

## **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council**

**The meeting was held as a ‘hybrid meeting’, thus it was open as an in-person, indoors meeting at the Bethany Church Hall and available on request to the Clerk as a remote virtual meeting on Monday 9 Feb 2026**

**Present: Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Mike Wedderien, Cllr Tony Davies, and Cllr Charlotte Evans,**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

Local resident Antony Green was 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 6.30 pm**

**1327 Apologies and welcome** - Apologies were received from Cllr Ffion Green, Cllr Sally Davies, County Cllrs Bob Owen and Ceri Wright and the local Police. The Chair welcomed Antony Green who had applied for the Ward Member vacancy at Fernlea. The Council agreed for the Co-option of Antony to the Council and for the Clerk to make the necessary arrangements with Caerphilly CBC for him to take the Code of Conduct training

**1328 Presentation** – The Clerk reported that the local Police Officers had emailed him with a monthly crime reports update for January. The Council noted that crime reports were down and with only one Antisocial Behaviour report added. The Council wished to thank the Police for their update in the Town

**1329 Declarations of Interest** - None

**1330 Residents’ addresses** - None

**1331 Minutes of the full Council meeting held on 12 January 2026**

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

**1332 County Members updates** – None

**1333 Clerk’s Report**

### **1333.1 Finance**

The Clerk’s monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Council confirmed their commitment to pay £3600 for their next Winter Fair project for 21 November 2026 by ordering up a stage. The Council also confirmed their commitment to purchase up to four additional Festive Lanterns for Christmas 2026. The Council noted that the Risca Cancer Charity

group had decided to postpone their planned ‘Big Screen’ event until the summer of 2027 whilst they seek a suitable venue

**1333.2 Correspondence, financial assistance applications and Community Topics**

The Council are aware that Robyn Taylor is an applicant for a Governors’ vacancy at Risca Primary School as a representative of the Council and that Robyn intends to attend the March Council meeting to introduce herself. The Council discussed five local topics that the Clerk is to email to the two County Cllrs for them to investigate. The Council is still awaiting news from Caerphilly CBC on the recent Boundary Commission’s report recommendation for Risca to be reunified as one County Ward and one Community Council. The Council noted that a defibrillator had been returned and they will consider if any local group could house it for public use. The Clerk reported that the next TCCLC meeting is planned for Tuesday 24 February to be hosted by Blackwood Town Council

**1333.3 One Voice Wales/Town and Community Council Liaison Committee**

The next One Voice Wales Area Committee meeting is planned for mid April 2026. The spring TCCLC Joint meeting with CCBC is set for Monday 23 March 2026. At 7.30 pm Cllr Charlotte Evans left the meeting

**1334 Current Projects Summary**

Cllr Tony Davies reported that the Crosskeys Siver Band were considering the following three dates for the Town Council’s Bands in the Park event for this summer – Sun 14 June, Sun 12 July and Sun 9 August

Project				
A	New PA system	for use at outside events		3000
B	Summer flowers baskets and planters	Contract 2026		9000

**1335 Planning Applications** – the Council considered the following planning applications that were noted:

Case Ref. 26/0019/FULL, Case Ref. 26/0061/HH, Case Ref. 26/0043/HH and Case Ref. 26/0014/FULL

**1336 Exclusion of press and public** – None

**The meeting closed at 7.58 pm**

**Signed:**

**Date:**

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