

BARGOED TOWN COUNCIL

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To the Mayor and Members of
Bargoed Town Council.

26th October 2017

Dear Councillor,

The next meeting of the council will be held at **6.00pm on Wednesday 1st November 2017** at the Town Hall.

Yours faithfully,

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

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 consider the minutes of the last Council Meeting and whether to approve as an accurate record of the proceedings
5. Matters arising from the minutes

6. Mayors Business

7. Leaders Report

8. Matters reported for decision

- 8.1 To consider grant applications
- 8.2 To receive planning notifications
- 8.3 To receive correspondence
- 8.4 To receive financial update and approval of Town Council Cheques.

9. To receive matters arising from the Clerk

- Payments To Members of Community and Town Councils (Draft)

10. Events

11. Precept 2018-19

12. Community Council Liaison Meeting update

13. Adopt Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils, if appropriate.

14. Mayors Regalia

15. AOB at the discretion of the Mayor.

16. Date of next meeting – 6th December 2017

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,

4th October 2017

PRESENT Councillors, A Collis, J Bissex, H Llewellyn, J Halvey, A Higgs,
COUNCILLORS V Stephens, L Harding, D Price, D Morgan.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mrs Laura Tams, Town Clerk; Inspector A O'Keefe; Mr Paul Hudson.

CHAIRPERSON
(MAYOR):- Councillor A Higgs

1. **To receive apologies for absence.**

Apologies received from Councillor S Horton, R Carroll and S Hamer-Thomas.

Cllr A Higgs opened the meeting in the absence of Mayor S Horton.

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

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

Cllr D Price declared an interest in Taraggan and Greater Bargoed Partnership.

3. **Police Report**

Members welcomed Inspector Andy O'Keefe. Inspector O'Keefe gave an update of staffing within the Police Station.

Discussions took place concerning the ongoing issues with illegal parking throughout the area, Parking issues throughout town - a meeting has taken place with Town Cllrs, CSC Officers and Cllr Sean Morgan, Cabinet Member for Infrastructure. The meeting was extremely positive and all in attendance saw the daily issues encountered by the general public. CSC Officers will now look at ways to resolve the illegal parking and further details will be presented once known. The Inspector asked for members help in informing traders throughout the town to park lawfully.

The Inspector reminded members that residents can report crime anonymously by calling 101 or Crime Stoppers.

4. **Paul Hudson, CCBC**

Paul Hudson, CCBC was welcomed by members. Mr Hudson spoke to members concerning the current pressures with the events budgets at CCBC. Discussions took place concerning the possibility of the Town Council taking on full responsibility

of the Open Air Cinema event. RESOLVED: Members agreed to further explore the possibility of this.

5. **To consider the minutes from the last council meeting and whether to approve as an accurate record of the proceedings.**

Approved as an accurate record.

6. **Matters arising from the minutes**

None.

7. **Mayors Business**

No report due to apologies.

8. **Leaders Report**

Leader V Stephens gave the following report:

A further meeting has taken place with the Health Board; they have confirmed that they will be managing the service at Bryntirion Surgery from 1st November.

Item not on agenda but members voted to allow discussions

Cllr A Higgs welcomed Natalie and Marilyn who spoke to council regarding the planned Splash Pad for Bargoed Park. Plans are in the infancy stages at the moment but a report will shortly be taken to Cabinet at CCBC. Council thanked both for their time and extended an invitation to the group once Cabinet has made its decision and further details are known.

9. **Matters reported for decision.**

9.1 **To receive Grant Applications**

Group	Unique number	For	Amount	Last Grant
Bargoed and District Gardening Club.	011017	Equipment	£300	October 2016
Aberbargoed Town FC	021017	Equipment	£300	NA
Gilfach & Bargoed Youth Club	031017	Equipment	£300	Not within last year.

Bargoed and District Table Tennis Club	041017	Equipment	£300	Not within last year.
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RESOLVED:

011017 - £300 approved
 021017 - £300 approved
 031017 - £300 approved
 041017 - £300 approved.

9.2 To consider planning notifications

Case Ref- 17/0759/FULL. Unit 3 and 4 Lowry Plaza, Hanbury Road. Install new shop fronts.

Case Ref – 17/0760/ADV. Unit 3 and 4 Lowry Plaza, Hanbury Road. Install 1 fascia sign and 1 projecting sign.

RESOLVED: Noted.

9.3 To receive correspondence

1. Audra Mirjah-Clarke Post Office Ltd – Re – Mcdonnell Road Post Office. Writing to inform council that, regrettably, following the resignation of the Postmaster and the withdrawal of the premises for Post Office use, the branch will be closing temporarily on Wednesday 27th September 2017.

Payments for approval.

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Payee</u>
9.4	£6,887.74	Election recharges – Election May 2017	CCBC
	£500	Climbing Wall x 2 (event)	CCBC
	£500	Section 137 grant	TARAGGAN
	£1000	Open Air Cinema contribution	CCBC
	£1507.44	Salary related payments	Clerk, HMRC and Torfaen Pension

RESOLVED: All payments approved. Members agreed that election costs should be paid from balances/reserves.

10. To receive matters arising from the Clerk.

The Clerk reminded representatives of the Bargoed Town Centre Management group that a Meeting is taking place on 11th October at 4pm.

The Clerk brought to the attention of members a request from CCBC and Gelligaer Community Council to hire the Grotto for an event in Ystrad Mynach. **RESOLVED:** Discussions took place and members felt that in order to prolong the lifespan of the grotto that no use other than the Town Councils Grotto once yearly should be allowed. Request reluctantly refused.

11. Adopt Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils, if appropriate.

Deferred to next meeting.

12. Events

Fireworks – RESOLVED: Expenditure approved for barriers and £2000 for funfair rides. Event will commence at 6pm.

Senior Citizens Party – Discussions took place concerning a new entertainer for the event. RESOLVED: Clerk to make further enquiries. Gilfach Workmen's Hall to be booked along with catering for Friday 20th April 2018 subject to availability.

Christmas Lights – RESOLVED: Christmas lighting switch on will take place on Saturday 26th November during the Christmas market celebrations. Discussion took place concerning the potential of a Cinema Screening at this event – Clerk to ascertain further details but expenditure approved in principle.

13. Town and Community Council Liaison Meeting.

Cllr H Llewelyn informed members that a presentation had taken place concerning the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) at the last meeting. RESOLVED: Clerk to invite a CCBC Officer to explain this further to members.

14. Mayors Chain of Office

Chain of office - Clerk to email designs to all members for their views.

15. To receive draft income and expenditure for 2018-19

Deferred to next meeting for accuracy.

16. To agree Precept for 2018-19

Deferred to next meeting.

17. Any other business raised by the members

Memorial Bench at Park – Clerk to obtain costs to replace with a more sustainable design.

Poppy Appeal, Silent Soldier – Cllr A Higgs to supply the Clerk with details of how to purchase a Silent Soldier. RESOLVED: Expenditure for one Silent Soldier approved at an approximate cost of £250, this will then be placed within Bargoed.

Bulb planting near the Miners Heads discussed RESOLVED: Expenditure approved for bulb planting at the area.

18. Date of next meeting

1st November 2017.

Signed S. Horton Mayor