
ABER VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF THE ABOVE COUNCIL HELD AT ABERTRIDWR COMMUNITY CENTRE,
ON THURSDAY 13TH JUNE 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairperson: Councillor E. P. Prendergast

Councillors: M. E. Battle, D. Berry, L. Binding, G. Bowen, L. Crothers,
P. Mitchell, B. Morris, J. Roberts, J. Taylor

Apologies: M. Stretch

2655/13 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Community Council meeting held on 9th May 2013 were approved as a true record.

2656/13 MATTERS ARISING

2653/13 (3) (c) Gavo Caerphilly Basin & Aber Valley Voluntary Sector Forum – Councillor P. Mitchell was unable to attend.

2653/13 (3) (b) Cylch Meithrin Ifor Bach Financial Assistance – 34 children will be going on the trip to St Fagan's.

2657/13 POLICE MATTERS

P.C.S.O. Ian Williams and Sergeant Andrew Down of Gwent Police attended the meeting and reported on the following matters:

- (a) Parking on Senghenydd Square – advisory notices have been put on vehicles. Tickets will be issued as from next week.
- (b) Fly tipping on the mountain – to be removed.
- (c) Speed monitoring on Caerphilly Road – average speed 26.12 mph (100 cars).
- (d) Antisocial behaviour – down 12.5% on last year.
- (e) Sergeant Andrew Down introduced himself and informed Members that Emma Taylor is the new Community Support Officer for the Aber Valley.

Members reported on the following matters:

- (a) Cars speeding outside Ysgol Ifor Bach in the evenings.
- (b) SPAR Abertridwr – parking has improved.
- (c) Increase in off-road bikes on the land behind Church Road, Abertridwr.
- (d) Councillor P. Mitchell requested fridge magnets with contact details of the Police.
- (e) Members thanked the Police for the work they have done in Senghenydd.

2658/13 **MEMBERS/PUBLIC MATTERS**

Members matters:

- (a) Members discussed parking and ownership of the Panteg.
- (b) Members discussed the misuse of the bench on the cycle track between Church Road and Senghenydd – the Clerk to report to Community Safety.

2659/13 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

- (a) The tennis courts in Abertridwr park are completed and being used.
- (b) Summer flowers have been placed at the Cenotaph, Senghenydd.
- (c) The Chairperson highly praised Edward Jones, the Refuse and Cleansing Litter Picker in Abertridwr, for all his good work – the Clerk to write a letter to the Head of Community & Leisure Services expressing thanks from Members for all his hard work.
- (d) The Chairperson will be attending the Miner's Re-union on Thursday 28th June 2013.

2660/13 **CLERKS REPORT**

(1) SECTION 'A' ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Members noted the following matters:-

- (a) Notice of One Voice Wales 2013 Conference & AGM.

(2) SECTION 'B' ITEMS FOR DECISION

- (a) Income Tax Contribution

Members authorised the amount due to the Inland Revenue in respect of income tax payments for May, June and July - £315.00.

(b) County Supplies

Invoice received from County Supplies for stationery items - £31.80 (including VAT). Members authorised the payment.

(c) UK Laser Supplies - Invoice

Invoice received from UK Laser Supplies for 2 black ink cartridges – £27.70 (including VAT). Members authorised the payment.

(d) Launch of the Mayors Charity Appeal 2013/14

It was agreed that a donation of £50 be given to the Mayors Charity Appeal.

(e) Annual External Audit 2012/13

Members approved Section 1 and 2 of the accounts for audit and authorised the Chairperson and Clerk sign the forms as required. The Clerk to submit the accounts for audit to the nominated external auditors.

(3) ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO THE CLERK'S REPORT

(a) SYDIC – Aber Valley Summer Scheme.

Councillor J. E. Roberts and Councillor M. E. Battle declared an interest and took no part in the discussion.

Members considered the request from SYDIC for financial support towards the Aber Valley Summer Scheme to assist with providing activities and transport costs.

It was agreed the Community Council would support the application in the sum of £1,200.00.

(b) Stamps

Members agreed for the Clerk to purchase stamps as necessary.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 11th July 2013** at Senghenydd Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.