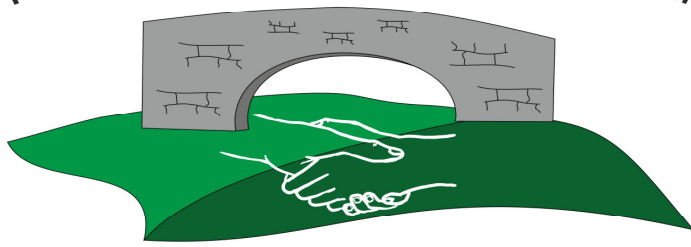


# Risca East Community Council



...working with you

Clerk/RFO Gwyn L. James  
13, Cherry Tree Road  
Pontllanfraith  
Blackwood  
Gwent  
NP12 2PY  
Tel. 01495 226038 / 07855 556483  
[www.riscaeastcc.org.uk](http://www.riscaeastcc.org.uk)  
e-mail  
[riscaeastcommunitycouncil@outlook.com](mailto:riscaeastcommunitycouncil@outlook.com)

Minutes of the meeting of Risca East Community Council held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

355. To sign the register and to receive apologies.

355.1. Community Councillors present: John Blackburn, Cliff Edwards, Matthew Farrell, Mary Coles, Shirley Hobbs and Arianna Passmore

355.2. Apologies were received from Nigel George and Maureen Jenkins

356. To receive a report from the Police.

356.1. No Police officer was present

357. To receive representations from members of the public.

357.1. Two members of the public raised concerns about ball games being played outside the top shops on Elm Drive. This had been previously discussed at the Community Council meeting in July 2015. Councillor Farrell confirmed that he spoken to some of the shop owners about the problem. The following actions were agreed:-

- It was agreed that the Community Council consider erecting a "No Ball Games" sign in the car park
- The Community Council request that the local PCSO visit the area as frequently as possible with a view to stopping the children playing ball games
- Councillor Cliff Edwards agreed to speak to the heads of Ty Sign Primary and Risca Comprehensive Schools about the problem.

358. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were **agreed**.

359. Matters arising:

359.1. Minute 345.4 – The Clerk confirmed that he posted a casual vacancy for a Community Councillor for the Ty Sign Ward on the notice boards and the Community Council website.

359.2. Minute 349.1 – The contractor had completed the notice boards. The Clerk reported that the notice board on Elm Drive was leaning forward. It was agreed that the Clerk approach the contractor for a price to re-bed the notice board in concrete.

359.3. Minute 350.2 – The Clerk advise the meeting that he had received the necessary documentation from Barclays Bank to add Cllr Mary Coles as a signatory to the account.

359.4. Minute 352.1 – Land at Snowden Close – the Borough Council has posted legal notices advising the public of the application to declare the land a "village green"

359.5. Minute 353.2 – Cllr Shirley Hobbs advised the meeting that the work on the houses was not finished.

360. To receive the Clerk's Report

360.1. The Clerk provided an analysis of income and expenditure and confirmed a bank balance of £36,545.29 as at 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The report was **accepted**.

361. The Clerk's schedule of correspondence was received and the actions **agreed**.

362. To receive a report from Councillor Nigel George.

362.1. Councillor George had previously apologized for not being able to attend the meeting.

363. Local Issues

363.1. Ty Sign Ward - Councillor Shirley Hobbs spoke of the Borough Council's latest edition of Newline and reference to the "Spring Clean-up" campaign.

363.2. Pontymister Upper Ward – nothing to report

363.3. Trenewydd Ward

- Councillor Cliff Edwards advised the meeting that the Armistice Service was to be held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at Moriah Chapel in Risca. He asked the Clerk to send invitations to the following organisations:-
  - Moriah Church
  - Risca Male Choir
  - Ty Sign Primary School
  - Risca Primary School
  - Risca Comprehensive School
  - Risca Town Band
  - The dignitaries that had been invited to last year's service
- The Chairman had produced a draft newsletter for consideration. After a few suggested amendments from the meeting, it was agreed that the newsletter be forwarded to the Clerk for publication.
- The Chairman reported that the Industrial History Museum had been in discussion with him regarding the future of the Miner's Institute. The Chairman had given them the name of a conservation architect who could advise them on the way forward. The Community Council **agreed** in principle to assisting the Museum with the architect's costs.
- It was **agreed** that the Clerk should approach the electrical contractor to investigate the feasibility of erecting Christmas Lights outside St. David's Church.

364. To consider Planning Applications

364.1. 16/0126/FULL - 20 Moriah Hill, Risca – erect extension to side of property and provide three sheltered parking bays and patio area - noted

Signed.....Chairman 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016