

**Draft Summary of the Ordinary Meeting of the Garw Valley Community Council
held on Monday 16th October 2023 at Blaengarw Workmen's Hall, Blaengarw
and via Zoom**

Attendance:

Councillors D Davies, W Davies, H Griffiths (Acting Chair), N Harwood-Scorer (from 7.02 pm), M Lewis, C Lloyd , G Walters (internet signal fail)

Apologies: Councillors G Andrews (Chair), J Coles, M Jones and M Trowbridge

No Apologies: Councillors R Jones and M Thomas

Declarations of Interest:

| Councillor | Item | Interest |
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| D Davies | Richard Price Centre | Director |
| 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 |

| Minute Number | Agenda Item | Action |
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| 69/23-24 | To Receive Apologies for Absence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above |
| 70/23-24 | To Receive Declarations of Interest | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above |
| 71/23-24 | To Receive Rhian Thomas, Halo Leisure Ref. Garw Valley Active for Life Scheme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Clerk was asked to include the scheme on the November agenda for further discussion on the financial support for 2024, that the 6 week scheme paid for in 2023 was only held for 5 weeks, that provision for Llangeinor is not included in the scheme and that the Bettws scheme for 2024 will only be on a 3 day a week basis. |
| 72/23-24 | To Approve the Minutes of the September 2023 Minutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Minutes of the September 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting were approved and signed by the Chair. |

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| 73/23-24 | To Consider Matters Arising from the September 2023 Meeting Minutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information was noted. • It was unanimously agreed that members would attend the Pontycymer Fire Station opening to present the awards. • The Clerk was given authority to get the willow tree at Prospect Place removed; she would issue letters to the residents prior to the work taking place. • The Clerk was given authority to accept the Salix quote and for the work to be carried out. |
| 74/23-24 | To Receive the Crime Figures for September and 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information was noted. • The Clerk was asked to write to the perpetrator to reiterate that he should refrain from entering the council's leased land. |
| 75/23-24 | Community Concert Update | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Deb Davies was thanked for her work on the draft poster; the final version would be approved by the Events Committee given the time constrictions between the next council meeting and the concert. • It was unanimously agreed that the tickets would be divided between wards, and then divided between councillors to issue on a first come basis. |
| 76/23-24 | Draft Training Plan 2023/24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Draft Training Plan was discussed and unanimously agreed. • The Clerk was asked to publish it on the council's website. |
| 77/23-24 | Finance & Accounts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorisation was given for all payments on the sheets presented. • It was unanimously agreed that as the audit 2021/22 outcome was some time ago, no further action would be taken and the outcome would be accepted. • All other information was noted. |
| 78/23-24 | Borough Council Updates/Ward Reports | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The updates were noted. • The Clerk was asked to deal with the bigger bin issue raised for Llangeinor. |

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| 79/23-24 | Chair's Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was noted. |
| 80/23-24 | Clerk's Report including Warden's Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information and action of the Clerk was noted and approved. |
| 81/23-24 | Correspondence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All correspondence was noted. The Clerk was asked to defer the Wales Air Ambulance financial support request to March 2024, the Clerk's explanation to Bettws FC regarding the number of financial applications that can be granted in a year was approved and the Clerk was asked to add the D-Day Anniversary to the next Events Committee meeting agenda. |
| 82/23-24 | Planning Matters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All information received was noted. There were no observations. |
| 83/223/24 | Items for the November 2023 Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The date for the next meeting is Monday 20th November 2023 at 6.30 pm and will take place at the Richard Price Centre, Llangeinor and via zoom. Ideas to include in the Precept Budget for 2024/25 (All) IRPW Draft Report and other Matters Portacabin finance for CAT transfers Garw Valley Active for Life Scheme 2023 and 2024 <p>The agenda would be kept open for items to be added in the month.</p> |