

In line with the Welsh Government's 'Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021' requirement for all 730 Town and Community Councils in Wales to electronically publish the key information and the outcome of their Council meetings within 7 days of the meeting, Risca Town Council hereby publish an unnumbered and unsigned summary of the:

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council

The meeting was held with both in person and remote virtual availability on Monday 8 Sep 2025

Present: Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Ffion Green, Cllr Mike Wedderien and Cllr Louise Stephens

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

Heddlu Gwent Police Officers CSOs Sophie Aplin and Jason Harris were also in attendance

The Clerk reported that he had received no requests to join virtually.

Chair/Mayor Cllr Mike Parker chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.35 pm

A/ Apologies – County Cllr Bob Owen, and Cllr Tony Davies

B/ Presentations – The Mayor welcomed CSO Sophie Aplin as the new local Officer to the Town Council meeting. The Officers gave a summary of the Police reports in the Town area over the July and August months. Some incidents had been pursued with the perpetrators being remanded. The Mayor thanked the local Officers for their time and their work

C/ Declarations of Interest – None

D/ Residents' addresses - None

E/ Minutes of the Council meeting held on 14 July 2025

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

F/ County Members report – None

G/ Decisions made

G1 Finance Report

The Clerk's monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Clerk reported again that he had not received any news from

Audit Wales on the recently submitted the 2024/2025 'Basic' Audit Return papers

G2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

The Council further considered the recent financial assistance request from Risca Community School's Parent Teacher Association and agreed for the Clerk to donate £1000 to the Association. The Council also considered the recent applications for financial assistance from St David's Hospice and Cerebral Palsy Cymru. They agreed to donate £1000 to the St David's charity and £250 to the Cerebral Palsy charity. Another application from a dog charity was not supported as it was deemed to be outside the Risca community

G3 Community Topics

The Council were represented by Cllr Mike Wedderien at the recent Aneurin Bevan Board initiative meetings of 'Risca Decides'.

One local issue was discussed under Exempt Items as personal names for privacy are data protected

H/ Current Projects Summary

The Council were disappointed that the recent heavy rain meant their rearranged Bands in the Park event for Sunday 7 September with the Crosskeys Silver Band again had to be cancelled. The Council's Winter Fair is set for Saturday 22 November and the event planning is underway. More Winter Fair details will be available next month

I/ Planning Applications – the following planning applications were noted:

Case Ref. 25/0540/HH- 34 Ty-Isaf Park Road Pontymister, Case Ref.

25/0537/FULL- Tesco Extra Unit C and Case Ref. 25/0533/FULL- Madison Gardens St Mary Street

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

The full Minutes when agreed and signed will also be made available on the Council's website as soon as practically possible