



GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY 22nd
SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 6.00 PM

Present: Councillor S Dendy (Outgoing Chair 2019/20)
Councillor C Lloyd (Incoming Chair 2020/21)

Councillors:

R Clatworthy
C Gillard-Sage
G Lloyd
R Stirman
M Thomas (left the meeting at 6.12 pm)

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk

The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm and was initially chaired by Councillor Sorrel Dendy, Chair 2019/20 up to minute 3A/21.

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Councillor Dendy gave the Council's condolences to Councillor M Thomas, for the loss of her father, George Davies, who had been a valued member of the Garw Valley Community Council for many years.

1A/21 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for Absence were received from: Councillors G Andrews, H Griffiths, M Jones and M Trowbridge.

No apologies were received from Councillors R Jones or G Walters

2A/21 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

Councillor	Item	Interest
Ms S Dendy	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Mrs R Stirman	All Bridgend County Borough Matters Llangeinor FC	Member BCBC Spouse of Member

3A/21 TO NOMINATE AND ELECT A CHAIR FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR 2020/21

One nomination was proposed - Bettws Ward Councillor Christine Lloyd.

Councillor Sorrel Dendy welcomed Councillor Lloyd in her role as Chair of Council and Councillor Lloyd thanked Councillor Dendy for all her hard work over the last year and during the pandemic.

RESOLVED: Councillor Christine Lloyd was unanimously elected as Chair of Council for the remainder of the year 2020/21.

4A/21 TO APPOINT A VICE CHAIR FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR 2020/21

One nomination was proposed - Pontycymer Ward Councillor Heather Griffiths.

RESOLVED: Councillor Heather Griffiths was unanimously elected as Vice-Chair of Council for the remainder of the year 2020/21. As per point 5e of the Council's Standing Orders, Councillor Griffiths will be the in-coming Chair for 2021/22.

5A/21 TO NOTE THE APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MAY 2019 AS AN AIDE MEMOIRE

The Minutes were received and noted.

6A/21 TO DETERMINE A TIME-TABLE OF MEETINGS FOR 2020/2021

RESOLVED:

It was agreed that the meetings for the year ahead would continue to be held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 6.30 pm and would be held on a rotational basis at Blaengarw Workmen's Hall, Pontycymer Leisure Centre, Bettws Life Centre and Llangeinor FC. There would be no Ordinary Council Meetings held in August or December, although a Precept Meeting would be held in December.

It was also agreed that whilst the COVID-19 guidelines are in place and it is not possible for meetings to be held on a physical basis, that the meetings would continue via Zoom.

An up to date list of meetings had been circulated to Members.

7A/21 TO APPOINT COMMITTEES AND AGREE THEIR TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED:

Finance & Resources Committee:

The Terms of Reference would remain unchanged. The Committee will be made up of the following Members:

Cllr R Jones	- Bettws
Cllr G Lloyd	- Llangeinor
Cllr Mrs H Griffiths	- Pontycymer
Cllr C G Andrews	- Blaengarw

Events Committee:

The Terms of Reference would remain unchanged. The Committee will be made up of the following Members:

Cllr H Griffiths	- Pontycymer
Cllr R Clatworthy	- Pontycymer
Cllr R Stirman	- No representative
Cllr C Lloyd	- Bettws
Cllr S Dendy	- Blaengarw

Staff Appointments Committee:

The Terms of Reference would remain unchanged. The Committee will be made up of the following Members

Cllr H Griffiths	- Pontycymer
Cllr M Trowbridge	- Bettws
Cllr R Stirman	- Llangeinor
Cllr G Andrews	- Blaengarw

Disciplinary Committee:

It was also resolved that the Staff Appointments Committee will also serve as the Disciplinary Committee to meet when necessary to deal with all matters relating to staff discipline.

8A/21 TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES

It was agreed that the following would be representatives for the year 2020/21:

- One Voice Wales Area Committee - Cllr R Clatworthy
- One Voice Wales Larger Councils Committee - Chair if the Council feels attendance is required
- One Voice Wales Conferences - Chair if the Council feels attendance is required
- Town & Community Council Forum - Cllr S Dendy

9A/21 TO NOTE THE AGREED CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR ALLOWANCE AS AGREED AT THE DECEMBER 2019 PRECEPT MEETING

RESOLVED:

It was noted that allowances would be paid in line with the amounts set out in the above meeting and in the timescales agreed in the Allowances Policy.

It was noted that no allowance would be paid to the Vice-Chair as previously agreed.

10A/21 TO APPOINT THE INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/21

RESOLVED:

It was agreed to appoint Mr Wyn Davies, MBE to carry out the Internal Audit work for the financial year ending 31st March 2021.

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Note:

The full council agreed to adopt the Code of Conduct for the coming year as shown on their Declaration of Acceptance of Offices signed when they accepted their position as Councillors.

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 6.16 pm