

Croesawn ohebu yn Gymraeg a fydd gohebu yn y Gymraeg ddim yn arwain at oedi gormodol. Rhwch wybod inni beth yw'ch dewis iaith e.e. Cymraeg neu'n ddwyieithog

Mae Swyddfeydd y Cyngor fel arfer ar agor o ddydd Llun i ddydd Gwener 10am tan hanner dydd ac eithrio Gwyliau Banc
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Minutes of the November monthly meeting of Pontyclun Town Council held at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 9th November 2023.

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Minutes

1. To receive apologies for absence
 - a. **Apologies received from Councillors Binning, Owen S, Owen W, Sparks and Willis**
2. Disclosure of personal and pecuniary interest in items of business listed below in accordance with the Code of Conduct.
 - a. **No new disclosures made.**
3. Public presentations to Council
 - a. **There were no presentations.**
4. To confirm minutes of the Council's monthly meeting of 12th Oct. are a true record and discuss minor matters arising from them.
 - a. **The minutes were agreed as a true record. There were no matters arising.**
5. To consider report on Council Payments and finances
 - a. **The Council confirmed payments for August and September**
 - b. **The Council agreed to purchase of floral arrangements for summer 2024 including for an additional 2 planters at the War Memorial not included in the quote received.**
6. To receive update on Community Events in 2023/4
 - a. **The Council decided to review the Christmas shop fronts in Pontyclun in 2023, awarding commended certificates to those Shops which the members saw as particularly worthy.**
 - b. **The Council decided that, to help families, the Santa Grotto should be provided at the Christmas fayre at a nil or nominal cost.**
 - c. **Councillor Kelly Sherratt will approach local businesses to try and obtain some donations in kind so that Children visiting the Grotto could receive a small gift.**
7. To receive an update from Town Status working group
 - a. **The Council noted the reports and agreed the following.**
 - i. **The existing Council logo to be amended to reflect Town status.**
 - ii. **We would aim to deliver a presentation at the start of the Christmas Fayre to commemorate Town Status**
 1. **The Clerk to invite the Leader of RCT Council; The RCT Councillor for Pontyclun Central; Head of Democratic services RCT; The local Senedd members; The local Members of Parliament and representatives of the adjacent Community Councils**
 - iii. **The Council would include a sum of up to £10k in its 2024-25 budget discussions towards activities recommended by the Working group.**
 - iv. **To engage Pontyclun Primary and YGGG schools in helping support a project to create murals to celebrate Pontyclun's history.**
 - v. **The Council agreed to commemorate the 175th anniversary of the opening of Pontyclun Railway station by way of information signage at the station.**
 - vi. **The Council agreed to support the RCT CBC War Memorial plan to recognise the war dead commemorated by way of accessing their histories via a QR code at the memorial.**
 1. **Council to also make this history available in hard copy at the library and at the Council Offices.**
 2. **If grant funding could be obtained, then display boards near the memorial could be considered as a way of displaying this information.**

8. To consider grant requests
 - a. **The Council agreed the following grants.**
 - i. **Llantrisant Young farmers - £200**
 - ii. **Young at Heart (Tuesday group) - £100**
 - iii. **Miskin and Mwyndy WI - £150**
 - iv. **Llantrisant Netball club - £200**
9. To consider Council Administration improvement plan
 - a. **The Council confirmed the proposed plan.**
10. To consider defibrillator for Brynsadler
 - a. **The Council agreed to purchase a defibrillator for Brynsadler using Community Infrastructure levy funds.**
11. To receive and accept interim internal audit report.
 - a. **The Council noted and accepted the Interim internal report for 2023-24**
12. Update on Ivor woods trees
 - a. **The Council agreed to offer local residents and businesses the opportunity to collect felled wood at their own risk from Ivor Woods under a licencing scheme.**
 - b. **Free to residents, nominal charge for businesses**
 - c. **Power saws to only be allowed where suitable evidence of training in their use can be provided.**
13. Report on potential toilet options for Pontyclun park
 - a. **The Council decided not to progress with proposed scheme to deliver toilets to Pontyclun Park by way of portaloo.**
14. To discuss Community Infrastructure levy funds (CIL)
 - a. **The Council agreed to use CIL funds towards the following matters.**
 - i. **Purchase of 6 new dog poo bins**
 - ii. **Creation of raised beds/planters at YGGG School and at the Library in Pontyclun**
 - iii. **Design work for history trails and preparation of pdf routes for them**
 - iv. **Bench and raised beds at Hollies.**
 - v. **Memorial benches at Pontyclun FC and by War Memorial in Pontyclun**
 - vi. **New benches along Cycle path to Talbot Green, by Pontyclun Library, By Fire station; along Heol Miskin**
 - vii. **2 new benches in Cefn y Hendy – locations to be agreed by Councillors for Pontyclun West**
 - viii. **Where new physical assets are purchased a sum equivalent to purchase cost to be set aside into earmarked reserves for ongoing maintenance and replacement in due course**
 - ix. **Clerk to engage with RCT CBC regarding (part) funding the placement of a bus shelter in Cefn y Hendy and to report back for Council agreement of any actions.**
 - b. **The Council will discuss further CIL disbursements in 2024 after budget for 2024-25 has been set.**
15. To discuss draft report of the Remuneration panel for Wales
 - a. **The Council agreed to the same allowances and payments for 2024-25 as in 2023-24**

This is a true copy of the minutes of the November Council meeting of Pontyclun Town Council. The signed original can be viewed at the Council offices.