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Councillor
Mike Prew

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CAERPHILLY
TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE TWYN COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON MONDAY 16TH JULY 2018**

Present:

Councillors P J Bevan, S Kent, J Hibbert, M Prew, H Jackson, S Morgan, J Fussell, R Bidgood

Apologies:

Councillors C Elsbury, J Grenfell, S Hodder, J Pritchard

In Attendance:

Inspector G Clifton, Gwent Police
P G Davy, Town Clerk

34 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18TH JUNE 2018

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Monday 18th June 2018 were received, confirmed, and signed.

35 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minute 25 - A request had been made to CCBC for a plan showing the location of dog waste bins but there had been no response.

Minute 27 - The launch event for the Mayor's charities will be on 20th September at Caerphilly Rugby Club.

Minute 28 - A response was still awaited to the environmental issues referred to CCBC.

36 COMMUNITY SAFETY MATTERS

Inspector Clifton had provided a written response to the matters raised at the last Town Council meeting which had been circulated to the Members.

Members raised the following:

- 1 Members had been monitoring the number of drivers who ignored the turning restrictions at Dol y Felin St / Pontygwindy Road and taking photos. Resolution of the issue may require a junction modification.
- 2 Parking on double yellow lines throughout the town centre causes congestion and is an ongoing problem. The move to civil parking enforcement in 2019 may improve the enforcement situation.
- 3 Drinking was occurring adjacent to the NatWest Bank which is in a No Drink Zone
- 4 Speeding on St Martins Road.

Inspector Clifton reported:

- 5 An arrest had been made following a number of commercial burglaries in the town centre
- 6 There were additional pressures on police resources due to the number of music events being held at the Castle and in particular the dispersal of large numbers at the end of the event. There needed to be closer liaison between the Police and Cadw on the management arrangements e.g. taxi pick up points
- 7 The Cwtsch at Station Terrace is a focus for the Police due to the late opening to 2.00 am and is covered by the Town Safe Initiative (nightshift from 10 pm to 3 am). The Police work closely with the licensee.
- 8 The hot weather does increase the number of anti-social behaviour incidents due to the consumption of alcohol

It was noted that the Police and Crime Commissioner will be meeting with the Caerphilly Residents Association on 30th August.

37 TOWN MAYOR'S DIARY

The Mayor had visited the churches that participated in the Flower Festival. He had attended the inauguration of new Street Pastors at St Martins Church and visited the Ras yr Iaith event, Caerphilly Ladies Football Tournament, and the Memorial Match for Jake Sweeney.

38 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- 1 An entry had been made to the Wales in Bloom competition and the judge had visited on 11th July. A number of local groups had submitted their own category entries. Feedback would be used to inform a more coordinated submission in 2019. To this end it had been agreed the Town Council would convene a community meeting in September to engage interest from community groups and businesses.
- 2 Issues raised at the last Town Council were reiterated (dog waste bins, flyposting and Park Lane) and CCBC response to be chased.
- 3 There was a problem with refuse collection at The Beeches 2 estate as bins had to be left on the pavement at the entrance causing an obstruction as the collection vehicles would not enter the

estate due to the condition of the unmade access road. Cllr Kent would pursue this matter as he had a meeting arranged with CCBC Cleansing.

4 The Castle moat was overgrown with Canadian pondweed. This was a Cadw responsibility.

39 TOWN CLERK'S REPORTS

1 Community Infrastructure Levy

The Council had received a further CIL payment of £6,718.95. The cumulative CIL fund now stands at £18,467.32.

Members noted the report.

2 One Voice Wales

Due to the significant cost of the membership fee and the pressure on the 2018/19 budget it was resolved not to take up membership of One Voice Wales at this time.

3 Remembrance Day 2018

It was agreed that the Town Council would hold a commemoration event at Caerphilly Cenotaph at 11.00 am on 11th November due to this being the centenary of the ending of the First World War. The Town Clerk was requested to pursue the possibility of inviting a Deputy Lieutenant to join the commemoration and lay a wreath.

4 Q1 Budget Monitoring 2018/19 Financial Year

Members noted the report.

40 PLANNING MATTERS

The following planning applications were considered and comments made as follows:

18/0487/FULL - No objections

18/0496/FULL - No objections

18/0501/FULL - No objections

18/0512/CLPU - No objections

18/0521/FULL - No objections

18/0526/FULL - No objections

18/0553/FULL - No objections

18/0524/FULL - No objections

18/0542/FULL - No objections

18/0543/TPO - No objections

18/0571/FULL - Concerns were raised about the intensification of development at this rural location and the adequacy of the access to the site. Members would examine the plans and advise on any comments to be made to CCBC.

18/0585/FULL – No objections

18/0586/COU – No objections

Cllr J Fussell declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or decision making on any of the applications

41 PAYMENTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

1 List of payments were noted and approved

2 Bank account balances were noted

3 Applications for Financial Assistance

1 Caerphilly Miners Centre for the Community - £200 approved

Cllr H Jackson declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or decision making.

2 Friends of Elite - £150 approved.

3 Eisteddfod y Cymoedd / Valleys Eisteddfod - £400 approved

4 3rd Caerphilly (St Martins) Guides - £250 approved

Cllr H Jackson declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or decision making.

5 Caerphilly and District Twinning Association - £250 approved.

Cllr M Prew declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or decision making.

Cllr P J Bevan declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or decision making.

6 1st Caerphilly Guides (Nantgarw Road) - £150 approved.

42 CONCESSIONARY HIRE OF CAERPHILLY CASTLE

The request for a concessionary hire of Caerphilly Castle for the local charity Shining Stars for a fundraising event to celebrate their 25th anniversary was approved and the Town Council will meet the cost of the hire fee.

43 CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence.

44 MEMBERS REQUESTS FOR FUTURE REPORTS

1 Feedback from Cadw on the outcome of the consultancy study on the marketing and development of Caerphilly Castle.

2 Proposal for a Town Council Community Service Award Scheme

The meeting closed at 8.10pm