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**TOWN CLERK: TOWN MAYOR:**

**P G Davy Cllr M Prew**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CAERPHILLY TOWN COUNCIL**

**HELD ON ,MONDAY 15TH JULY 2024 BY MULTI LOCATION**

**Present:**

Councillors P J Bevan, M Downes, J Grenfell, C Lewis, J Pettit, P Reed, D Roberts

**Apologies:**

Councillors C Elsbury, J Fussell, S Kent, A Broughton Pettit, M Prew

**In Attendance:**

T Humphreys, L Gibbs, Gwent Police

P G Davy, Town Clerk

In the absence of the Mayor the meeting was chaired by the Deputy Mayor D Roberts.

**34 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 15TH JULY 2024**

Minutes of the Ordinary Town Council meeting held on 15th July 2024 were received, confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

**35 MATTERS ARISING**

Minute 25 - Letter had been sent to the PCC in respect of funds available to upgrade CCTV in retail premises. Information had been received about the Local Policing Positive Impact Fund which provides an annual allocation of £10000 from the PCC to each local policing area. The fund is designed to support the delivery of projects that help tackle local issues and results in positive outcomes for the community. However CCTV and alarm systems will not be supported by the fund.

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Minute 26 - Letter had been sent to the PCC in respect of strategy to address off road bikes being ridden around the town. No response received.

Minute 28 - Request made to CCBC for information on weed spraying programme, no response.

Information requested from CCBC on flagpoles adjacent to Cenotaph, no response.

**36 COMMUNITY SAFETY MATTERS**

A written report had been received from Gwent Police. There had been isolated incidents of shoplifting and ASB. Increased patrols had targeted Churchill Park and the bus stop area opposite Iceland. A number of major offenders had been arrested. Members raised concern about alcohol consumption in Dafydd Williams Park.

**37 TOWN MAYOR’S ANNOUCEMENTS**

In the absence of the Mayor there were no announcements.

**38 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

Concerns were again raised about the unkempt appearance of the town with extensive weed growth and overflowing rubbish bins and that there had been no response from CCBC.

Members will raise the matter at a political level with the relevant CCBC Cabinet Member. The Town Clerk will forward photos to CCBC which show the neglect.

A query was raised whether there was a town entry into Caerffili in Bloom for 2024. Councillor C Lewis volunteered to assist with submission if required.

**39 TOWN CLERK’S REPORTS**

1 Q1 Budget Monitoring 2024/25 Financial Year

Expenditure in the period 1 April 2024 to 30 June 2024 was £22574.08 which represents 16% of the budget approved in November 2023. The report was noted.

2 Business Continuity Plan Update

The Business Continuity Plan had been updated to reflect changes to office IT following the decision at the Town Council in May 2024 (minute 19.3 20.5.24) to terminate the CCBC hosting arrangements for two desktop computers.

The amendments to the Business Continuity Plan were approved.

**40 PLANNING MATTERS**

A list of all the planning applications received since the last Town Council in June 2024 was included on the agenda as confirmation of consultation by the Local Planning

Authority. The applications are circulated as soon as received from CCBC on an individual basis and it is for Members to identify any matters they wish to raise before the expiry of the 21 day consultation period. No comments have been made on any of the applications listed.

**41 PAYMENTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1 List of payments were noted and approved.

2 Bank account balances were noted.

3 Applications for Financial Assistance

 Cwrt Rawlin PTA

A grant of £1500 was approved. Expenditure authorised under the Local Government Act 1972, section 137.

Councillor D Roberts declared an interest and took no part in the decision on this matter.

**42 CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items of correspondence.

**43 MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE REPORTS**

There were no requests.

The meeting closed at 7.10 pm.