

Minutes of the Hybrid Meeting of Llantwit Major Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Old School and remotely via zoom on Thursday 30th May 2024 at 7.05pm

PRESENT;	Chairperson	Councillor Dr P Dickson - Town Mayor	
	Councillors	D Foster) NORTH WARD
		E Williams)
		J Norman)
		J Lewis) SOUTH EAST WARD
		G Morgan)
		G Thomas)
		S Hanks)
		W Norman)
		J Deakin) BOVERTON WARD
		G John) WEST WARD
		D Powell)

PC Jamie Williamson
Members of the Public

Note: (Z) - Remotely by Zoom

Apologies were received from:
Councillor G Hughes – Family Bereavement
Councillor Dr D Ellis - Family Commitment

Declaration of Interest Forms were received from:

Pursuant to the requirements of this Councils Code of Conduct, Councillor E Williams declared an interest under Vale of Glamorgan Council, Item 1, To note letter from Head of Housing and Building Services re Housing Policy with reference to the former Eagleswell School Development.

Pursuant to the requirements of this Councils Code of Conduct, Councillor J Deakin declared an interest under Recreation and Open Spaces, Item 3, To discuss Llantwit Major 10K Committee to request placing a banner on the Recreation Field to promote the LM10K Event on 22nd September 2024.

385 . MINUTES

Full Town Council Meeting held 25th April 2024

The minutes of the Full Town Council Meeting held on the 25th April 2024 had previously been circulated to Council Members.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Full Town Council Meeting held on the 25th April 2024 be adopted and accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Annual Meeting held 9th May 2024

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on the 9th May 2024 had previously been circulated to Council Members.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on the 9th May 2024 be adopted and accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Allotment Sub Committee Meeting held 24th April 2024

The minutes of the Allotment Sub Committee Meeting held on 24th April 2024, had previously been circulated to Council Members.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Allotment Sub Committee Meeting held on 24th April 2024 be accepted as a true record and all recommendations be actioned by the Town Clerk.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Planning Committee Meeting held 25th April 2024

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 25th April 2024, had previously been circulated to Council Members.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 25th April 2024 be accepted as a true record and all recommendations be actioned by the Town Clerk.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Place Making Meeting held 8th May 2024

The minutes of the Place Making Meeting held on 8th May 2024, had previously been circulated to Council Members.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Place Making Meeting held on 8th May 2024 be accepted as a true record and all recommendations be actioned by the Town Clerk.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Planning Committee Meeting held 15th May 2024

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 15th May 2024, had previously been circulated to Council Members.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 15th May 2024 be accepted as a true record and all recommendations be actioned by the Town Clerk.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

386. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**To receive any questions from members of the public in accordance with Standing Orders and Town Council Public Question Time Protocol**

Gillian Prevett and Abigail Rees introduced themselves to the Town Council.

Gillian Prevett stated that she had attended this meeting to discuss the hourly chiming of the Town Hall Bell since it had been repaired. She stated that sleep deprivation has both a physical and mental effect on your health and wellbeing. Since the clock chime has been repaired she has had her sleep continually disturbed. Ms Prevett requested that the chime be stopped over night or the hammer disabled/removed. She stated that she had in one hour obtained 12 signatures for a Petition requesting the chimes to be stopped at night. She noted that complaints had been brought to the Town Council in 2008 re the Town Hall chimes.

Ms Prevett said that the Place Making Charter states that the residents health and well-being should be considered. She informed Councillors that her investigations into the level of decibels allowed at night should be no higher than 55 decibels. She said that her own readings over a few nights raised from a minimum 34 decibels to a maximum of 76.6 decibels. Ms Prevett concluded that the local community should be able to sleep at night and that she is confused and stressed with living with this nightly disruption and wants her home back.

Councillor Dr Dickson requested permission to bring forward Agenda Item Town Hall.

387. TOWN HALL**To discuss further letter from resident re chiming of the Town Hall Bell**

Councillors had previously been circulated with a letter from a resident dated 12th May 2024 re the chiming of the Town Hall Bell. Councillors further discussed this matter.

RESOLVED: That as per a previous resolution no further action be taken at the present time. Await response from the Vale Environmental Health Department and then readdress this Agenda Item at a future Town Council Meeting.

