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Minutes of the hybrid meeting of the Events Committee held at 6.35pm on Tuesday 25th November 2025 at the Council Chamber, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina.

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

Present: Councillor L Higgins, Chair of Events Committee, presiding
Councillors K Jones JP; D Hillman; C Hillman (remotely); L Harris; D Wright;
M Evans; W Lewis; M Williams (remotely); L Emanuel; D Finch & S Howlett

In attendance: Mrs T Hughes, Town Clerk / RFO
Mr K Rowland, Assistant Officer

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 Cllr L Higgins declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 3a.

1. Apologies:

Members were invited to consider the apologies for absence received and to formally resolve to accept.

Resolved that apologies were received from Councillors G Morvan, E Singleton and A Fryer. **Further Resolved** that the apologies be accepted.

2. Questions from the public:

To receive any questions from the public regarding matters on the agenda. Please note that this was limited to 10 minutes.

Resolved to note that no such questions were received and **Further Resolved** that no members of the public or press were in attendance.

3. Correspondence:

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

Resolved to note that a declaration of non-pecuniary interest received from Councillor L Higgins for item 3.a).

a) Santa's Grotto at St Peters Church, Blaina (for information):

Information received from Town Centre Manager Karen Williams regarding a Santa's Grotto event to be held at St Peters Church in Blaina.

All members were welcome to attend the free event.

Resolved to note the information received.

b) Mural Update from TCM Karen Williams (for information and consideration)

The Town Clerk provided a verbal update in respect of information received from Karen Williams, Town Centre Manager at Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council.

During latest conversations with Town Centre Manager Karen Williams, the Town Clerk updated members that at this time, the project was facing a delay due to the business owner moving after the Christmas period. Communication was being sought with the premises owner to further progress on the mural project.

Resolved to note the information received.

4. **Xmas Schools Concert Update (for information)**

The Primary Schools Joint Christmas Carol Concert would take place on Tuesday 2nd December 2025 at 4.30pm (doors opened at 4pm) at Ystruth Primary School.

Coed Y Garn Primary School and Blaen y Cwm Primary Schools would also be taking part although Ysgol Bro Helyg would not be participating this year and gave their apologies but hope to take part in the future with events involving the schools. Small selection packs have been purchased and will be given out by Santa to all children who attend (as resolved at a previous meeting) at the end of the concert. All Members of Nantyglo and Blaina Town Council were welcome to attend the event. Members were also informed that Mrs Susan Gwyer-Roberts, Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Gwent would also be in attendance.

Member enquired as to whether too many selection packs had been purchased as Ysgol Bro Helyg were not attending this year. The Town Clerk informed members that attendance numbers had been taken for school pupils who would be at the concert and an appropriate number of selection packs had been purchased

Resolved to note the information received

Meeting declared closed at 6:45 pm