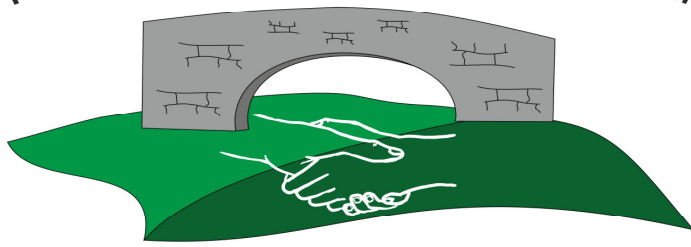


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Minutes of the meeting of Risca East Community Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015.

265. To sign the register and to receive apologies

265.1. Community Councillors present: Chairman John Blackburn, Cliff Edwards, Nigel George, Shirley Hobbs, Maureen Jenkins Matthew Farrell and Arianna Passmore.

265.2. Apologies were received from Mary Coles and Darren Hobbs

266. To receive a report from the Police representative – not present.

267. To receive representations from members of the public – not present

268. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015 were **agreed**.

269. Matters arising:

269.1. Minute 235.2 – erection of blue plaque – Cllr George agreed to pass contact details on to Cllr Blackburn

269.2. Minute 246.2 – Cllr George to raise the question of CRB checks for school governors with the CEO of Caerphilly County Borough Council.

269.3. Minute 256.2 – Joint Risca East/ Risca Town Council meeting. The new Chairs should meet to discuss the constitution of the joint meetings.

Young Citizens Award. It was felt that this should recognize effort; behaviour within the community; charity work; caring for parents; etc. Nominations could be received from individuals, schools, youth clubs and other organisations. The suggested age group was 5 to 21. An award ceremony would be held at the end of the year. The awards should be for Primary School age 5 to 11 and Secondary School/young adult age 12 to 21. It was suggested that the Events Committee (agreed at last Joint meeting) would organise the presentation ceremony and possibly invite a celebrity to make the awards. After a further discussion it was agreed that a maximum of 6 awards would be made per year. A suggested prize value per award of £150 was agreed. (The cost would equate to £450 per Council plus the cost of organising the ceremony). It was agreed that a cash prize would not be given but the prize would be tailored to suit the award winner. A plaque/framed certificate/shield would also be presented to each winner.

270.To receive the Clerk’s Report

270.1.The Clerk provided an analysis of income and expenditure and confirmed a bank balance of £35,605.26 as at 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015. The report was **accepted**.

270.2. Request for financial assistance from the Applause Group

The Clerk read out the application details. It was noted that the statement of Income and Expenditure had not been completed and also the location of the Group stated. It was agreed that the Clerk write to the Principal requesting the missing information.

271. The Clerk’s schedule of correspondence was received and actions **agreed**.

272. To receive a report from Councillor Nigel George

272.1.Cllr George reported that he had attend several meetings regarding the demolition and improvements of the Ty Sign Garages. He also reported that the Rowcorde factory was planning to re-open.

273.Local Issues

273.1.Ty Sign Ward – nothing raised

273.2.Pontymister Upper Ward – nothing raised

273.3. Trenewydd Ward – Cllr Edwards referred to the One Voice Wales meeting that he attended. A discussion had taken place regarding the co-opting of young people on to Community and Town Councils. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that the Head Boy/Head Girl from Risca Comprehensive School could be invited to attend the Community Council meetings. It was agreed to discuss this in more detail at the next meeting.

274.To consider Planning Applications

274.1.15/0189/FULL – 1 Cotswold Way, Trenewydd Park, - Erect single storey side and rear extension

Signed.....Chairman 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015