

**MEETING OF THE PLANNING, COMMERCE AND ENVIRONMENT (PlaCE) COMMITTEE OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON 02 Sep 2024 at 6:15 pm at Council Offices, Mitre Street, Abertillery.**

**PRESENT**

**Councillors:** Barrie Page (Chair), Nick Simmons, Mark Lewis, Peter Adamson, Chris Hill, Josh Rawcliffe, Rob Phillips and Ralph Henderson.

**Officers:** Steve Edwards (Clerk), Erika Davies and Molly Jones (Deputy Clerks)

**Apologies:** None

**Absent:** None

**36. Apologies for absence**

None

**37. Declarations of interest or dispensations**

None

**38. Minutes – 08 July 2024**

The Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes are a true and correct record.

**39. Planning (Standing Item)**

No planning issues were reported.

**40. Bleed Kits**

After much discussion and considering different scenarios, the Committee **RESOLVED** not to proceed with the purchase and introduction of bleed kits.

**41. Biodiversity Report**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to accept the Biodiversity report and recommend it to Full Council with the following amendments: -

- Correct the spelling error on the last page
- Include the budget for the community tubs within the report

**42. 20mph Speed Limits**

Following a public consultation, the Committee **RESOLVED** for officers to feedback to BGCBC the following: -

- Send BGCBC the results from our public consultation
- Request that Aberbeeg Road (Warm Turn) reverts from 20mph back to 30mph
- Request that BGCBC introduce traffic calming measures from Bournville Road to Gladstone Street in an effort to enforce the 20mph limit.

**43. Defibrillator Map**

The Committee were pleased with the map and the amount of views it has received on ALCC social media platforms.

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The Committee **RESOLVED** not to proceed with producing a paper leaflet as it intends to add more defibrillators next year so any paper map would soon be out of date. There are also 24-hour access defibrillators that are not managed by ALCC and these can be removed/decommissioned at any time, therefore making the paper map redundant.

#### 44. Letter to John Mewett

Cllr. Ralph Henderson MBE requested that the Committee write a letter of thanks to John Mewett of BGCBC for all his hard work and dedication to litter picking and cleaning up the area. Cllr. Rob Phillips also mentioned the amount of help that John gives to Ffrindiau Tyleri which they are very grateful for. The Committee **RESOLVED** that the Chair, Barrie Page, would write the letter and it would be signed by himself and the Clerk, Steve Edwards.

#### 45. Town in Bloom

The Committee **RESOLVED** to place the remaining hanging baskets at the following locations –

- 6 at Stute Gardens
- 2 at Fradd's Café in Church Street. This is with the condition that the shop front is in a good condition.

Cllr. Mark Lewis stated that the flowers in the tubs in Bournville had been eaten by sheep again. The Committee **RESOLVED** for officers to ask TAFY if there is anything that can be fitted to the tubs to stop the sheep being able to eat the flowers.

The Committee **RESOLVED** that officers are to get a price from TAFY for the provision of new hanging baskets.

#### 46. Budget 25/26

The Committee reviewed their budget line for 25/26 and **RESOLVED** the following: –

- Town in Bloom – Increase by £1000 to £15000 to purchase 10 new tubs
- Town in Bloom Community Involvement – Remain at £3000
- Remove Shop Local, Halloween Events and Car Boot Sales from the budget
- Combine Community Council Activities Support and Grant Funding to Ffrindiau Tyleri as one budget line. Increase the budget by £2500 making the new total £10000 as Ffrindiau Tyleri will lose their 'Levelling Up' funding from BGCBC in 2025 but will continue to put on 4 events.
- Allotments – Increase by £150 to £850 due to Pant y Pwydn rent increase
- Provision of new Community Defibrillators – Remain at £3000
- Maintenance of Community Defibrillators – Reduce by £2000 making the new total £1500
- Environmental Projects – Set budget to zero. Recommend to Full Council that £10000 is put into Ear Marked Reserves for future environmental projects such as the Subway Mural and Community Asset Transfer.
- Community Transport – Reduce by £2500 making the new total £2500

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**47. Climate Energy Plan**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to proceed with an expression of interest in the scheme.  
Officers will contact the Energy Learning Network.

**48. Date of next meeting**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm

Minutes produced by Erika Davies, Deputy Clerk.

The meeting ended at 7:48pm

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

Date.....