Members of the General Public vacated the Council Chamber.

Councillor Dr Dickson asked permission to bring forward Agenda Item Community Constable.

388. COMMUNITY CONSTABLE**To receive Community Constable**

PC Jamie Williamson introduced himself to Councillors and stated for the month of May 2024 there had been 37 recorded crimes, which included 5 violent crimes, 3 car crimes, 1 criminal damage, 9 public order offences, 5 shop lifting incidents and 15 miscellaneous crimes.

PC Williamson stated that anti-social behaviour had been reported in Fitzhammon Avenue. He hoped that the ongoing problems with Camper Vans located down Llantwit Beach had now been resolved. PC Williamson informed Councillors that there was ongoing Parking issues and anti-social behaviour along Eagleswell Road. Councillor Deakin reiterated the ongoing problems with

parking along Boverton Road at the drop off / pick up times at the Primary / Comprehensive School. PC Williamson confirmed he would monitor the situation over the next few weeks. PC Williamson also confirmed there had been incidents of cannabis smoked in cars at the Train Station Car Park.

Councillor Dr Dickson thanked PC Williamson for his attendance and PC Williamson vacated the Council Chamber.

389. SIGNING OF MINUTES

Signing of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Councillors noted that the Town Mayor would sign the minutes when next in the Town Council office.

390. TOWN MAYOR

Town Mayors events attended 1st May 2024 to 31st May 2024

Councillors had previously been circulated with the Town Mayor events attended 1st May 2024 to the 31st May 2024. Councillor Dr Dickson stated he had attended 6 events in the first 3 weeks and all were very enjoyable. Noted.

Questions to the Town Mayor

There were no questions to the Town Mayor.

391. COUNCIL MEETINGS

Meetings for Month of June 2024

Councillors had previously been circulated with Meetings for the Month of June 2024. Councillors were informed that the Finance and Policy Meeting would be rescheduled for later in the month of June 2024. Noted.

392. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Members Announcements

Report from Town Clerk

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that the Stradling Park Community Garden path and fence had been installed. The next phase would be to encourage community groups to come together to start planting and further clearing the site.

The Town Clerk confirmed that little progress had been made regarding the Carparks and Public Toilets in the town. Progress was further restricted due to purdah (pre election period).

The rugby club had confirmed the container currently situated on the Vale section of the car park was temporary. It will to be moved to behind the Clubhouse once the ground had dried out.

Plans for the D Day Celebrations on the 6th June 2024 including a Fish and Chip Supper, Poems, Readings, WW2 music and the lighting of the Beacon at 9.15pm, were in hand. She reiterated that help would be needed at the Food Festival on the Friday afternoon and Sunday evening for erecting and dismantling the marquees etc for the event. She confirmed that she had contracted Richie Builders to assist for a few hours during this period to assist with the setting up and clearing away of the festival site.

To note Report of Dementia Friendly Llantwit Major May 2024

Councillors had previously been circulated with the Report of Dementia Friendly Llantwit Major May 2024. Councillor Deakin confirmed that he and Councillor Dr Ellis would be going around all the businesses in the next few weeks who had pledged to be a Dementia Friend of Llantwit Major. Noted.

To note Report of Fairtrade Meeting May 2024

Councillors had previously been circulated with the Report of the Fairtrade Meeting May 2024. Noted.

Action Tracker

Councillors had previously been circulated with an up to-date Action Tracker.

Councillor Hanks requested permission to have the Action 'to meet with the Vale of Glamorgan Council to take forward a Placemaking Plan removed from the Action Tracker'. Noted.

RESOLVED: That permission is granted to remove the Action 'to meet with the Vale of Glamorgan Council to take forward a Placemaking Plan from the Action Tracker'.

393. FINANCE**Bank Reconciliation for period 1st April 2024 to 30th April 2024**

Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of the Bank Reconciliation for period 1st April 2024 to 30th April 2024. Noted.

Expenditure for the period 26th April 2024 to 23rd May 2024

Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of the Expenditure for the period 26th April 2024 to 23rd May 2024. Noted.

