

Minutes of the meeting of the Events & Community Projects Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Wednesday 3 April 2024 at 6.00 pm.

Venue: The meeting was held remotely and at the Council House, Ventnor Road, Cwmbran NP44 3JY in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

The recommendations below will be submitted to the Council Meeting to be held on 8 May 2024.

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the meeting of the committee –
Date to be confirmed.

Present: Councillors A Bird, M Day (Chair), P Jones, K Manneh, C Morgan, S Morgan & WJ Walker

(Councillors SWJ Ashley, L Chaney & S Wharton participated in the meeting via remote means)

Absent: Councillors R Bennett, J Davenne, L Lloyd-Tolman, P Seabourne & M Villars

(No Public Participation Session was held at this meeting)

Also: Gareth Davies (Clerk to the Council), Andy Smith (RFO/Deputy Clerk) & Stephanie Kopec (Events & Outreach Officer)

ECP23/052 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors R Bennett (Personal), L Lloyd-Tolman (Personal) & M Villars (Personal)

ECP23/053 Members' Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have and sign the Interests Sheet to give details of the nature of the interest.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

ECP23/054 Minutes 20 February 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2024 were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting and are approved and actioned therein.

Councillor M Day signed the minutes.

ECP23/055 Community Celebration Dinner & Community Awards Presentation.

The Celebration Dinner & Community Awards Presentation took place on Friday 8th March at the Greenmeadow Golf Club.

Members thanked everyone for attending and the hard work of the staff organising the event. Members agreed that bringing together the two events worked very well and was a true celebration of the community.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the staff are thanked for their hard work organising the event.
- b) the position is noted.

ECP23/056 Mother & Daughter Fitness Club and Family Fitness Club.

The Events and Outreach Officer updated members on the success of both clubs which had been run for an eight week trial period. The Mother & Daughter Fitness Group had 20 places and was filled to capacity each week and the Family Fitness Group having a capacity of 25 with approximately 19 people attending each week.

A grant had been applied for and unsuccessful to cover the cost of the classes. The costs for an 8 week course are £398 for the Mother & Daughter Fitness Club and £625 for the Family Fitness Club.

Members discussed the success and popularity of the classes and approved the funding for the continuation of the classes.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) funding for the classes approved.
- b) the position is noted.

ECP23/057 Primary Schools Choral Festival & Senior Schools Talent Show.

The Events and Outreach Officer informed members that the plans were in place for the Primary Schools Choral Festival taking place over three nights with 8 schools confirmed to attend and 5 schools confirmed to attend the Senior Schools Talent Show, both events will be held at the Congress Theatre.

Members discussed inviting the Learning Zone to perform at the Senior Schools Talent Show and including a showcase of some of the performances at the Cwmbran Big Event.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) The Learning Zone is contacted.
- b) the position is noted.

ECP23/058 Cwmbran Big Event

The Events and Outreach Officer confirmed that all the main infrastructure was now booked and The Strip Lights were confirmed as the headline band.

The Officer reported that overhead costs had increased greatly since last years event and with the new recycling regulations in place there would need to be separate bins for recycling which will also need to be staffed on the day to avoid cross contamination.

The RFO will look at the Reserves and report to the Policy & Finance meeting.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the RFO reports to the Policy & Finance Meeting.
- b) the position is noted.

ECP23/059 Cwmbran Music Festival

The Clerk reported to members that planning for the event is well under way. The highlighter act has yet to be confirmed and there were some issues to resolve with alcohol at the event with a number of companies contacted who supply bars for festivals.

Members discussed the event and using the name Crowfest for the event, Councillor C Morgan informed members that deckchairs will not be permitted on the pitch at the Stadium as they may cause damage.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the position is noted.

ECP23/060 Cwmbran Well Being Project

The Events and Outreach Officer has been approached by the Council House Caretaker Richard Davies to run Mindfulness and Meditation Classes for adults one evening a week in the Annexe.

Members discussed the class and provision of Well Being for the community and proposed and approved the classes.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the Mindfulness and Meditation Classes are approved.
- b) the position is noted.

ECP23/061 Cwmbran @75 Event

The next meeting will be taking place Thursday 11th April, when the logo will be confirmed.

- a) the position is noted.

ECP23/062 Provisional Programme of Events

Members considered the provisional Programme of Events,

Event	Date	Time	Venue
Primary Schools Choral Festival & Senior Schools Talent Show.	15,16,17,18 04.2024	6pm	The Congress Theatre
The Big Event	08.06.2024	12noon- 5pm	The Boating Lake
Cwmbran Music Festival	20.07.2024	TBC	TBC

It was **recommended** that:-

- a) the table of events is noted.

ECP23/063 Exclusion of the Press & Public

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was agreed that the following matter be considered in private and that the power of exclusion of the public under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 be exercised.

ECP23/063 Budget Update

Members considered the budget reports.

It was **recommended** that:-

- a) the position is noted.

Signed.....
(Chair, Events & Community Projects Committee)