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**TOWN CLERK: TOWN MAYOR:**

**P G Davy Cllr M Prew**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CAERPHILLY TOWN COUNCIL HELD BY MULTI LOCATION ON 16th JUNE 2025**

**Present:**

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

**Apologies:**

Councillors C Elsbury, D Roberts

**In Attendance:**

L Gibbs, Gwent Police

P G Davy, Town Clerk

**24 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 19TH MAY 2025**

Minutes of the Ordinary Town Council held on 19th May 2025 were received, confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

**25 MATTERS ARISING**

No matters arising.

**26 COMMUNITY SAFETY MATTERS**

A written report had been received from Gwent Police which highlighted:

* Several break ins at B&M Bargains youths caught on CCTV and identified
* Patrols have continued on Churchill Park which have reduced no of calls

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* Youths have been gaining access to the derelict building Pendragon House on Crescent Road, the owner has been requested to improve onsite security
* Patrols have continued around Castle View Lake, a multi agency meeting has been convened
* Two reports of electric bikes on Cardiff Road but riders not identified

Members raised the following issues:

* Parked vehicles blocking access to rear lanes
* Pavement parking in Cardiff Road (photo evidence to be provided to Town Clerk to pursue matter with CCBC)
* Concern at the inability to take effective action on electric bikes

**27 TOWN MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor had attended an under 16s presentation evening. He announced his charity for year would be the Gwent Cardiac Rehabilitation Trust.

**28 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

The frequency of emptying litter bins is an ongoing problem.

**29 TOWN CLERK’S REPORTS**

1 Town Council Meetings Remote Access

There have been problems with internet connectivity for remote access in the last few months due to tampering with the computer in the meeting room. In order to improve the security and restrict access to authorised users only it was agreed to reconfigure the layout by relocating the computer to the office on other side of the party wall.

It was agreed to accept the quotation of £504 from Drake AV funded from the IT budget.

**30 PLANNING MATTERS**

A list of all planning applications received since the last Town Council in May 2025 was included on 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.

Following comments received from Councillor S Kent on application 25/0297/FULL the Town Clerk had submitted an objection to the roof terrace on the grounds of noise and overlooking. Confirmation of action was agreed. It was noted that the application had now been withdrawn.

Councillor J Fussell declared an interest as a member of the CCBC Planning Committee.

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**31 PAYMENTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1 List of payments were noted and approved.

2 Bank account balances were noted.

3 Applications for Financial Assistance

1 Gateway Church Caerphilly

A grant of £500 was awarded. Expenditure authorised under the Local Government Act 1972 section 137.

2 Caerphilly and District Twinning Association

A grant of £500 was awarded. Expenditure authorised under the Local Government Act section 137.

Councillors P J Bevan, M Prew, J Grenfell declared an interest and took no part in the decision on this application for financial assistance.

3 Caerphilly Art Society

A grant of £200 was awarded. Expenditure authorised under the Local Government Act section 137.

**32 CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items of correspondence.

**33 MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE REPORTS**

It was agreed to invite presentations from Llamau, Cynefin Caerffili, and Cadw to future meetings.

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm.