

In line with the Welsh Government's 'Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021' requirement for all 735 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 13 Oct 2025

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

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

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 – Cllr Mike Wedderien

B/ Presentations – none. The Clerk reported that he had received an email and summary of the Police crime reports in the Town area over August and September and he noted that those numbers had been reduced

C/ Declarations of Interest – None

D/ Residents' addresses - None

E/ Minutes of the Council meeting held on 8 September 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 that Audit Wales on 26 September had completed the 2024/2025 'Basic' Audit Return papers and they had pointed out two administrative topics for the Council to address

G2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

The Council further considered the recent financial assistance request from Hope Rescue (caring for stray dogs in the local county boroughs) but the

request was not supported as it was deemed to be mostly for outside of the Risca community

G3 Community Topics

The Council raised and discussed the following local topics and the Clerk is to write to the Caerphilly County borough councillors: 1/ Residents at Maryland Road, Newport Road and in Ochryth Lane had complained about the recent, poor highway resurfacing that has taken place with reports of chippings and tarmac being treaded into homes, 2/ Any update on security lighting for the new car park off Commercial Street?, 3/ Residents had complained that a local business was parking vans in disabled bays, 4/ Any update on the renewal of lining in the Rugby club public car park?, 5/ Any progress on removing the derelict vans at the former Baths field (The Clerk is also to write to DVLA to complain about the vans), 6/ Can the Council see the recent CCBC survey data of pedestrians crossing Tredegar Street, please?

H/ Current Projects Summary

The Council are progressing their Winter Fair plans for Saturday 22 November and their 2025 Festive Lanterns project

I/ Planning Applications – the Council considered the following planning application and the Clerk is to respond to Caerphilly County borough council highlighting the Council's concern for the already stretched local services in the Town:

Case Ref. 25/0629/FULL : milsoj@caerphilly.gov.uk - Land at St Mary Street Risca NP11 6G Proposal: Demolish existing structures and construct 17 no. residential units including landscaping, access, parking, drainage and all associated works

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm

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