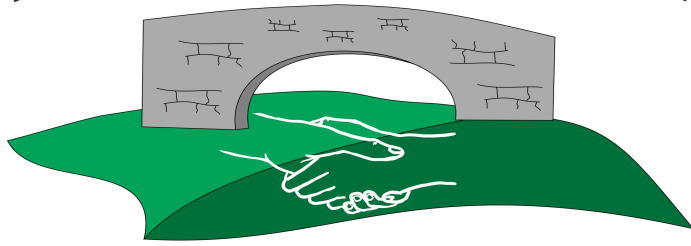


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Minutes of the meeting of Risca East Community Council held on 20th October 2016.

422. To sign the register and to receive apologies.

422.1. Community Councillors present: Arianna Passmore, Rob Derraven, Cliff Edwards, Matthew Farrell, Nigel George and Shirley Hobbs,

422.2. Apologies were received from John Blackburn, Mary Coles and Maureen Jenkins.

423. To receive a report from the Police.

423.1. No Police officer was present.

424. To receive representations from members of the public.

424.1. There were no members of the public present.

425. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th September 2016 were **agreed**.

426. Matters Arising

426.1. Minute 414.1 – The Clerk confirmed that he had written to Caerphilly County Borough Council Housing Department seeking approval for the provision of “No Ball Games” signs. He confirmed that he had also sent a copy of the letter to the ladies who had attended the previous meeting.

427. To receive the Clerk’s Report

427.1. The Clerk provided the financial statement as at 20th October 2016 which showed a total spend of £18,326.24 with income of £24,717.50. The bank balance was £42,212.55.

427.2. The financial statement included budget monitoring information which showed projected variations on the following items:-

- Clerk’s Salary - £38 – previously agreed
- Notice Boards - £145 increase – previously agreed
- Ty Sign SRIC Project - £5,000 increase – previously agreed
- Christmas Decorations - £2,600 increase – previously agreed
- Christmas Tree - £500 saving – the Community Council had agreed to no longer contribute toward the cost of the tree in Risca Town Park.
- Poppy Planting - £377.93 increase – previously agreed
- Music Festival - £2,000 underspend – previously agreed

- Community Project Fund Overspend
 - Mayor's Charity - £500
 - AFC Twmbarlwm - £1,479.11
 - HCPT Group - £2,000
 - Risca United AFC - £1,600.00
- Ty Sign Skate Board Park - £15,000 overspend – minute 418.10 agreed to make a contribution toward the cost
- Panto - £1,830 increase – revised estimate from Risca Town Council
- Park Toilets - £346.50 increase – no estimate originally included in the budget
- RBL Insurance - £144.50 increase - no estimate originally included in the budget
- The Council noted the Clerk's report and **agreed** the variations to the original budget.

427.3. The Clerk reported that he had purchased a new Apple MacBook computer which was not fitted with a CD/DVD drive. He requested that the Community Council contribute toward the cost of purchasing the CD/DVD drive. It was **agreed** that the Council purchase the CD/DVD drive at a cost of £65.00 inc VAT.

428. The Clerk's schedule of correspondence was received and the actions **agreed**.

428.1. Item 428.6 – St David's Church Community Action Group – Cllr Shirley Hobbs declared an interest and left the meeting. The organisation had supplied details of its income and expenditure for the last year. After a brief discussion it was agreed to contribute £200 toward the cost of the room hire. The Council further agreed to purchase the table tennis table at an estimated cost of £350. Cllr Shirley Hobbs rejoined the meeting.

428.2. Item 428.7 – Twmbarlwm AFC – the new Secretary provided a written update of the team's success to date.

429. To receive a report from Councillor Nigel George.

429.1. Councillor George reported that the Borough Council was clearing out the canal. He also reported on the progress of the WHQS work being carried out on council houses on the Ty Sign estate. He asked that councillors report to him any problems with workmen on the site relating to the WHQS work.

429.2. Members of the Forsythia Close Residents Association had contacted Cllr George regarding the problem of missing refuse bins. After a brief discussion, it was agreed in principle that the Community Council contribute toward the cost of purchasing second hand bins.

429.3. Cllr Shirley Hobbs asked whether a completion date was known for the implementation of the 20 mph speed limit zone around Ty Sign School. Cllr George confirmed that it should be completed by Christmas. Cllr Hobbs also asked whether the "lollypop" lady was being replaced. Cllr George confirmed that she was being replaced.

430. Local Issues

430.1. Ty Sign Ward – Cllr Rob Derraven said that there were not enough "dog poo bins" on the estate.

430.2. Pontymister Upper Ward – nothing to report

430.3. Trenowydd Ward – Cllr Cliff Edwards reminded the meeting of the forthcoming Armistice Concert on 11th November.

431.To consider Planning Applications

431.1. 16/0787/FULL – 86 Manor Way, Ty Sign – demolish existing conservatory to rear of property and erect two storey extension

431.2. 16/0824/FULL – 5 Moriah Mews, Risca – erect single storey dining room extension to rear of property

Signed.....Chairman 17th November 2016