

## **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council**

**The meeting was held as a 'hybrid meeting', thus it was open as an in-person, indoors meeting at the Bethany Church Hall and available on request as a remote virtual meeting on Monday 15 May 2023**

**Present: Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Clare Evans-Powell and Cllr Ffion Green**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

County Cllr Ceri Wright, Louise Jenkins and Lauren Jones of Heddlu Gwent Police were also in attendance

The Clerk reported that he had received no requests to join virtually

**Chair/Mayor Cllr Sally Davies chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.15 pm**

### **1027 Apologies**

Cllr Joy Parsons and County Cllr Bob Owen

### **1028 Presentations**

Heddlu Gwent Police Officer Louise Jenkins gave the Council a summary of their recent activities in the Town

### **1029 Declarations of Interest**

None

### **1030 Residents' addresses**

None

### **1031 Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Mon 17 April 2023**

The meeting agreed the minutes that were duly signed as a true and correct record

### **1032 County Cllrs Updates**

County Cllr Ceri Wright highlighting her recent activities and concerns in the Town to include CCBC's plans to review their waste management process

### **1033 Clerk's Report**

#### **1033.1 Finance**

The Clerk's monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council

### 1033.2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

The Council agreed for the Clerk to formally respond to those local businesses that had contributed to the cost of the new Festive Lanterns project for 2023. The Council agreed for the Clerk to donate £250 to the recently received request to financially assist the SSAFA armed forces charity

### 1033.3 One Voice Wales/Town and Community Council Liaison Committee

The next Town and Community Councils meeting is set for Tues 20 June. The next OVW Area meeting is set for Wed 26 July

### 1034 Current Projects Summary

The Council noted the success of its Spring Fair in Tredegar Park, Risca to celebrate the King's Coronation that was held on Saturday 6 May (despite the heavy rain beforehand). However, the Council were disappointed to hear a report from an event volunteer that a Town Councillor was verbally abusive and offensive to volunteers on occasions during that day. The Clerk reminded the Councillors of their responsibility to their Code of Conduct that each had signed up to

The Clerk reported that he is still awaiting a cost estimate from CCBC Parks for the erection of a new flagpole in the Darren Remembrance Gardens. This project is to be jointly funded with Risca East community council

Project No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amount Paid	Amount Pledged
A	A new flagpole at Darren Gardens	New flagpole estimate of £1200 awaiting erection cost form CCBC Parks – Jointly funded with Risca East CC		
B	2023 summer baskets and planters	Contract is underway		7000
C	Bands in the Park	Sunday 23 July		600

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**1035 Planning Applications**

None

**1036 Exclusion of press and public**

None

**The meeting closed at 8.00 pm**

**Signed:**

**Date:**

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