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Minutes of the meeting of Risca East Community Council held on 16th May 2019.

753. To sign the register and to receive apologies.

753.1.Community Councillors present: Councillors Rob Derraven, Deb Crahart, Zoe Davies, Nigel George, Arianna Leonard, Philippa Leonard, Christine Thomas and Sue Thorne 753.2.Apologies were received from John Blackburn

754. To receive representatives from the Police.

754.1. There were no representatives present at the meeting

755. To receive representations from the public.

755.1. A member of the public asked if the Borough Council's parking enforcement officers could inspect Holly Road.

Cllr. Arianna Leonard informed the meeting that Caerphilly County Borough Council intended to increase the number of parking enforcement officers.

755.2. A member of the public stated that they felt the street lighting on Manor Way was inadequate.

Cllr. Philippa Leonard informed the meeting that street lighting was being turned off between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m. The member of public responded by suggesting that every other light should be switched off to save energy.

755.3. A member of the public stated that they felt that the clothing bank on Holly Road was badly positioned.

Cllrs. Arianna Leonard and Philippa Leonard agreed to investigate.

756. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18th April 2019 were **agreed**.

757. Matters Arising

- 757.1. Minute 738.2 Cllrs. Philippa Leonard and Nigel George informed the meeting that they had attended a meeting in Moriah Church with members of the public and representatives from Caerphilly County Borough Council about alternative possibilities of running the public toilets in Risca Park. It was suggested that Risca Town Council and Risca East Community Council could contribute toward the running cost. After a brief discussion, the Community Council agreed in principle to contributing towards the running costs.
- 757.2. Minute 738.3 Provision of defibrillator The Chairman gave an update of the various options and costs. The Clerk also provided further information of costs from alternative suppliers and also the insurance implications which the Community Council needed to

- consider. It was agreed that the Clerk should make further enquiries about public liability and the insurance implications of providing a defibrillator.
- 757.3. Minute 741 It was confirmed that Risca Town Council had agreed to donate £500 to Risca Senior Citizens Association.
- 757.4. Minute 742 The Clerk confirmed that the notes taken at the Public Participation meeting held in Risca Town would not be distributed
- 757.5. Minute 744.3 Cllr. Sue Thorne produced a draft calendar for the forthcoming year detailing events that the Community could organise.

758. Clerk's Report

- 758.1.The Clerk provided a financial statement of the 2019/20 income and expenditure as at 16th May 2019 which showed a total spend of £1,313.28 with income received of £12,244.20 The bank balance was £40,067.79
- 759. The Clerk's schedule of correspondence was received and the actions agreed.
 - 759.1. Item 759.6 Marie Curie Organisation request for financial assistance not agreed
 759.2. Item 759.7 SHADE request for financial assistance Clerk to forward application form
 - 759.3. Item 759.10 TLC request for financial assistance of £350 Clerk to establish what the money is to be used for.
 - 759.4. Item 759.11 Cllr. Sue Thorne reimbursement of costs £15.58 agreed
 - 759.5. Item 759.12 request for financial assistance Cllr. Deb Crahart declared an interest and left the meeting. It was agreed to donate £150.00 Cllr. Deb Crahart was invited to re-join the meeting.
- 760. To receive a report from Councillors Philippa and Arianne Leonard.
 - 760.1. Fly tipping on Twmbarlwm was a real problem. An organised litter-pick was to take place.

761.Local Issues

- 761.1.Ty Sign Ward Cllr. Zoe Davies suggested that the clothing bank at Ty Sign should also include a bottle bank/plastic recycling facility. She also reported that a competition had been arranged over half term at the skate board park.
- 761.2.Pontymister Upper Ward Cllr. Sue Thorne gave an update on the Joint Events Sub-Group with Risca Town Council. It was agreed that the Community Council contribute 50% toward the cost of the Summer Fayre which included presenting three Community Wards to organisations. Cllr. Thorne reported that a cut Christmas Tree (instead of a live one) should cost about £250 to £300 and provided the Clerk with contact details of a supplier.
- 761.3. Trenewydd Ward Cllr Christine Thomas commented on the grass cutting. Cllr. Nigel George suggested that she speak to officers of Caerphilly County Borough Council. Cllr Thomas also mentioned a problem with street lighting on Pentwyn Farm Lane. Cllr George again suggested that she speak to officers of Caerphilly County Borough Council

- 762. To Consider Planning Applications
 - 762.1.19/0291/COND Gelli Pystyll Farm, Elm Drive, Ty Sign discharge condition 3 land and surface water, etc.
 - 762.2. 19/0273/FULL Land at Troed Rhiw Las Farm, Troed-Rhiw-Las Lane, Risca erect four bedroom detached dwelling
 - 762.3. 19/0336/FULL 23 Almond Avenue, Ty Sign create driveway to front garden

Signed......Chairman 20th June 2019