

Draft Summary of the Ordinary Meeting of the Garw Valley Community Council held on Monday 26th September 2022 at Blaengarw Workmen's Hall and via Zoom

Attendance:

Councillors D Davies, William Davies, H Griffiths, M Jones, *R Jones (from 6.44 pm), C Lloyd, M Thomas, M Trowbridge and G Walters (there is currently one vacancy on the council)

Apologies:

Councillors G Andrews, J Coles and M Lewis.

Declarations of Interest:

Councillor	Item	Interest
D Davies	Tynyrheol Primary School	Vice-Chair of Governors
C Lloyd	Tynyrheol Primary School	Governor
H Griffiths	All Bridgend County Borough Matters Ysgol Cymunedol y Dderwen Ffaldau Primary School	Member Governor Chair of Governors
M Jones	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member

Minute Number	Agenda Item	Action
58/22-23	To Receive Apologies for Absence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">As above
59/22-23	To Receive Declarations of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none">As above
60/22-23	To Approve the Minutes of the July Ordinary Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The minutes were approved and were signed by the Chair of the Meeting.
61/22-23	To Consider Matters Arising from the July 2022 Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The information was noted.It was unanimously agreed not to go ahead with the tree work to Railway Terrace.It was unanimously approved that Councillor Coles makes the grant funding application for the footpaths in the park and that the budget line will be increased by £1,000 from the General Reserve budget line to provide match funding.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Clerk was asked to seek permission to install a jubilee bench at Dan y Mynydd.
62/22-23	To Receive the Crime Figures for June and July 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The crime figures for July 2022 were not available by the meeting date. The Clerk was asked to write to the Police & Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable to request a permanent presence in the valley at Pontycymer police station.
63/22-23	Co-option Bettws Ward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was noted.
64/22-23	Events Committee Vacancy Bettws Ward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Councillor Rees Jones was nominated to fill the vacancy, which he accepted. A vote was taken and he was unanimously elected.
65/22-23	Christmas 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Clerk was asked to contact Centre Great to make the request about viewing trees. The Clerk was asked to confirm primary school children numbers including those children from Bettws who attend Brynmenyn and St Robert's schools.
66/22-23	Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed that the Clerk would put a statement on the Council's website explaining why the lakes can't be de-silted.
67/22-23	Finance & Governance Toolkit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was proposed that this item be discussed by the Finance Committee for them to make recommendations to full council and this was unanimously agreed.
68/22-23	Finance & Accounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The payments for August and September 2022 were approved and authority was given to make the payments. The Clerk was asked to look again at Nat West.
69/22-23	Borough Council Updates/Ward Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The updates were noted. The Clerk would arrange to meet with Councillor M Jones and the resident and write to him. The Clerk would also request more waymarkers be installed on the footpath near the wind farm by the Rights of Way department at BCBC. It was agreed that the schoolchildren could attend a future meeting.
70/22-23	Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was noted.
71/22-23	Clerk's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All information was noted.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Clerk was asked to put a notice on the website in regard to the Council's policy for use of the lakes. • The quote for the bridge work was accepted and the Clerk was asked to engage the services of the contractor. • The Bettws Councillors asked the Clerk to purchase another remembrance wreath for them to place on the Lest We Forget bench in Bettws. • The Clerk was asked to invite Halo Leisure to the November meeting and invite the developer of the Ffaldau Arms to a future meeting. It was agreed that no cover would be sought for the bin emptying if the Warden is away
72/22-23	Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All correspondence was noted.
73/22-23	Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No objections were made to the planning applications, the other information was noted.
74/22-23	Items for the October 2022 Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The agenda would be kept open for items to be added in the month. Items to be included to date are: • Invite Halo to the meeting for feedback on the summer activity scheme • Invite Ffaldau Primary School to the meeting to give a presentation at their request. • Invite the developer of the Ffaldau Arms to the meeting. • The date for the next meeting is Monday 17th October 2022 at Blaengarw Workmen's Hall and via Zoom at 6.30 pm.