

**MINUTES** of the Monthly Meeting of **LLANTRISANT COMMUNITY COUNCIL** held at The Caerlan Hall, Llantrisant on **TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2015 at 6.30pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Allan Matheson (Chair), Cllr Paul Baccara, Cllr Mrs Gill Morris, Cllr Ceri Harris, Cllr Ron Hunt, Cllr Mrs Arlene Moss, Cllr Mrs Veronica Nicholas and Cllr David Nicholas together with the Clerk Mrs Alison Jenkins.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mrs Julie Barton, Cllr Brian Farr, Cllr Jonathan Gilmore, Cllr Nicholas Powell and Cllr David Bray.

**2. Disclosure of Interest**

There were no disclosures of personal interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

**3. Minutes**

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2015 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

The minutes for the Annual meeting were noted with the correction of Gill Morris being the Governor for Gwaunmeisgyn. Primary School.

*6.34pm Cllr Gill Morris entered the meeting.*

**4. Matters Arising**

Cllrs Dave and Veronica Nicholas expressed their disappointment that they had not been made aware of the date for the twinning photograph.

It was noted that the fence had been stabilised at Tynant allotments. The Clerk was asked to write to the owner of the adjoining house expressing concerns that they have not installed their part of the fence and that their chickens could gain access to the allotment site.

The Clerk was asked to check with Jim Bailey the position with CIL payments.

The Clerk's report on matters arising was noted.

**5. Pending**

b. Cllr Matheson has spoken to Cllr Holmes regarding the mirror on Cardiff Road and is awaiting a response from RCT Highways.

Cllr Baccara requested that the Clerk investigate the provision of a Dog Waste Bin at Talbot Green Retail Park on the piece of grass near the health centre.

Following a discussion it was agreed to proceed with the original decision to provide a bench for Sara Head. Cllr Hunt to confirm with the family where they would like the bench to be placed. It was agreed to let ward members consider the provision of an outside table tennis table for the area.

It was noted that local members were pleased with the usage figures for the number 47 Community Bus and that financial support should continue.

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Following the complaint received from a local resident regarding the urinals in Llantrisant the Clerk was asked to ascertain the current position in relation to their sale..

## **6. Finance**

- a. The income and expenditure accounts for May 2015 were accepted and approved.
- b. The accounts for payment for June 2015 were adopted. The cheques as listed were signed by Cllr Arlene Moss and Cllr Gill Morris.
- c. The Internal Auditors report for the financial year 2014/15 was noted and Council thanked the Clerk and her assistant on the positive feedback contained in the report. It was agreed that the Mr G Evans be appointed as internal auditor for 2015/16.
- d. The accounting statements and annual governance statement in the Annual Return for 2014/15 were noted and Cllr Allan Matheson signed the statement.

## **7. Planning**

The planning applications received since the last meeting were noted.

## **8. Correspondence**

- a. The thank you from Tamsin Pemberthy was noted.
- b. The request from Welsh Hearts for applicants for the position of Trustee was noted
- c. The contact information provided by the local MEP was noted.
- d. It was AGREED that Cllr Matheson would attend the Gorwelion thank you afternoon and present a cheque for £50 from the Chair's allowance. Should Cllr Matheson be unable to attend Cllr Morris will attend in his absence.

## **9. To consider the election of the Chair and Vice Chair on a rotational basis between the four wards to ensure fair representation of all communities within the Community Council area.**

Cllr Moss took time to give her reasons why she felt the way the Council had elected its Chair and Vice Chair each year was unfair to independent Councillors. She felt that this showed a lack of respect to non labour Councillors and referred to a previous rescinded decision regarding rotating the Chair around the four wards. Cllr Moss put forward a motion that the election of the Chair and Vice Chair should be on a rotational basis between the four wards which was seconded by Cllr Paul Baccara.

A prolonged discussion followed where all members made a contribution which at times was heated, the motion was then put to the vote.

The motion was defeated when the Chair used his casting vote to remain with the status quo. Cllr Baccara expressed his dissatisfaction with this decision be noted.

## **10. Staffing**

The Clerk requested that the Parish Office be closed on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July for AJ and KP to attend training for the accounting system.

## **11. Health & Safety**

There were no additional items other than the urinals which were discussed under pending items.

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**12. Councillors Items**

Cllr Morris updated Councillors on the CANOPI meeting which she had attended. CANOPI is an information sharing opportunity for organisations working with young people in the community.

**13. To consider the election of an alternative representative from the Community Council for BATCL.**

It was AGREED that Cllr Gill Morris be nominated as the Community Council's representative on the committee for BATCL.

Cllr Baccara commented that he believed a Councillor may have infringed the Code of Conduct when the BATCL had come up for discussion at previous meetings.

The meeting ended at 7.38pm

Next Monthly meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 6.30pm, Caerlan Hall.

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Task</b>	<b>By Whom</b>
3	Correct Annual Minutes	Clerk
4	Letter re fence at Tynant Allotments	Clerk
4	Check re CIL payments with Jim Bailey	Clerk
5	Dog Waste bin for Talbot Green Retail Park	Clerk
5	Order bench for Sara Head	Clerk
5	Consider provision of outdoor Table Tennis Table	Beddau & Tynant ward members
5	Chase up owner of Social Hall re urinals	Clerk
6d	Send off Annual Return	Clerk
8d	Attend Gorwellion Thank you afternoon	Cllr Matheson

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