

**Draft Summary of the Ordinary Meeting of the Garw Valley Community Council
held on Monday 20th November 2023 at the Richard Price Centre, Llangeinor
and via Zoom**

Attendance:

Councillors G Andrews (Chair), J Coles, D Davies, W Davies, H Griffiths N Harwood-Scorer, M Jones, R Jones, C Lloyd , M Trowbridge and G Walters

Apologies: Councillors H Griffiths, M Lewis and M Thomas

Declarations of Interest:

Councillor	Item	Interest
D Davies	Richard Price Centre	Director
M Lewis	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member
C Lloyd	Tynyrheol Primary School	Governor

Minute Number	Agenda Item	Action
84/23-24	To Receive Apologies for Absence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above
85/23-24	To Receive Declarations of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above
86/23-24	To Receive Amanda Evans of Menter Bro Ogwr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was noted. The Clerk was asked to pass on Amanda Evans' contact details to Councillor J Coles.
87/23-24	To Approve the Minutes of the October 2023 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Minutes of the October 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting were approved and signed by the Chair.
88/23-24	To Consider Matters Arising from the October 2023 Meeting Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information and action of the Clerk was noted and approved. Councillors M Jones and N Harwood-Scorer offered to volunteer on the door on the night of the concert. Councillors D Davies and C Lloyd would be running the refreshment area, Councillor G Andrews will welcome the audience and performers, Councillor G Andrews and H Griffiths will thank the audience and performers for their attendance

		and present gifts to the Accompanist and Musical Directors. Other councillors would also be present to help. Councillors J Coles and M Trowbridge gave their apologies.
89/23-24	To Receive the Crime Figures for October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was noted.
90/23-24	Events Committee Update and Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All recommendations to Full Council on the Christmas Concert Light Walk and D-Day 80th Anniversary were accepted and approved.
91/23-24	Ideas to Include in the Precept Budget for 2024/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the ideas were agreed. It was noted that the bank along Garregside, the repair to the base of the war memorial and the installation of the benches and bins at the Strand could be carried out by the Warden. The Clerk was asked to find out information of the CATs being progressed in the valley, compare precepts with other councils in the borough and forecast year-end figures.
92/23-24	IRPW Draft Report and Other Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was noted. Councillor Allowances and Consumables is not taxable from 2024 onwards.
93/23-24	Portacabin/Container Financial Support Request	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Clerk was asked to request further information from SBGC ie the amount requested, to confirm that they have a girl's team etc.
94/23-24	Garw Valley Active for Life Scheme 2023 and 2024	<p>The following were unanimously agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the Clerk would request a reduced invoice from Halo for 2023 to reflect the 5 weeks not 6 weeks' provision in Bettws. To include funding of £9,650 in the 2024/25 precept budget. To inform Halo that they want 5 days provision in Bettws to continue.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That as the RP Centre has opted out of the Halo provision that any future funding requests would be considered out of Llangeinor ward funds.
94/23-24	Finance & Accounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorisation was given for all payments on the sheets presented • All information was noted.
95/23-24	Borough Council Updates/Ward Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The updates were noted. • Councillor M Jones would request a meeting for all Community Councillors with the commissioned consultants. • The Clerk would send out a copy of the REACH report commissioned some time ago for the valley.
96/23-24	Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report given.
97/23-24	Clerk's Report including Warden's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information and action of the Clerk was noted. • It was unanimously agreed in principle to accept the offer, though there were questions to be asked regarding the workspace opening and locking etc and the Clerk was asked to include this for further discussions and updates on the January 2024 agenda. • The Clerk was asked to include T&CC Grant Funding on the January 2024 agenda. • The National Pay Agreement was accepted and the changes to the Clerk's salary, backdated to 1st April 2023 was unanimously accepted and approved in line with her contract of employment. • The Clerk would ask the Warden to plant the Blaengarw bulbs in Parc Calon Lan.
98/23-24	Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All correspondence was noted. • The Clerk was asked to defer the financial support request from CISS to the March 2024 meeting. • The request to include a home pet euthanasia service was agreed subject to further investigation.
99/23-24	Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All information received was noted. • There were no observations.

100/223/24	Urgent items for the December 2023 Precept Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The agenda would be kept open for urgent items to be added in the month.• The date for the next meeting is Monday 4th December 2023 at the earlier time of 5.30 pm and will take place at the Richard Price Centre, Llangeinor and via zoom.
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