

CAERPHILLY

TOWN

COUNCIL



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**TOWN CLERK:
CLERC-Y-DREF:**

Ken Williams

**TOWN MAYOR:
MEIR Y DREF:**

**Councillor
Mr. P. J. Bevan**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CAERPHILLY TOWN
COUNCIL HELD AT THE TWYN COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON MONDAY 20TH JULY 2015**

Present:

Councillors Mr. M. Newman, Mr. E. Talbot, Mrs. J. Hibbert, Mr. R. Williams, Mr. S. Cook, Mr. J. Fussell, Mr. S. Kent, Mr. P. Bevan (Town Mayor) Mr. C. Elsbury and Mr. J. Pritchard and Mr. S. Morgan.

Apologies:

Councillors Mr. G. Pratt.

In attendance:

Mr. K. Williams (Town Clerk).

29. **MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15TH
JUNE 2015**

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Monday, 15th June 2015 were received, confirmed and signed.

30. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Minute 24a. Councillor Richard Williams reported that the broken glass had been cleared up but unfortunately more had been thrown at this location.

31. **COMMUNITY SAFETY MATTERS**

Town relatively quiet with anti-social behaviour down by approximately 30%. Fab Fridays has been taken over by Positive Futures who open and close up at Twyn School. This initiative has helped reduce anti-social behaviour by giving the youths somewhere to go and something to do.

Morgan Jones Park is relatively quiet.

Police are preparing for the Big Cheese and Megaday over the next month.

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Issues raised by members:

- a. Speeding on Nantgarw Road and vehicles mounting the pavement to get through.
- b. Cars speeding through junction on Nantgarw Road/Cenydd Road.
- c. Your Voice Meeting – will be run every 4 months with the next meeting scheduled for September.
- d. Speeding cars in Asdas and B & Q car parks. Camera at Asdas is gathering information on offenders.
- e. The issue of dispersal notices has improved anti-social behaviour in town.
- f. Traffic lights controlling Castle Park/Market Street not changing to allow vehicles from Castle Park to exit site.

32. **TOWN MAYOR'S DIARY**

- 21st June 15 - 2 K Junior Race.
21st June 15 - 10 K Senior Race.
26th June 15 - Urdd Celebration, Caerphilly Rugby Club.
27th June 15 - Ffillifest.
2nd July 15 - Urdd Sport, Cardiff.

33. **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

No matters raised.

34. **PROJECTS AND TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

a. Morgan Jones Play Day 5th August 2015

Members considered the request to meet the cost of the climbing wall and agreed to a donation of £250.

b. Online Survey

Members were informed the Online Survey was now on the Council's Website and were asked to decide if the average cost per property was sufficient or if the full annual cost should be included.

Members agreed to the annual net cost as well as the cost per household being included on the website.

In addition the survey should be in a more prominent position on the website to ensure it can be found and accessed easily by the public.

c. Gatekeeper – Morgan Jones Park

The clerk presented a report to members on the possibility of employing a gatekeeper for Morgan Jones Park.

Members discussed the report and decided to see if volunteers could be found to lock the gates before deciding on the employment of a gatekeeper.

d. Concessionary Use of Caerphilly

Requests have been received for Concessionary Use of Caerphilly Castle from Caerphilly Air Cadet 1223 Squadron and from Mr. Osian Llyr Rowlands for a St. David's Gala Dinner.

The clerk informed members 6 concessions are available for 2016.

Members agreed to grant the concessions and to pay the hire fee for both applicants.

e. Caerffili Lions – Peace Poster Competition

Members considered the request to sponsor this year's Peace Poster Competition.

It was agreed to a donation of £250.

35. PLANNING MATTERS

Councillor J. Fussell and Colin Elsbury declared an interest and took no part in the discussions or decision making.

Councillor S. Kent declared an interest in Planning Applications 15/0319 and 15/0415 and took no part in the discussions or decisions on these two applications.

No objections raised.

36. PAYMENT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. List of Payments – Noted and Approved.

b. Bank Account Balances – Noted.

c. Application for Financial Assistance

	£
i. Eisteddfod y Cymoedd	150
ii. Undercurrents	150
iii. Senghenydd Drop in Centre	200
iv. Caerphilly Miner's Centre For The Community	500

Councillor C. Elsbury James Pritchard and Jenny Hibbert declared an interest and took no part in the discussions or decision making on the application from Caerphilly Miner's Centre.

Guaranteed Investment Account

The clerk informed members that the Guaranteed Investment Account is due to mature on the 7th August 2015.

Members agreed to re-invest for a period of 12 months.

37. CORRESPONDENCE

Meeting closed at 7.15 pm.

Next meeting 21st September 2015.