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Minutes of the meeting of Risca East Community Council held on 21st July 2016.

- 402. To sign the register and to receive apologies.
 - 402.1.Community Councillors present: Rob Derraven, Cliff Edwards, Matthew Farrell, Shirley Hobbs, Nigel George, Mary Coles and Maureen Jenkins.
 - 402.2. Apologies were received from Arianna Passmore and John Blackburn.
- 403. To receive a report from the Police.
 - 403.1. No Police officer was present.
- 404. To receive representations from members of the public.
 - 404.1. No members of the public were present.
- 405. The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd June 2016 were agreed.
- 406. Matters Arising
 - 406.1.Minute 398.11 The clerk provided all Councillors with a copy of the revised Councillor's code of Conduct. The Council **agreed** to adopt the Revised Code of Conduct
 - 406.2.Minute 396.1 Cllr Rob Derraven reported that the estimated cost of the skate board park was £60,000 with £30,000 already sourced. He agreed to report back when further information was available.
 - 406.3. Minute 396.2 Cllr Matthew Farrell informed the meeting that he had been approached by Twmbarlwm AFC to join its committee but he had declined.
 - 406.4. The Clerk gave an update on the Christmas Lights. A representative of Elsbury Plant had visited the Church to establish whether the exterior wall was suitable to affix lights to it. It was felt that alternative solutions may have to be sought such as installing Christmas decorations on the lighting columns outside both sets of shops in Elm Drive.
- 407. To receive the Clerk's Report
 - 407.1. The Clerk provided an analysis of income and expenditure and confirmed a bank balance of £39,146.72 as at 21st July 2016. The report was **accepted**.
 - 407.2. As a result of the 2015/16 External Auditor's report, the Clerk provided a revised Risk

Assessment document for the Council to consider and agree. The Council **accepted** and approved the Risk Assessment Document.

- 408. The Clerk's schedule of correspondence was received and the actions agreed.
 - 408.7. Risca United AFC request for financial assistance Cllr Rob Derraven declared an interest and left the meeting. It was agreed that the Football Club should submit a proper Community Council application form.
- 409. To receive a report from Councillor Nigel George.
 - 408.1. Councillor George reported that the LDP had been rejected by Caerphilly County Borough Council.
 - 408.2. Cllr Shirley Hobbs asked if the Borough Council knew the number of empty houses within the Borough. Cllr George confirmed that the Borough Council knew the number and would provide this at the next Community Council meeting.
 - 408.3.Cllr Maureen Jenkins asked about the possibility of a development at the car park next to the Pontymister roundabout. Cllr George confirmed that a housing association wanted to build houses and flats on the site.

410. Local Issues

- 410.1. Ty Sign Ward Cllr Nigel George informed the meeting that new signs had been installed on the Penrhiw Bridge to try and stop lorries using the bridge.
- 410.2. Pontymister Upper Ward nothing to report.
- 410.3. Trenewydd Ward nothing to report
- 411.To consider Planning Applications

Signed	Chairman	15 th	¹ September	2016
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