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Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Clydach Community Council **Tuesday 8th October 2024**

Held in the Waterfall Suite, Forge Fach
on
Tuesday 8th October 2024 commencing at 6.30 pm.

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Presiding Councillor J Nicholds
Present Councillors: Susan Powell, Mark Slade, Jason Price, Steve Weller, John Hill, Jayne Lewis, Eve Jackson, Roger Smith, Richard Bevan, Gareth Turner

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1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Katrina Davies and Cllr Ian James

2. To receive declarations of interest from members

There were no declarations of interest at the start of the meeting.

3. Public Questions

- Questions were received from members of the public regarding the Council's statement that had been made giving reasons for not holding a fireworks display this year.
- The Chair responded with a range of issues relating to budgetary, staff capacity and Health and Safety. It was agreed that more detailed relevant documentation would be published with the minutes of this meeting.

4. To confirm Minutes as a correct record.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Monthly meeting of Council held on 10th September 2024 be confirmed as a correct record.

Action: JN to ensure Minutes printed out for next meeting.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

6. To receive an update from Open Spaces and Building Mgt Committee

6.1. Committee Update:

- The Fire Risk Assessment had been received from Eco Fire. Cost of delivering recommendations would be approx., £10,000.
- Building insurance has been renewed.
- Fire Door quotation should be with us soon. 13 would be needed across both buildings, likely to be circa £16,000.
- A day at Forge Fach would be organised soon to review Fire Safety information
- A finalised Fire Action Plan would be presented to the Committee and Council once all information has been reviewed

RESOLVED: Recommendations from the Report were accepted

6.2. ACTION: Paperwork for the refurb of the Creche Office undertaken by their own builders and covered by their own insurance, needs to be reviewed by the Committee to ensure that all documentation is in compliance with our insurance. **(JN)**

6.3. ACTION: Tenders for the renewal of the rendering on the outside of the building to be progressed as soon as possible. **(JN)**

7. To receive an update from the Environment Committee

- No Meeting held since last Council Meeting.
- A meeting would be taking place with The Rivers Trust soon to agree Winter activities. Next Committee meeting would take place after that.

8. To receive an update from the Events Committee

The next Events Committee was due to be held next Monday 14th Oct.

Current update on planned Events was:

- Remembrance Parade – Julian had met with Police today to progress the road closures
- Autumn Family day had been progressed and was due to be finalised at the next Events Committee Meeting

- Arrangements for the Xmas Parade were being actively progressed and details of the Autumn event due to take place in Forge Fach would be circulated.

9. Report from HR Committee

- Enquiries had been made with One Voice Wales regarding the appointment of a new Clerk and the Recruitment Service that they provide to councils. They gave an estimated cost of £1,475 plus travel costs of £21 per journey which was acceptable considering the alternative costs of employing a Recruitment Agency which would be even greater. The recommendation to the Council was to go ahead with the recruitment in conjunction with One Voice Wales.

RESOLVED: The council unanimously approved the recommendation

10. To Receive Financial Reports

- Monthly Financial Reports had been circulated for scrutiny. There were no questions raised on the reports.

11. To Receive the Clerk's Report on Planning Applications

- No Planning Applications had been received.

12. To consider passing a resolution that further to Subsection (1) of Section 2 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

Resolution was proposed and Seconded. Therefore this part of the meeting was held in a closed session.

13. To discuss matters regarding staffing

14. To discuss a financial matter

15. The Next Meeting would be held on 12th November 2024

Signed _____ Dated _____