

BARGOED TOWN COUNCIL

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To the Mayor and Members of Bargoed Town Council.

29th September 2016

Dear Councillor,

The next meeting of the council will be held at 6.00pm on Wednesday 5th October 2016.

Yours faithfully,

Laura Tams Town Clerk, for and on behalf of the Mayor.

Laura Jans.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive apologies.
- 2. Declaration of interests or dispensations on any item(s) on this Agenda, if appropriate.
- 3. Police report
- 4. To welcome Steve from Elsbury, re Christmas lighting
- 5. To consider the minutes of the last Council Meeting and whether to approve as an accurate record of the proceedings
- 6. Matters arising from the minutes

- 7. Mayors Business
- 8. Leaders Report
- 9. Matters reported for decision
- 9.1 To consider grant applications
- 9.2 To receive planning notifications
- 9.3 To receive correspondence
- 9.4 To receive financial update
- 10. To receive matters arising from the Clerk
 - Request for storage unit (external)
- 11. Events
- 12. Community and Town Council Liaison update
- 13. AOB at the discretion of the Mayor.
- 14. Date of next meeting 2nd November

N.B.

Any Member of the Public who wishes to raise any issue must give the Clerk 3 day's written notice prior to the meeting stating the detail of their enquiry.

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General Meeting MINUTES,

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7th September 2016

PRESENT

Councillors J Bissex, H Llewellyn,

COUNCILLORS

L Harding, S Horton, D Morgan, TD Davies, A Collis,

D Price, V Stephens, R Walker.

IN ATTENDANCE:-

Mrs Laura Tams, Town Clerk, Inspector Ian Muirhead.

CHAIRMAN

(MAYOR):-

Councillor DT Davies

1. To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Cllrs. S Davies, S Hamer-Thomas and A Higgs.

2. Declaration of Interest or dispensations on any items(s).

Cllr D Morgan declared an interest in Young @ Hearts, Greater Bargoed Partnership, Tarragan and Gilfach Community Centre.
Cllr D Price declared an interest in Greater Bargoed Partnership and Tarragan

3. Police Report

Inspector Muirhead gave the following report –

Crime rate has increased slightly. Local issues include dwelling and non-dwelling burglaries, although arrests have been made residents are reminded to remain vigilant.

Anti-Social Behaviour within the town and Bus Station area continues, this is being monitored by the police and will remain a priority for the area along with parking within the Town.

A Gwent Police recruitment drive is currently taking place.

A reminder to all members that a police surgery takes place every week.

Discussion took part in relation to the gate to the side of the Town Hall; the Inspector was asked to remain staff that this should be locked at all times.

The Inspector was thanked for his time and left the meeting.

4. <u>To consider the minutes from the last council meeting and whether to approve as an accurate record of the proceedings.</u>

Approved as an accurate record with the exception of – Cllr S Horton who was present at council.

5. Matters arising from the minutes

None:

6. Mayors Business

Mayor DT Davies gave the following report -

Visited Mr and Mrs Ward who celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Attended the official opening of the Square Royal Public House.

Attended the Roald Dahl event at Bargoed Library; the event was very well organised and enjoyed by all.

7. Leaders Report

Leader V Stephens gave the following report -

Attended a meeting with Mr Jeff Cuthbert, Police Commissioner. Very informative meeting.

8. Matters reported for decision.

8.1 To receive Grant Applications

Group	Unique number	For	Amount	Last Grant
Cefn Fforest Jazz Band	030916	Purchase New Uniform	£300	Not within year
Bargoed & District Gardening Club	010916	Equipment	£300	Not within year
Markham Playground	020916	Equipment for new play area	Council's decision.	NA

RESOLVED: 030916 – More information requested. 010916 - £300 approved. 020916 – Unfortunately this is not within the boundaries of Greater Bargoed and can therefore not be supported.

8.2 To consider planning notifications

16/0656/FULL - East view, Bargoed. Development of site into residential dwellings.

Please note that declaration of interest on this application from - Cllr A Higgs. Cllr DT Davies and Cllr D Price.

RESOLVED:

Bargoed Town Council wishes to make the following observations to the above proposed development.

The access to the site is from a busy main road through the lower end of Bargoed, this entrance is often obstructed and driver's views restricted due to the number of vehicles that park in the vicinity. Members are concerned that should this development go ahead then this will lead to further congestion and potential accidents. Members also have concern that this development will increase parking on this narrow entrance and lead to further traffic issues.

Operatives must pay due care and attention to local residents parking etc. Construction Plant that could cause a hazard due to size etc. to local residents should not be parked / left on the road in the evenings.

Bargoed Town Council request that if this application is approved that the following conditions are considered -

- Building time is restricted to

Mon - Fri, 8am - 5pm and Saturday 8am - 12 noon.

- Cleansing of the area and surrounding street is completed daily.

8.3 To receive correspondence

- 1. CCBC Letter and report is respect of the Task and Finish Group reviewing highway owned council car parks (please note interests of declaration received from Cllr DT Davies and D Price). Invitation to meeting on 27th October at 10am in Penallta House. **RESOLVED**: Members most concerned at the proposals to charge at such Bargoed car parks that are currently free to use. Cllr H Llewellyn nominated to speak at this meeting on behalf of the council.
- 2. Gerald Jones MP Letter in relation to a named constituent expressing concern for the condition of the skate park in barged. **RESOLVED**: Clerk has replied accordingly.

8.4 Payments for approval.

Members received a financial report from the clerk. **RESOLVED**: All payments approved.

9. To receive matters arising from the Clerk.

The Clerk has been informed that the hours of the Customer Service Centre within Bargoed Library has been reduced, the centre will now be closed all day on a Thursday. **RESOLVED:** Members concerned with this decision by CCBC and lack of consultation. Clerk to arrange a meeting with CCBC Officers to discuss.

10. Events

<u>Firework Display</u> – (Friday 4th November, 6.30pm) Two banners to be purchased to advertise this event. Clerk to confirm that library toilets will be open for the evening. Discussions took place concerning the celebrity to open the event - approved in principle. Clerk to contact CCBC in relation to using the whole car park area. Classic Caterers to be invited to the event. Members agreed on 4 fun fair attractions this year.

<u>Grotto</u> – (Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th December, 11am – 4pm) **RESOLVED**: Members approved expenditure of £3000 for the event this year. The Grotto will

be free of charge to the public this year.

<u>Christmas lighting</u> - Clerk awaiting costs from Elsbury. **RESOLVED**: Budget for Christmas lighting to be delegated to the Leader, Mayor and Clerk.

11. Town and Community Council Liaison Meeting

Clir H Llewellyn informed members that the authority is undertaking a consultation. "The Caerphilly you want". This is linked to the Future Generations consultation in line with Welsh Government Policy. Members were encouraged to complete this consultation.

12. Any other business raised by the members

Members requested that the area surrounding the Town Hall is pressure washed. **RESOLVED:** Clerk to contact the Police Authority to request.

13. Date of next meeting

5th October 2016.

Signed Mayor 5 - 10 - 2016