

MEETING OF THE PLANNING, COMMERCE AND ENVIRONMENT (PlaCE) COMMITTEE OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON 17 January 2024 at 6.00 pm at Council Offices, Mitre Street, Abertillery.

PRESENT

Councillors: Nick Simmons (Chair), Peter Adamson, Barrie Page Chris Hill, Mark Lewis,

Officers: Steve Edwards (Clerk), Erika Davies (Deputy Clerk) via video link

Others: Paul Harrington (Blaenau Gwent Car Scheme); Mark Logan (Wellbeing Director at The Bridges Centre)

ABSENT: Rob Phillips, Josh Rawcliffe.

31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Rob Phillips, Josh Rawcliffe.

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OR DISPENSATIONS

None.

33. MINUTES – 13 December 2023

The Committee **RESOLVED** to amend the draft minutes. Item 26 replace “2023” with “2024” and following the amendment that the minutes were a true and correct record.

34. COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SCHEME

The Committee heard from Paul Harrington and Mark Logan concerning the current scheme. A number of points were raised.

- The primary reason for the scheme is to transport people to and from hospital
- The Council has a budget of £3,000 for this year and £5,000 for 2024/2025
- The scheme currently has 5 active drivers and 130 registered passengers.
- One person had used the scheme twice a week for the last 18 months.
- Passengers pay 45p per mile.
- The main issue is the lack of drivers.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to delegate to the officers to issue a leaflet to all households in the area to recruit more volunteer drivers.

35. TOWN IN BLOOM

The Committee **RESOLVED** to make a number of amendments below to the draft TIB tender document.

- Include a requirement to assist and advise Community Groups.
- Include a requirement for school engagement.
- All tubs to be numbered for identification purposes.
- The officers will confirm the numbers of Tubs/Planters and Hanging Baskets with the current contractor.

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Date:

13/3/24

36. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

No date for the next meeting set.

The meeting ended at 7:05. pm.

Signed as a correct Record by the

Chair..... *N-JE* Date. *12/3/24*

Minutes produced by Steve Edwards, Clerk.

Initials : *N JE* Date: *12/3/24*