

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL OF ABERTILLERY AND
LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY COUNCIL (ALCC) HELD ON 23 June 2021 at 7:00pm
Virtually & in the Council Chamber,
Mitre Street, Abertillery**

PRESENT: Councillors:

Gary Oakley (Chair), Nick Simmons (Vice Chair), Peter Adamson, Tracey Dyson, Mark Lewis, Bev Lucas, Perry Morgan, Rob Phillips, Allen Rees, Bernard Wall, Graham White

Officers: Steve Edwards-Clerk Sian Hookins-Admin Assistant

Others: None

ABSENT: Michaela Assiratti, Vanessa Bartlett, Roger Clark, Glyn Smith

71. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND WELCOMES

Cllr Michaela Assiratti - Personal

72. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

73. Minutes:

a. Full Council 28th April 2021

RESOLVED – to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record

b. Annual Meeting 19th May 2021

RESOLVED – to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record

c. Full Council 26th May 2021

RESOLVED – to correct the misspelling of Cllr Beverley Lucas and to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record

74. Foundry Bridge Car Park

RESOLVED - to be sent to the Leisure & Tourism Committee.

75. Accounts 2020/21

The Clerk updated the Council on the progress of the accounts.

The Year End close down has now been completed in the accounting software with 2 sets of accounts to move to the change from Receipts and Payments to Income Expenditure.

The Clerk has also been working with the new internal auditor.

The Clerk stated that the accounts would be late and apologised for the delay.

76. School Governors

Former Cllr Gill Clark wishes to remain as a school governor.

Not all schools have a council governor and the Council has filled the two vacancies it is required to do.

77. Councillor Vacancies

The Clerk informed the council that the notices for the 4 vacancies are out and if after the 14 days' notice no election is called then they will go up for co-option.

Council will look at the co-option process when required

78. Off the Streets

The council had a brief discussion about the organisation.

RESOLVED – Cllr Alan Rees & Cllr Perry Morgan will find out further information about the organisation and its fundraising and bring a report back to the July meeting.

79. Re-Rendering of Wall backing onto War Memorial – Following a brief discussion about the potential quote.

RESOLVED – The Clerk to create a brief report into why in 2017 the council rejected the idea of re-rendering this wall. To include the potential liability risks to the council.

80. Lighting at War Memorial

RESOLVED – to be sent to the Leisure and Tourism Committee and for the committee to review their budget regarding the uplift on the original cost.

81. IT Strategy

RESOLVED – To accept the IT Strategy and to give the Clerk the authority to seek out IT companies who can provide this. The Clerk will obtain quotes and return to the council for future discussion

82. Grants – Orpheus Male Choir

RESOLVED – To reject the application for funding. The Council wish the Clerk to advise the Choir that if they manage to gain the rest of the funding the choir can apply for the £500 at a later date,

83. Defibrillator in Abertillery Park

RESOLVED – To use the spare council defibrillator kept at the office and to purchase a cabinet to site it on the bowls club.

Introduction of Standing Order 6 (a) (xvii)

To facilitate the conclusion of the agenda as set, to extend the limit of the meeting for not longer than a period of 15 minutes.

84. Mynydd Carn-y-Cefn Wind Farm Proposals

RESOLVED – To send to the Environment and Planning Committee

85. Date and Time of Next Meeting confirmed to be 28th July 2021 @ 7pm

Meeting Closed at 9.12pm

Signed as a correct record by the Chair

Minutes produced by Sian Hookins, Admin Assistant