

MEETING OF THE PLANNING, COMMERCE AND ENVIRONMENT (PlaCE) COMMITTEE OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON 27 March 2024 at 6.00 pm at Council Offices, Mitre Street, Abertillery.

PRESENT

Councillors: Nick Simmons (Chair), Peter Adamson, Barrie Page, Rob Phillips, Josh Rawcliffe.

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

Others: Neil Hirst, Tillery Action For You Ltd (TAFY)

ABSENT: Mark Lewis, Chris Hill.

49. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Chris Hill. Introductions were also made to Neil Hirst

50. Declarations of interest or dispensations

Josh Rawcliffe declared an interest in the Town in Bloom Tender, as he has assisted TAFY at Aberbeeg community Centre.

51. Minutes – 13 March

The Committee **RESOLVED** to amend the draft minutes as follows

- Item 43 – Replace “Rob Phillips, treasurer” with “Rob Phillips, secretary”
- Item 46 – Delete from suggesting that” to the end of the paragraph.

The Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes, with the above amendments, are a true and correct record.

52. Town in Bloom – Tender.

There had only been one tender received, from TAFY. Neil Hirst gave a brief background on TAFY and how they worked toward making young people (mostly young men 16-25) employable by giving them skills and teaching them about Health and Safety.

If successful TAFY would allocate a Horticulturist to lead on our project. They would also work closely with schools in our area.

The Committee asked a number of questions, concerning numbers of vehicles, how things would be managed during school holidays, local buying and using compost from BGCB.

Neil Hirst was asked to leave the room while the Committee debated the decisions.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to award the five-year contract to TAFY. The Contract to be signed by the Clerk and the Chair of Council on behalf of Council and is based on the tender received.

Neil Hirst returned to the meeting.

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TAFY will provide quarterly updates. The first plants will have to be bought in as there is no time to plant and grow new ones. Payment will be made quarterly in arrears on production of invoice.

TAFY will arrange with Erika Davies a full site visit to number barrels and baseline current assets that are in place.

Erika Davies will be the point of contact for TAFY during the contract period for anything concerning Town in Bloom, TAFY will only act on her, or an officer's instructions.

53. Date of next meeting

No date set.

The meeting ended at 6:47pm.

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

Date.....

Minutes produced by Steve Edwards, Clerk.

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