

Draft Summary of the Ordinary Meeting of the Garw Valley Community Council
held on Monday 17th July 2023 at the William Trigg Centre, Blaengarw
and via Zoom

Attendance:

Councillors G Andrews (Chair), W Davies, H Griffiths, N Harwood-Scorer, M Jones, M Lewis, C Lloyd , M Trowbridge , G Walters

*via zoom

Apologies: Councillor D Davies

No Apologies: Councillor J Coles, R Jones and M Thomas

Declarations of Interest:

| Councillor | Item | Interest |
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| M Lewis | All Bridgend County Borough Matters | Member |
| 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 |
| N Harwood-Scorer | Ffaldau Industrial Estate Units | Proprietor |

| Minute Number | Agenda Item | Action |
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| 33/23-24 | To Receive Apologies for Absence | <ul style="list-style-type: none">As above |
| 34/23-24 | To Receive Declarations of Interest | <ul style="list-style-type: none">As above |
| 35/23-24 | To Approve the Minutes of the June 2023 Ordinary Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Minutes of the June 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting were approved and signed by the Chair. |
| 36/23-24 | To Consider Matters Arising from the June 2023 Meeting Minutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none">The information was noted.The Clerk was asked to contact Centre Great again. |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was unanimously agreed to accept the quote of £450 excl. vat from ARB Cymru for the tree maintenance. • Item 8 will set out the criteria for financial requests for sports teams. • It was noted that Llangeinor FC had not returned their financial assistance form and therefore did not meet the criteria. |
| 37/23-24 | To Receive the Crime Figures for June 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that the figures were lower in June than previous months. |
| 38/23-24 | Community Award - SW Fire Service | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was unanimously agreed to award the South Wales Fire Service with the Community Award for 2022. |
| 39/23-24 | Ogmore Valley Silver Band | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Jones' proposal was seconded and unanimously approved. • The Clerk would arrange an Events Committee meeting to make the arrangements and report to full council in September. |
| 40/23-24 | Sponsorship Policy for Sports Teams | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed that the requests received and future requests would need to meet the following criteria and a limit of £500 per team per year was set: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Complete a financial assistance form. ➤ Encourage diversity ie the club must have both male and female teams and be inclusive. ➤ The Community Council purchases the kit. ➤ There is GVCC branding on the kit. <p>Note: It was noted that Llangeinor FC had not returned their financial assistance form and did not meet the criteria.</p> |
| 41/23-24 | Blaengarw Primary School Allotment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was unanimously agreed that the school could use this area of land, subject to the Clerk checking the lease to ensure this was permissible. |
| 42/23-24 | Finance & Accounts including Internal Audit and Audit Statement for the year ending 31 st March 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorisation was given for all payments on the sheets presented. • The Audit Statement and the Internal Auditor's Report was unanimously accepted, approved and authorised. • The RFO and Chair signed the audit statement. |
| 43/23-24 | Borough Council Updates/Ward Reports | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The updates were noted. • The Clerk was asked to send a Financial Assistance form to Bettws OAP Group and Bettws FC. |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Neal Harwood-Scorer was asked to let Bettws FC know that there is an option to hire a portacabin. • The Council agreed in principle that the Bettws Ward should support Bettws FC's request and to ensure they're aware that they need to check whether they will need planning permission. |
| 44/23-24 | Chair's Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information was noted. |
| 45/23-24 | Clerk's Report including Warden's Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information was noted. • It was unanimously agreed that the work to the turning should go ahead and the quote obtained on 1st February 2023 was accepted. • It was also accepted that there may have been an increase in the quote as almost 6 months has now passed. • It was agreed to include BCBC's Electoral Arrangement Review on the September agenda and that Members should pass on their suggestions, comments or observations to the Clerk by 20th August to collate the notes in time for the September meeting. • The Clerk's leave was noted. • The Clerk was asked to provide all Members with another electronic copy of the Rights of Way footpath map. |
| 46/23-24 | Correspondence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All correspondence was noted. • The Clerk was asked to check if the hedgerow was on the Council's land and if so arrange for it to be cut back. • The Clerk was asked to suggest two locations for the Child Leukaemia Foundation Clothes Bank and to approach those businesses direct; they are the surgery area in Pontcymmer and the Richard Price Centre. |
| 47/23-24 | Planning Matters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All information received was noted. • There were no observations. |
| 48/23/24 | Items for the September 2023 Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pump Park Parc Calon Lan (ML) ➤ Community Award Presentation 2022 ➤ Events Committee Update ➤ BCBC Electoral Arrangement Review • The agenda would be kept open for items to be added in the month. • The date for the next meeting is Monday 18th September 2023 at 6.30 |

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