



Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting 7th July 2025

Present: Councillors H Llewellyn; R Carrol; P Collins; Y Price; J McCarthy; D Ingram-Jones; M Ingram-Jones; C Andrews; S Hamer-Thomas; C Bissex-Foster; J Bissex

Chairperson: Councillor H Llewellyn

Also Present: Mr. T Oliver (Deputy Clerk / Deputy RFO)

1. To receive Apologies for Absence
 - No apologies received.
2. To receive Declaration of Interests or dispensations on any item(s) on this Agenda, if appropriate.
 - No declarations received.
3. Press and Public Participation Session.
 - No members of the press or public present.
4. To receive a verbal report from the Deputy Clerk and consider the Town Council Sports Scheme subsidies; Members to issue instructions to the Deputy Clerk as appropriate.

The Deputy Clerk provided a verbal report outlining three options for the administration of the Town Council Sports Scheme subsidies:

- I. Maintain the existing postcode system used in the previous year's scheme.
- II. Review and revise the postcode system by adding or removing specific postcodes.
- III. Expand the scheme to include all postcodes in Bargoed, Aberbargoed, and Gilfach, making free spaces available to all residents on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the resolution passed by Full Council on 18 June 2025 was incompatible with Caerphilly County Borough Council's fee structure, making it unfeasible to offer the scheme at reduced rates.

Following a robust discussion, Members RESOLVED to adopt Option 3, thereby including all postcodes in Bargoed, Aberbargoed, and Gilfach in the subsidy scheme. Free spaces will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, with a maximum of three sessions per child.

Members instructed the Deputy Clerk to:

- Liaise with officers at Caerphilly County Borough Council to obtain data on the success of the scheme.
- Promote the scheme through local primary schools and the Town Council's social media channels.

The Mayor thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 6:30 PM.