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Minutes of the ORDINARY Council Meeting held on Monday 13th November 2023 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre in a MULTI-LOCATIONAL format in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

Present

Councillors: N Cabble (Chair), G Enright, C Mann, V Noble and A West (Vice Chair)

Clerk: C Mortimer In Attendance:

Gwent Police: PCSO B Coggan and local resident Mr R Gough

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting.

103 Police November update

Crimes logged between 06/10/23 - 10/11/23

706 calls

Incidents include:

Missing persons

Domestic incidents

Concern for safety

RTC

Criminal damage

Theft

Neighbour issues

Assault

Violence

Commercial break

Threats

Malicious

ASB - No calls

Officers attended the Halloween party, and expressed how brilliant the event was and also the excellent turn out!

There were no ASB calls and Bonfire night went without any issues.

BYPASS / PWLL Y PANT ROUNDABOUT

11 Calls.

BDV (Broken down vehicle).

Persons walking on carriageway.

RTC (road traffic collision)

Dangerous driving

MISSING PERSONS

6 Calls

4 relating to TY Isaf.

Persons -18 years as per protocol, must be reported as missing by staff at the home.

THEFT

Copper piping and theft from a vehicle.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE

Relating to Domestic incidents.

CONCERN FOR SAFETY/PUBLIC SAFETY

Domestic incidents

Neighbour incidents

OTHER

Officers will be in attendance for this years Santa parade.

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble thanked PCSO Beverly Coggan for attending the meeting and providing an update and the PCSO subsequently left the meeting.

104 Public participation – there was no public participation.

105 Apologies

Members approved Cllr Nicola Hewer's apology due to the sad passing of her grandmother.

Addendum: Cllr Matt Newton tendered his resignation; therefore a vacancy arises. The clerk will liaise with Mr D Beecham of CCBC's Electoral Services to publish the vacancy.

106 Declarations of Interest

Councillors were reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interest(s) in respect of any item of business on this agenda in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution, and the Code of Conduct for both Councillors and Clerk.

Clerk declared an interest in minute no 113 NJC Local Government Service Pay Agreement.

107 Chair Announcements

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble announced that she had awarded 9 prizes throughout the Llanbradach and Pwllypant villages for the Halloween window display competition, the recipients were pleasantly surprised and very appreciative.

The Halloween party hosted by the Community Council at the Community Centre had also been a great success with lots of fun and games and thanked her fellow members Cllr Gary Enright, Cllr Val Noble and Cllr Ann West, the Clerk and members of her family for their attendance and support on the day. £112 was raised through ticket sales and £7 on refreshments

108 Minutes

Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 16/10/2023 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

Matters Arising - the Armistice Service had been well attended and Cllr Gary Enright was thanked for displaying the additional poppies and banners that were purchased. It was noted that no acting Servicemen were taking the lead and maybe this could be addressed for next year.

110 Finance to 08 November 2023

(i) Balance of Funds

'Balance of Funds' document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(ii) Reconciliation

Reconciliation document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(iii) Bank Statements

Bank statement no. 246 was received, approved and signed as an accurate record

111 Financial Assistance/Grants 2022/23 – there were none received.

112 Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales (IRPW)

Re: Community and Town Councils Councillor Allowances - Homeworking arrangements and consumables

Members received and noted correspondence from the IRPW confirming that homeworking expenses(£156) and consumables (£52) are no longer subject to PAYE.

The Clerk declared an interest in the next item and left the meeting.

113 **NJC - Local Government Service Pay Agreement**

Council received and noted correspondence in relation to the salary award for 2023/24 whereby the clerk's salary at SCP23 increases from £15.67 per hour to £16.67 per hour.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to implement the increase as soon as possible including back pay from April 2023.

The Clerk returned to the meeting whereby the above resolution was relayed to her and noted.

114 Information on RAAC in Buildings

Council received and noted correspondence.

115 **Welsh Government Guidance on Separated Waste Collections**

Council received and noted Guidance, which is applicable from April 2024

116 **Projects 2023/24**

- (i) Project summary was tabled and noted.
- (ii) Spring Bulb planting was discussed. Bulbs would need to be planted asap.
- (iii) Christmas Santa's Ride

Cllrs Beci Newton, Ann West, Gary Enright, David Edwards, Colin Mann and the Clerk will be in attendance. It was agreed that the Police would drive ahead to Cwm Las to ensure the area is safe for the sleigh.

(iv) Pantomime – tickets were sold out and Cllr Norma Cabble was sorting the sweets and raffle prizes.

117 Training

(i) Training schedule with OVW and Module Overview would be emailed to members.

118 Ty'n y Graig Footbridge Update - Transport for Wales (TfW)

Communication with TfW, since J Warner's departure, has been lacking and there were no further updates.

119 Bluebell Woods Update - Natalie Sargent was reviewing their application submitted to the Charity Commission.

Planning Applications: 120

Members received and commented on the following application:

Case Ref:23/0762/COU

Convert existing barn to the rear of property into a two storey dwelling with off plot car parking and amenity space 1 Tyn-y-graig Road Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3LH GRID REFERENCE - 314762(E) 190396(N)

Contact/Cysylltwch a: Chantalle Lamnea

Telephone/Ffon: 07874 641747

E Mail/E Bost: planning@caerphilly.gov.uk

RESOLVED: There were no objections, but CCBC would need to be mindful of TfW carrying out a boring hole survey a mere 3 metres to the front of the property.

121 Next meeting Date: ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 11th December 2023, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre.

Meeting	closed	at 7.50pm
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Signed:	Chair	Date: 11th December 2023
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