

**EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY
COUNCIL (ALCC) HELD ON 4 October 2024 AT 6.00pm
in the Council Chamber at Council Offices, Mitre Street, Abertillery.**

PRESENT

Councillors: Tracey Dyson (Chair), Peter Adamson, Steve Bard, Bruno Góes Maciel, Lucy Harmer, Ralph Henderson MBE, Chris Hill, Mark Lewis, Wayne Lewis, Barrie Page, Rob Phillips, Josh Rawcliffe, Nick Simmons,

Apologies: Glyn Smith. Mike Whatley.

Absent: Ben Owen-Jones, Bernard Wall, Graham White.

Officers: Steve Edwards (Clerk), Erika Davies (Deputy Clerk), Molly Jones (Deputy Clerk).

71. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Glyn Smith. Mike Whatley.

72. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Councillor Steve Bard and Councillor Mark Lewis declared an interest in the Solar Farm Grant agenda item, as they had connections to organisations that were applying for the grants

Council **RESOLVED** to allow a dispensation to both members to enable them to fully take part for this meeting only in relation to the Solar Farm Grant applications

73. Solar Farm Grant Applications 2024.

There were 3 voting rounds and each Councillor was given many opportunities to discuss the applications. It was generally agreed that all the applications had merit.

Council **RESOLVED** that the following Solar Farm Grant applications were successful and that officers should inform the Solar Farm Company of the Councils decisions.

- Friends of Blaenau Gwent Village and Roseheyworth Park - £29,506 for Park benches and play equipment.
- Abertillery Town Band - £7,300 for Refurbishment of Instruments
- Abertillery Learning Community - £7,180 to replace grounds gates and installing rugby posts.
- St Ilyds Minster Area - £25,000 to install a sustainable heating system in St Michaels Church.

There remained £1,014 of the £70,000 allocated Council **RESOLVED** for the officers to approach the Abertillery Bowls and Cricket Club and offer them this funding to go towards their roof.

The meeting ended at 7:28 pm

Minutes produced by Steve Edwards, Clerk.

Signed as a correct record by the Chair.....

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