
ABER VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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CALLING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the above Council will be held at **Abertridwr Community Centre on Thursday 11th June 2015**. The meeting will commence at 7.00 pm.

Members of the press and public are cordially invited to attend.

Sharon Hughes
(Clerk to the Council)

AGENDA

1. To note Members attendance and receive any apologies for absence
2. Nant-y-Parc Primary School 'Little Voices' Group – Presentation
3. SYDIC – Summer Scheme 2015 Funding
4. To confirm the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14th May 2015
5. Matters Arising
6. Police Matters
7. Members/Public Matters
 - (a) Senghenydd Water Park Funding 2015/16
8. Chairperson's Report
9. Clerk's Report (attached)
10. Next meeting: Thursday 9th July 2015 at Senghenydd Community Centre

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REPORT OF THE CLERK TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD AT ABERTRIDWR COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY 11TH JUNE 2015 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM

1. SECTION 'A' – ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

(a) Aber Valley Community Council – Budget

A copy of the income and expenditure from April 1st 2015 to date, including a balance sheet, is available for Members to examine.

(b) Armed Forces Day – Saturday 20th June 2015

The Mayor of Caerphilly County Borough Council invites you to the annual Armed Forces Day celebrations. The official ceremony will take place adjacent to Newbridge Memo at 10.30 am on Saturday 20th June 2015.

(c) Five-man Community Cleansing Team

The five-man community cleansing team will be working in the Aber Valley area during the week commencing 29th June 2015. Please identify, and prioritise, any areas that require additional cleansing so they can be incorporated in a schedule of works for the week concerned.

(d) Queen's Award for Voluntary Services

The Aber Valley Heritage Group has won the Queen's Award for Voluntary Services in Wales (group recognition).

2. SECTION 'B' – ITEMS FOR DECISION

(a) Income Tax Contribution

The amount due to the Inland Revenue in respect of income tax payments with regards to the Clerk salary for May, June and July 2015 is £315.00.

(b) Summer Holiday Provision – Sports Development

An e-mail has been received from Sports Development, Caerphilly County Borough Council regarding summer holiday provision. Caerphilly Council's Sports Development Team 'Sport Caerphilly' are aiming to achieve the vision, to get 'More People, More Active, More Often' by offering sporting activities for 7-12 year old children during the summer holidays in Heolddu, Newbridge, Caerphilly and Sue Noake (Ystrad Mynach) Leisure Centres. For a cost of £8 per day the children will be able to take part in activities ranging from sport specific sessions such as football, netball, rugby and hockey to recreational activities including dodgeball, rounders and multi skills activities.

Would the Community Council be willing to make a financial contribution towards the cost of attending the programme?

(c) Senghenydd Community Centre – Application for Funding

A letter has been received from the Chairperson of Senghenydd Community Centre requesting an annual grant/donation to help with the upkeep of the running of the Heritage Museum and the associated costs of keeping the Museum open six days a week – a copy of the letter is attached.

(d) Caerphilly Fireworks Display

A letter has been received from the Town Clerk of Caerphilly Town Council requesting a financial contribution towards the costs of the annual fireworks display at Caerphilly Castle to be held on Saturday 31st October 2015. Last year the Council gave £250 towards the cost and this amount has been reserved in the estimates for 2015/16.

Will Members consider the request for financial support?

(e) Stamps

The purchase of postage stamps is necessary for the Community Council Office.

(f) Mayor's Charity Appeal 2015/16

The Mayor's Charity Appeal will be held on Wednesday 1st July 2015 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Penallta House. Councillor Leon Gardiner has chosen two charities, Ty Hafan and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Do Members wish to make a donation to the Mayor's Charity on the evening of the 1st July 2015?

(g) SYDIC – Summer Scheme

A letter has been received from SYDIC requesting financial support towards the Aber Valley Summer Scheme, to assist with providing facilities and transport costs.

Will Members consider the request for financial support?

(h) Standing Orders

A copy of the updated Standing Orders is attached – to be adopted by the Community Council.

(i) Annual External Audit 2014/15

Each year the community council is required to submit their accounts for external audit to a nominated auditor, which in this case is a firm called Mazars.

The Community Council must now formally approve the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2015 and certify Section 3, before the Annual Return is sent to the external auditor.

The Community Council must approve and submit the Annual Return by 30th June 2015.

A copy of the annual governance statement is attached – to be completed at the community council meeting.

Members will recall that the accounts for 2014/15 were presented to the Annual General Meeting of the Community Council, but the layout of the accounts has to be amended so as to conform to the format laid down by the external auditors. Will members therefore approve sections 1 and 2 of the form and allow the Clerk and the Chairperson to certify as required.

Mr Terry Williams has completed the internal audit and has provided a report – to be presented at the meeting.

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

None.