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**TOWN CLERK: TOWN MAYOR: CLERC Y DREF: MAIR Y DREF:**

**P. G. Davy Cllr Mike Prew**

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF CAERPHILLY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 16TH MAY 2022 BY MULTI LOCATION**

**Present:**

Councillors P J Bevan, M Downes, C Elsbury, J Fussell, J Grenfell, S Kent, C Lewis, J Pettit, M Prew, P Reed, D Roberts

**Apologies:**

Councillor A Broughton Pettit

**In Attendance:**

P G Davy, Town Clerk

Councillor M Prew as the past Town Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made following the recent elections.

**1 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR 2022-23**

Councillor M Prew was elected as Town Mayor and duly read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR 2022-23**

Councillor D Roberts was elected as Deputy Town Mayor and duly read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**3 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 17TH MAY 2021**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 17th May 2021 by remote access were received and confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor.

**4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising.

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**5 TOWN COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES 2022-23**

It was resolved:

1 To note that Members are entitled to receive the mandatory payments for 2022-23 as

 determined by the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales (IPRW) but may

 individually decline to receive part or all of the payment by notifying the Town Clerk in

 writing.

2 To approve an annual payment of £900 to the Town Mayor for 2022-23 which is paid

 quarterly.

3 In accordance with past practice not to adopt any of the optional determinations other than

 applying the HMRC mileage allowance of 45p per mile in respect of out of Caerphilly

 County Borough travel.

**6 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES**

1 Town and Community Council Liaison Committee (2 Members)

 Councillors PJ Bevan and C Elsbury were appointed to this Committee.

2 Caerphilly County Borough Community and Town Council Liaison Sub Committee

 (1 Member)

Councillor P J Bevan was appointed to this Sub Committee.

3 Caerphilly County Borough Council Town Centre Management Group (2 Members)

 Councillors P J Bevan and P Reed were appointed to serve on this Group.

4 Twyn Community Centre Management Committee (1 Member)

 Councillor P J Bevan was appointed to this Committee.

5 Caerphilly and District Twinning Association Management Committee (2 Members)

 Councillors M Prew and J Pettit were appointed to this Committee.

6 Caerphilly Tourism Association (Mayor and Deputy Mayor)

 Councillors M Prew and D Roberts were appointed to the Association.

**7 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON FOR THE EVENTS WORKING GROUP**

Councillor C Elsbury was elected as the Chairperson, and the Working Group is open to all Members to attend.

**8 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON FOR THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) WORKING GROUP**

Councillor C Elsbury was elected as the Chairperson and the Working Group is open to all Members to attend.

**9 BANKERS AND CHEQUE SIGNATORIES**

The Cooperative Bank plc was confirmed as the Town Council’s bank. Councillors P J Bevan and S Kent, and the Town Clerk were authorised to sign cheques on behalf of the Town Council (any 2 from 3 signatures).

**10 CONFIRMATION OF RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER (RFO)**

The Town Clerk was confirmed as the Town Council’s Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) under Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 and was authorised to give instructions, request information, and obtain answers to queries on the bank accounts on behalf of the Town Council.

The Town Clerk was confirmed as the authorised officer for internet banking and debit card.

**11 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR**

It was agreed to reappoint Mr G James as Internal Auditor for 2022-23.

**12 ATTENDANCE 2021-22**

Member attendance during 2021-22 was noted. Multi location meetings were introduced in February 2022.

**13 DATES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS 2022-23**

The dates for future meetings were noted. In accordance with the requirements of Section 27 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 all meetings will be multi location.

The AGM closed at 6.50 pm.