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**TOWN CLERK: TOWN MAYOR:**

**P G Davy Cllr M Prew**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF CAERPHILLY TOWN COUNCIL HELD BY MULTI LOCATION ON JANUARY 15TH 2024**

**Present:**

Councillor P J Bevan, M Downes, C Elsbury, J Fussell, J Grenfell, S Kent, A Broughton Pettit, J Pettit, M Prew, P Reed

**Apologies:**

Councillor C Lewis, D Roberts

**In Attendance:**

P G Davy, Town Clerk

**76 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20TH NOVEMBER 2023**

Minutes of the Ordinary Town Council Meeting held on 20th November 2023 were received and confirmed and signed by the Mayor when practical.

**77 MATTERS ARISING**

No matters arising.

**78 COMMUNITY SAFETY MATTERS**

A written police report highlighted:

* Theft of drainage covers on Nantgarw Road and Bedwas Road
* ASB at Asda
* Number plate thefts Bedwas Road and Mill Road

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Members raised the following:

* Car break ins
* Parking issues outside Premier shop on Nantgarw Road
* Vehicle speeds on 20mph roads
* Highway safety issues on Mountain Road due to closure of St Martins Road

**79 TOWN MAYOR’S DIARY**

The Mayor had attended Caerphilly Golf Club presentation evening, the Lantern Parade and Winter Wonderland.

**80 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

Members requested the following matters be referred to CCBC:

* Incidents of flash flooding due to lack of gulley cleansing
* Reinstatement of Owain Glyndwr playing fields following the Winter Fair
* Update on Virginia Park development and flooding

**81 TOWN CLERK’S REPORTS**

1 S137 Expenditure Limit for 2024-25

The Welsh Government has issued notification that the maximum expenditure that can be incurred under both section 137(1) and 137(3) for the financial year 2024-25 will be £10-81 per elector. The information was noted.

2 Minor Authority Governor Representative

The Town Council as a Minor Authority is able to appoint representatives to the governing bodies of local primary schools. The representative does not necessarily need to be a Town Councillor.

It was resolved to appoint:

Wendy Thompson as governor at Cwrt Rawlins Primary School.

Colin Elsbury as governor at Twyn Primary School.

It was agreed to make contact with Plasyfelin School to see if they wished to recommend an individual who could be appointed as the Minor Authority representative.

Councillor C Elsbury declared an interest in the appointment at Cwrt Rawlins Primary School and did not take part in the decision making.

3 Q3 Budget Monitoring 2023/24 Financial Year

Expenditure in the period 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 was £76,071.97 which represents 56% of the annual estimate approved in November 2022.

The report was noted.

**82 PLANNING MATTERS**

A list of all the planning applications received since the last Town Council in November 2023 was included in the agenda as confirmation of consultation by the Local Planning Authority. The applications are circulated as soon as received from CCBC on an individual basis and it is for Members to identify any matters they wish to raise before the expiry of the 21 day consultation period.

23/0771/Full Caerphilly Train Station

Comments had been submitted about the design, incorporation of the existing ticket office, management of the public toilets, and the eastern footbridge.

23/0852/COU

It was agreed to raise an objection on the grounds of highway safety due to an increase in traffic movements close to a road junction.

Councillor J Fussell declared an interest and did not take part in the decision making on this agenda item.

**83 PAYMENTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1 List of payments were noted and approved.

2 Bank account balances were noted.

**84 CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items of correspondence.

**85 MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE REPORTS**

There were no requests.

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm