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### **Draft Unapproved Minutes of the Community Engagement Committee Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024.**

Present: Councillors DT Williams; C Andrews; M Ingram-Jones; J Bissex

Also in Attendance: Mrs H Williams, Clerk, Mr T Oliver, Deputy Clerk

Meeting Chairperson: Councillor C Andrews

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the Community Engagement Committee Meeting.

1. To receive apologies of absence.

Councillor D Ingram-Jones (work)

2. To receive Declaration of Interests or dispensations on any item(s) on the Agenda.

There were no declarations of interest or dispensations.

3. Press and Public Participation Session.

There were no members of the press or public present.

4. To receive and approve the draft unapproved minutes of the Community Engagement Committee Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

- The minutes were received and approved by the Committee.

5. To reflect on informal lunch with prospective Youth Representatives and appoint accordingly.

- Members reflected on the two meetings held with prospective Youth Representatives and made recommendations that will be brought to Full Council. They expressed appreciation for all candidates and will formally appoint once a decision is ratified by Full Council.

6. To receive updates from the Chairperson on the Community Engagement Session held at Bargoed Community Centre on March 15<sup>th</sup> 2024 for the Committee to make arrangements for future sessions.

- The committee received a verbal update from the Chairperson on the Community Engagement Session held on March 15<sup>th</sup> 2024. It was noted that Members were able to speak to residents. The committee discussed plans for the next Community Engagement Session to be held in May 2024 and instructed the Deputy Clerk make the necessary arrangements.

7. To receive updates from the Clerk on the Working Group's progress with the Community Engagement questionnaire, to authorise expenditure and instruct the Clerk regarding Member's requirements at the Spring Fair 2024.
  - The committee reviewed the Working Group's progress with the Engagement questionnaire and made final edits to the online and paper versions. Members decided to use the questionnaire as an engagement initiative at the Summer Festival instead of the Spring Festival and therefore will authorise expenditure at a later date.

The Chairperson thanked the committee and closed the meeting at 2:29pm.