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Minutes of the hybrid Meeting of the Events Committee held at the Council Chamber, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina at 6pm On Tuesday 26th November 2024.

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

Present: Councillor M Williams, presiding
Presiding: Councillors D Hillman, L Emanuel, L King, L Higgins
& C Hillman

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

Due to the absence of the Chair and Deputy of the Events Committee it was **Resolved** that Town Mayor chair the meeting.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Town Clerk informed that no members of the public or press 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 declarations were received from AO, N Horner and Cllr L Higgins in Point 4, Venue hire to hold an information day.

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 Apologies received from Cllr G Morvan, K Jones & L Harris
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 was no public or press in attendance and no questions from the public were received.

3. Correspondence:

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

- a) Hand delivered poster by Cllr Lisa Winnett regarding Blaina Christmas Family Funday on Saturday 30th November '24.

No help needed Karen Williams confirmed Just having members there enjoying themselves would be lovely.

Members thought that the logo was not prominent as it was not legible and that it could have been made larger. It was suggested for the poster to read what the Town council has supported.

Resolved to note information received.

Additional correspondence received with permission of the Chair:

Email from ann.toghill@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk (Ysgol Bro Helyg Primary School).

Explained that unfortunately they were not able to find a bus company to transport the children to and from the Christmas Concert.

Received to note information received.

4. Venue Hire to hold an information day meeting.

Members discussed and considered venue hire, costs, and hours. It was agreed AO, N Horner and L Higgins could remain in the meeting. In the respect of the query half day or full day, it was agreed the most appropriate would be a full day. The venues at Nantyglo were discussed and it was agreed that Winchestown OAP hall was more suited due to the size.

Cllr L Higgins clarified that the cost for a whole day at St Peters Church would be £100 and not £250 as previously quoted.

It was resolved that AO, N Horner and Cllr L Higgins left the meeting at this juncture. It was noted that the meeting was not quorate and such decision would need ratification at a future meeting. Members considered both venues for the event and was unable to determine which venue would be the most appropriate. In order to make a decision it was agreed and decided that the venue choice would be vire a toss of a coin, upon which the venue was agreed the Cwtch.

Members agreed that March 2025 would be a suitable time of the year to run the events,

Resolved to note information received and **agreed** that Winchestown OAP Hall and The Cwtch are the venues to hold the information days sometime in March 2025.

To be **ratified** at a future meeting.

5. Party in the Park Joint Summer Event):

Data provided by ALCC, Clerk from Party in The Park 2023 and the photos of 2024 event and Members discussed if they would like to work in partnership with ALCC for Party in The Park 2025.

Members considered the information, and members agreed that no commitment to support an event outside Nantyglo and Blaina could be made, also members agreed that Council were not financially able to contribute. However, they support in principle and would like to wish ALCC all the very best and appreciate all their good work.

Resolved to note information received and **Further Resolved** to inform ALCC that Council is not able to support on this occasion but with them well and thanked them for the offer to support them.

6. Christmas Light Bracket.

Contractor Russel Dunham confirmed that's he would not have enough time this side of Xmas to install new brackets, he will look into pricing them in the New Year and will get back with a quote.

Resolved to note information received.

7. Planters:

Members discussed the tiding and replanting of planters throughout the areas in Nantyglo and Blaina.

Members discussed that the planters need maintenance.

Resolved to agenda for February 2025 for maintenance in March 2025.

8. Free swimming sessions during summer school holidays

Members discussed the possibility of providing free swimming sessions during the summer school holidays 2025. AO confirmed that Town Council would be eligible to apply to funding from Sports Council Wales in April 2025 to put the event on.

Members agreed the event is an excellent opportunity for our community during the summer school holidays. It was discussed that half a day would be best suited.

Resolved and **further resolved** to hold 2 swim sessions for half day each during the summer school holidays.

9. Miners Memorial, Off High Street, Blaina.

Members discussed the ongoing maintenance and asked for BGCBC to be informed to maintain the area.

Resolved and further resolved to

10. Christmas Carol Concert:

A reminder that concert will take place on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 at Ystruth Primary School, doors open at 4 pm starts at 4:30 pm. AO confirmed that invitations from Executive Assistant to Her Honour Helen Mifflin DL, The High Sheriff of Gwent 2024 – 25 and The Deputy Lord-Lieutenant Mrs. Susan Gwyer Roberts DL will be attending the Christmas Carol Concert.

Cllr D Hillman and Cllr C Hillman gave their apologies as they are at another event.

Resolved to note information received.

Meeting declared closed at 19:45 pm