



GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD AT
HALO LEISURE PONTYCYMER ON 6TH NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.00PM

Present: Councillor H Griffiths (Finance Committee Chair)

Councillors: C G Andrews
R Stirman

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO

Apologies: Councillor R Jones

FR09/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Roz Stirman declared an interest as a Member of BCBC.

FR10/18 **TO APPOINT A CHAIR**

Following Councillor J Davies' resignation from the Council, Councillor Rees Jones was elected as the Bettws ward representative on the Finance Committee. Councillor Davies' resignation left the Committee without a Chair and it was proposed that Councillor H Griffiths be elected Chair, this was seconded and Councillor Griffiths was successfully elected.

FR11/18 **TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10TH JULY 2018**

Resolved: The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2018 were accepted as a true and accurate record; with this, the Chairman duly signed the Minute Book.

FR012/18 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE JULY 2018 MEETING**

Resolved: There were no Matters Arising.

FR13/18 **TO REVIEW THE COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND IDENTIFY ANY POTENTIAL RISKS**

The Clerk presented the up-to-date budget monitoring figures and these were discussed. The balance carried forward to November 2018 was £89,743.44

Resolved: The explanations were noted and the figures accepted. There were no budget risks identified.

FR014/18 **TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S PRECEPT REQUEST FOR 2019/2020**

Items approved at Full Council put forward by the Strategy Committee were accepted and included in the draft precept. In addition other suggestions were made and discussed and members proposed a draft precept budget to be put before Full Council at its 3rd December Precept Meeting. The Clerk tabled a document showing the previous year's precept breakdown and it was noted that the Band D figure was not yet available.

Resolved: The Clerk was asked to draft a precept budget based on the discussion and suggestions made to present to Full Council.

FR015/18 TO CONSIDER THE 2019/20 ALLOCATION UNDER THE TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL FUND

Suggestions were made and discussed.

Resolved: It was agreed to recommend to Full Council to apply for match funding to upgrade the play area at Waun Bant in Pontycymer to include flower displays, new bins, painting of the fence and gates, cleaning, inclusion of additional equipment i.e provision for disabled equipment.

FR16/18 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

No items were suggested.

Resolved: With the Chair's agreement it was agreed to keep this open to include anything that may arise in the time between meetings.

FR17/18 TO AGREE THE DATE AND LOCATION FOR THE NEXT FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

Resolved: The Committee will next meet in early 2019 prior to the Council's February Meeting - date, time and venue tbc.

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.03pm