



GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE
PONTYCYMMER LEISURE CENTRE ON MONDAY 15TH MAY 2017 AT 7.00 PM

Present: Councillor C G Andrews (Chair 2015/16)
Councillor H Griffiths (Incoming Chair)

Councillors:

R Clatworthy
J Davies
S Dendy
D Griffiths
W Hillier
M Jones
M Pinches
C Sage
R Stirman

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk
2 Members of the Public

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm and was initially chaired by Councillor Gareth Andrews, Chair 2015/16 up to minute 3A/18

ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL - 15TH MAY 2017

1A/18 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for Absence were received from: Councillors D Griffiths, C Lloyd and M Thomas.

2A/18 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

Councillor	Item	Interest
Mr M Jones	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Mrs R Stirman	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Ms S Dendy	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC

3A/18 TO NOMINATE AND ELECT A CHAIR FOR THE YEAR 2017/18

RESOLVED:

One nomination received: Cllr H Griffiths. With all Members present in agreement, it was resolved that Cllr H Griffiths is duly elected to be the Council's Chairman for the forthcoming year.

4A/18 TO APPOINT A VICE CHAIR FOR THE YEAR 2017/18

RESOLVED:

One nomination received: Cllr M Pinches. With all Members present in agreement, it was resolved that Cllr M Pinches is duly elected to be the Council's Vice-Chair for the forthcoming year.

5A/18 TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 16TH MAY 2016

RESOLVED:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16th May 2016 were accepted as a true and accurate record; with this, the Chairman duly signed the Minute Book.

6A/18 TO DETERMINE A TIME-TABLE OF MEETINGS FOR 2017/2018

RESOLVED:

It was agreed that the meetings for the coming year would continue to be held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7.00 pm and would be held on a rotational basis at Bettws Life Centre, Blaengarw Workmen's Hall and Pontycymer Leisure Centre. There would be no Ordinary Council Meetings held in August or December, although a Precept Meeting would be held on the suggested date of 4th December 2017.

7A/18 TO APPOINT COMMITTEES AND AGREE THEIR TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED:

It was resolved that the Staff Appointments Committee will comprise a Chairman plus one representative from each Ward. The Committee will be made up of the following Members:

Tbc - Chairman
Cllr D T Griffiths - Bettws
Cllr M Pinches - Llangeinor
Cllr Mrs H Griffiths - Pontycymer
Cllr G Andrews - Blaengarw

Terms of Reference: to deal with all matters relating to staff appointments

It was also resolved that the Staff Appointments Committee will also serve as the Disciplinary Committee.

Terms of Reference: to deal with all matters relating to discipline.

It was resolved that the Finance & Resources Committee will comprise a Chairman plus one representative from each Ward. It was resolved that Cllr J Davies would be appointed Chair and the Committee will be made up of the following Members:

Cllr J Davies - Chairman
Tbc
- Bettws
Cllr R Stirman - Llangeinor
Cllr Mrs H Griffiths - Pontycymer
Cllr C G Andrews - Blaengarw

Terms of Reference: A full review of the Council's operational and financial status to determine how to deal with the financial issues that the Council will face in determining its precepts. The Committee acts in an advisory capacity to the Full Council with no decision making powers.

8A/18 TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES

It was agreed that the following would be representatives for the year 2017/18:

School Governor Tynyrheol Primary School - Councillor R Stirman
One Voice Wales Area Committee Meetings - Councillors R Clatworthy & S Dendy
BCBC Town & Community Council Forum - Councillor Clive Sage

9A/18 TO CONFIRM THE CHAIRMAN'S ALLOWANCE

RESOLVED:

It was agreed that the Chairman's Allowance would remain at £1,000 as agreed at the December 2016 Precept Meeting.

NOTES:

It was agreed that Mr Wyn Davies of 12 Glan-yr-Afon, Cwmfelin, Maesteg CF34 9HU would be engaged as the Internal Auditor for 2017/2018.

Note:

The full council agreed to adopt the Code of Conduct for the coming year as shown on the Declaration of Acceptance of Office signed prior to the meeting.

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the Meeting at 7.25 pm