

## **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 to the Clerk as a remote virtual meeting on Monday 9 Nov 2024**

**Present: Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Ffion Green, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Tony Davies and Cllr Mike Wedderien**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

County Cllr Bob Owen was also in attendance

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

**Chair/Mayor Cllr Mike Parker chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.30 pm**

**1187 Apologies - Cllr Clare Evans-Powell**

**1188 Presentations - None**

**1189 Declarations of Interest - None**

**1190 Residents’ addresses - None**

**1191 Minutes of the full Council meeting held on 14 Oct 2024**

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

**1192 County Members updates –** County Cllr Bob Owen updated the Council on local issues. The re-opening of the car park off Commercial Steet was welcomed in the Town. He had arranged a Banking Hub meeting for the community on 14 November

**1193 Clerk’s Report**

### **1193.1 Finance**

The Clerk’s monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Clerk reported that the half year Internal Audit had been successfully carried out. The Clerk presented an early budget and precept report for 2025/26 for the Council to consider and to decide upon at their December Council meeting

### **1193.2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications**

The Council agreed to make a donation of £250 to Air Ambulance Wales and for the Clerk to send Stephen Lyons the Town’s financial assistance application forms. The Clerk is to write to Heddlu Gwent Police to thank them for the recent repair to the boundary wall on Tredegar Street between the Police Station and Tredegar Park, Risca

### 1193.3 One Voice Wales/Town and Community Council Liaison Committee

The TCCLC Joint meeting with CCBC is set for Monday 18 November 2024 at the CCBC at the Ty Penallta Offices, Tredomen. The OVW Area winter meeting is due in January 2025

### 1194 Current Projects Summary

The Chair reported that the Remembrance Concert over the weekend was very successful. The Town Council is looking forward to its 2024 Festive Lanterns project and its Winter Fair/Christmas Tree lighting switch on event, set for Saturday 23 November 2024. The Council agreed to pay St John's Ambulance a fee of £180 for their medical assistance at the Winter Fair

Project				
A	Summer flower baskets and planters	Set out in the Town from mid June to mid September		8000
B	2024 Festive lanterns project	Erection of 41 lanterns on street plus one in the park (plus energy)		5000
C	2024 additional lanterns	6 new lanterns to be purchased plus a large lantern for use near the tree in the park plus fittings	5762 3745 1029 330	11000
D	2024 Winter Fair/Christmas Tree switch on event and new Christmas Tree lights	Entertainment deposit paid	88	11000
E	New PA system	for use at outside events		3000

### 1195 Planning Applications - None

### 1196 Exclusion of press and public – None

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Signed:

Date: