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Minutes of the meeting of Risca East Community Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

689. To sign the register and to receive apologies.

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

690. To receive representatives from the Police.

690.1. There were no representatives from the Police present.

- 691.To receive representations from the public. 691.1. There were no members of the public present.
- 692. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 were **agreed**.

## 693.Matters Arising

- 693.1. Minute 678.1 Cllr Nigel George reported that the Borough Council had been approached for help with funding the Ty Sign Hall project and also the possibility of an alternative site.
- 693.2. Minute 680.1 Cllr Nigel George advised the meeting that problems with parking on double yellow lines will be the responsibility of the Borough Council after April 2019.
- 693.3. Minute 682.2 Crossing Patrol at Ty Sign Primary School the vacant post was not being replaced at present. It was suggested that the Borough Council should consider installing a zebra crossing. It was agreed to agenda this for the May 2019 meeting.
- 693.4. Minute 682.3 It was **agreed** that the Clerk should write to St. David's Church requesting permission to install a defibrillator on the outside of the Church.
- 693.5. Minute 682.4 Cllr Sue Thorne confirmed that the Risca Directory was not delivered to all households in the Risca East area.
- 693.6. Minute 682.6 Everyone agreed that the ceremony for switching on the lights had been a great success. Congratulations to all those who had been involved in organising the event. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should write to St. David's church asking for permission to plant a Christmas tree in the grounds.
- 693.7. Minute 687.2 Cllr Nigel George advised the meeting that these "No Ball Games" signs were old ones and reminded the meeting that the notices were not enforceable because the Borough Council had not passed the necessary by-laws.

- 693.8. After a brief discussion ensued regarding the use of the Kindle Tablets, it was **agreed** to agenda in the January meeting the possibility of organising a training session; possibly in the TLC.
- 694. Clerk's Report
  - 694.1.The Clerk provided a financial statement of the 2018/19 income and expenditure as at 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 which showed a total spend of £7,720.51 with income received to date of £25,015.51 The bank balance was £57,640.12
  - 694.2. The Council **agreed** the variation to the budget for Postage.
  - 694.3.Concerns were expressed about the Armistice Sunday Service and responsibilities for organising the march, road closures, liability insurance, etc. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should write to Risca Town Council and Steve Veysey of the RBL to convene a joint meeting.
  - 694.4. The Council accepted the Clerk's report.
- 695. The Clerk's schedule of correspondence was received and the actions agreed.
- 696.Risca East/Risca Town joint meeting.

696.1. No joint meeting had been held since the last Community Council meeting.

- 697. To receive a report from Councillor Nigel George.
  - 697.1. Cllr George had provided his report by giving updates on the various items in matters arising.
- 698. Local Issues
  - 698.1.Ty Sign Ward Cllr Zoe Davies reported that the downpipes on the Elm Drive shops needed repairing. It was reported the new skate park had recently been damaged and diesel had been stolen from the site.
  - 698.2. Pontymister Upper Ward Cllr. Sue Thorne expressed her concern about the possible loss of the TLC shop. She felt that the Community Council should consider providing financial support for the organisation. She added that volunteers were needed to run the shop. Cllr Thorne asked that her appreciation be recorded in recognizing the work that Cllr Hazel Dupre of Risca Town Council had put in to ensure that the Armistice Concert had been a success.
  - 698.3. Trenewydd Ward Cllr Philippa Leonard commented on the lack of salt/grit bins and the possibility of getting new ones. Cllr Nigel George advised the meeting that the Borough Council would not be proving new bins but existing ones would be filled for the winter.

699. To Consider Planning Applications

- 699.1.18/0999/FULL 44 Penrhiw Road, Penrhiw, Risca erect conservatory to south elevation
- 699.2. 18/0962/FULL 13 Wentwood Place, Trenewydd Park, Risca erect two storey extension to enlarge kitchen, utility room, wet room and two bedrooms.

Signed.....Chairman 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019