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Minutes of the Meeting of the Events Committee held at the Council Chamber, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina. Immediately following the Meeting of the Town Council on Tuesday 25th April 2023.

A meeting to which members of the public were entitled to attend.

Present: Councillor K Jenkins, Chair of the Events Committee,
Presiding Councillors D Hillman; C Hillman (remotely); M Williams (remotely), L King & K Jones JP

In attendance: Mrs T Hughes, Town Clerk / RFO
Mrs N Horner, Assistant Officer

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Town Clerk informed that no members of the press or public were in attendance. **Resolved** to note the information received.

Declaration of Interest

Members were invited to declare matters of interest either at the beginning or at any time during the proceedings. Please note that all declarations of interest must be recorded in the book provided.

Resolved to note that there was declaration of interest declared.

- 1. Apologies:** Members were invited to consider the apologies for absence received and to formally resolve to accept.

Resolved to note that apologies were received from
and **Further Resolved** to accept the apologies received.

- 2. Questions from the public:** To receive any questions from the public on matters on the agenda.

Resolved to note that there were no questions from public received.

3. Correspondence:

Members are invited to consider the listed correspondence, plus with the Chair's permission, any urgent information that may well be received prior to the date of the meeting.

a) Quotations and plant suggestions for planters from Chair of Events (Quote, copy attached):

Quote for planters.

A discussion ensued regarding the quotes from catalogues and the number of plants required would be 20 – 25 for each planter, at an estimate total of £243.00. Pansies and marigolds were the suggested plants. Chair also, requested if miracle grow could be purchased at a cost of £13.00. All present agreed for the items to be purchased.

A discussion took place regarding where to place the old tubs when replaced with the new larger tubs. Cwmcelyn is to receive one and the others can be placed where previous tubs have been stolen.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** for Chair to purchase the required plants and miracle grow for planting.

b) Email from Daniel Wheelock, Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council, (copy attached):

Advising that Armed Forces Day event will be held on Sunday 25th June 2023.

Chair is to diarise event for his attendance.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** for Chair, then to be Town Mayor to diarise the event for his attendance.

c) Email from Ystruth Primary School. (Copy attached)

Thanking Town Council for the donation of easter eggs

Resolved to note information received.

Additional correspondence: Emailed received from Alyson Tippins at BGCBC, explaining on 5th July, the National Health Service is 75 years old. We hope you can join with us to celebrate this event and tell everyone that this corner of Wales is where it all began.

Firstly, If you want to badge any of your events as part of the celebration, I can send you the logo in a higher resolution and different formats.

Secondly, we would like to dress our town centres up, perhaps keep the coronation bunting up for an extra couple of months so. If you wish to host a window dressing competition, I can supply you with a branded trophy for the winners.

AO to ascertain what support Town Centre Manager would like from Town Council. Cllr Jones suggested that the Town Council could purchase a large rock and have it plaque with an inscription of a memorial for all those who lost their lives to Covid 19. A discussion ensued regarding the works that maybe being carried out on the square.

AO to email BGCBC to ascertain if any repair works is planned on the area.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** for AO to contact BGCBC to enquire if repair work is planned for the area on the square, High Street, Blaina.

4. Compost: Chair to give an update.

Chair asked for a show of hands to help deliver the compost to the new planters and the best possible date, so AO can arrange with the local contractor to get the planters delivered.

It was suggested that AO ask the nursery if Town Council can for the compost upfront and have the delivery be made sometime in May.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** to pay for compost upfront and arrange for delivery sometime in May.

5. ARC Awards: Town Council Members to discuss the format of Arc Awards. *(Copies of categories and application from attached).*

- a) ARC categories
- b) ARC Application Form

Cllr D Hillman abstained from any part of the topic as he stated he cannot remember any discussion that members weren't able to be voted for any categories within the ARC awards. Cllr C Hillman also, confirmed that she cannot recall any discussion that members weren't permitted to be voted, Cllr C Hillman went on to say that she can only recall that members weren't permitted to compete in the In Bloom Competition.

Cllr C Hillman asked for the copy of the minutes where the discussion took place for no members to be voted within the ARC awards.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** for minutes to be presented of when the discussion took place for Town Council members not to be voted in any category for the ARC awards nominations.

6. In Bloom: Town Council Members to discuss In Bloom competition and to consider judges for independent marking. *(Copy attached of application form).*

- a) Application Form

Chair thanked AO for the poster.

A discussion ensued regarding judges for the competition and suggestions put forward were to invite Nadine again from BGCBC and the manager from Aberbeeg Garden Centre.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** to invite Nadine from BGCBC and Garden Centre manager from Aberbeeg.

7. **Coronation:** AO explained that 3 application forms returned, despite several emails sent out. Cwm Celyn House, Llys Y Capel and Riverside Flats have taken up the offer, Cwmcelyn with 24 residents, Llys Y Capel 32 and Riverside Flats 27 residents.

Cllr L Harris and Cllr K Jenkins asked if they could go around each of the sheltered accommodations and introduce themselves. AO will ask each complex and let Cllr I Harris know.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** to enquire with accommodations to see if Town Mayor and Councillor Jenkins are able to visit the coronation parties.

Meeting declared closed at 19:35