Income for the period 26th April 2024 to 23rd May 2024

Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of the Income for the period 26th April 2024 to 23rd May 2024. Noted.

394. DEVELOPMENT**To note Planning Application decisions by the Vale of Glamorgan Councils**

Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of the Vale of Glamorgan Councils Planning Application decisions. Noted.

To discuss request for informal meeting from Sainsburys

Councillors had previously been circulated with an email dated 2nd May 2024 re a request for an informal meeting from Sainsburys. Councillors further discussed the request.

RESOLVED: That representatives from Sainsburys be invited to come and address Councillors at an informal Meeting prior to a future Full Town Council Meeting.

395. CEMETERY

The following Burial matters were noted.

- 1) Burial of Sarah Delyth Ann Williams (new plot) D22 on 26th April 2024
- 2) Burial of cremated remains Marion Mavis Williams (reopen plot) K21 on 1st May 2024
- 3) Burial of cremated remains Gordon Brian Evans (reopen plot) Hd4 on 3rd May 2024.

- 4) Burial of cremated remains Keith Roger Poulton (new plot) Mf3 on 10th May 2024.
- 5) Burial of cremated remains Myrna Valarie Crooks (new plot) Mf4 on 15th May 2024
- 6) Burial of cremated remains Ann Doreen Beer (reopen) A34 on 28th May 2024

RESOLVED: That approval be granted for the Exclusive Right of Burial Certificate to be issued and sealed on behalf of the Town Council in respect of matters 1, 4 & 5.

396. RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

To discuss Monthly / Quarterly Play Area Site Inspections

Councillors had previously been circulated with an email dated 23rd April 2024 re Vale of Glamorgan Council fees for Monthly / Quarterly Play Area Site Inspections. Councillors noted the increase in prices from last year.

RESOLVED: That permission be granted to proceed with the Vale of Glamorgan Monthly / Quarterly Play Area Site Inspections at a charge per monthly visit of £52.50.

To discuss Llantwit Major Tennis Club placing a banner on the recreation Field to promote the Tennis Club and Courts

Councillors had previously been circulated with an email dated 12th May 2024 from Llantwit Major Tennis Club requesting to place a banner on the Recreation Field to promote the Tennis Club and Courts.

RESOLVED: That permission is granted to place a banner on the Recreation Field to promote the Llantwit Major Tennis Club and Courts.

To discuss Llantwit Major 10K Committee to request placing a banner on the recreation Field to promote the LM10K Event on 22nd September 2024

Councillor J Deakin declared an interest.

Councillors had previously been circulated with an email dated 15th May 2024 requesting to place a banner on the Recreation Field to promote the LM10K Event on 22nd September 2024.

RESOLVED: That permission is granted to place a banner on the Recreation Field to promote the LM10K Event on 22nd September 2024.

397. VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

To note letter from Head of Housing and Building Services re housing Policy with reference to the former Eagleswell School Development.

Councillor Williams declared an Interest.

Councillors had previously been circulated with an email dated 14th May 2024 from the Head of Housing and Building Services re housing Policy with reference to the former Eagleswell School Development. Noted.

398. MISCELLANEOUS

To discuss letter from resident re camper vans at the Beach Car Park and disposal of waste

Councillors had previously been circulated with a letter dated 15th May 2024 from a resident re camper vans at the Beach Car Park and disposal of waste. Councillors noted that the local Police and Vale Enforcement Officers have been to the Beach Car Park to investigate this matter and it was hope that the situation was now resolved.

RESOLVED: That a letter be written to the resident thanking them for their letter re camper vans at the Beach Car Park and disposal of waste and confirm that action to rectify this matter had been undertaken by the local Police and Vale Enforcement Officers.

Further

RESOLVED: That a letter be written to the Vale of Glamorgan Council requesting that they review the signage and install more prominent signage at the Beach Car Park in Llantwit Major in reference to deterring:
a) No pitching of tents, overnight camping on the site
b) No dogs allowed on Beach during the Summer period

To discuss email re safety of Lithium-ion batteries e-bikers and scooters

Councillors had previously been circulated with an email dated 20th May 2024 re safety of Lithium-ion batteries e-bikers and scooters. Noted.

SIGNED
MAYOR

DATED