

Minutes of the meeting of the Events & Community Projects Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 23 June 2025 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 Wednesday 23 July 2025.

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the meeting of the committee – Monday 1 September 2025.

Present: Councillors A Bird, R Bennett, G Lloyd-Tolman, L Lloyd-Tolman, M Villars & W Walker

(Councillor M Day & L Chaney participated in the meeting via remote means)

Absent: Councillors S Ashley, J Davenne, K Manneh, C Morgan, S Morgan, P Seabourne & S Wharton

(No Public Participation Session was held at this meeting)

Also: Gareth Davies (Clerk) & Andy Smith (RFO)

ECP25/001 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were accepted from Councillors S Ashley (Holiday), J Davenne (Personal), K Manneh (Illness), C Morgan, S Morgan, P Seabourne & S Wharton

ECP25/002 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.

ECP25/003 Minutes 31 March 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2025 were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting and are approved and actioned therein.

Councillor A Bird signed the minutes.

ECP25/004 Primary Schools Choral Festival/Senior Schools Talent Showcase

No further update received on the event which took place 7 – 10 April 2025 at the Congress Theatre.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the position is noted.

ECP25/005 80th Anniversary of VE Day

Members received a report from the Clerk on the commemorative event which took place 8 May 2025 at The Army Reserve Centre which was well attended.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the position is noted.

ECP25/006 Cwmbran Big Event

The Clerk updated members on the Cwmbran Big Event which took place on Saturday 14 June at The Boating Lake, the event was very successful, with the only issues on the day being parking with the high volume of residents attending the event.

Members discussed how the event is getting bigger and better each year and thanked the staff for there hard work organising the event and on the day. Members were concerned with cost of food at the event and discussed ideas to reduce the costs to residents at next year's event.

It was **recommended** that:

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

ECP25/007 Armed Forces Day

The Clerk updated members on the arrangements for the flag raising taking place 10am Saturday 28 June 2025 at The Council House, followed by refreshments in the Council Chamber.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the position is noted.

ECP25/008 Crow Fest

The Clerk confirmed that arrangements for Crow Fest taking place Saturday 19 July at Cwmbran Stadium, were on track with security for this year's event increased and additional toilets booked. There would also be additional seating available in the new stand at the Stadium.

There had been issues with the event licence which have now been resolved.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the position is noted.

ECP25/009 Summer Play Schemes

Members discussed the success of the play schemes in Cwmbran with all venues full to capacity and a waiting list for places.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) The position is noted.

ECP25/010 Provisional Programme of Events

Members considered the provisional programme of events and amended the start time for the John Fielding Memorial Service to 10.45am.

Event	Date	Time	Venue
Armed Forces Day (Saturday 28.06.25)	Flag Raising 28.06.25	10am	The Council House
Crow Fest	19.07.25	2pm-10pm	Cwmbran Stadium
Torfaen Play's Summer Playschemes	July/August 2025	Various	Various
Torfaen Play Awards Ceremony	TBC	TBC	TBC
80 th Anniversary of the end of WW2 (VJ Day)	15.08.25	TBC	TBC
Merchant Navy Day	03.09.25	10am	The Council House
Arts Festival	On-going	Various	The Council Chamber
Windrush Event 2025	03.10.25	TBC	The Parkway
Remembrance Sunday Parage	09.11.25	10.30am	St Gabriel's Church/Cwmbran Park
Christmas Events	TBC	TBC	TBC
John Fielding Memorial Service	17.01.26	10.45am	St Michael's Church Llantarnam
ECO Quiz	29.01.26	6pm	The Congress Theatre
Community Awards Evening/Dinner	06.03.26	6.30pm for 7pm	The Parkway
Primary Schools Choral Festival/Senior Schools Talent Showcase	27 th – 30 th April 2026	6pm	The Congress Theatre

It was **recommended** that:-

- a) The John Fielding Memorial Service time is amended to 10.45am.
- b) The table of events is noted.

ECP25/011 On Going Cwmbran Well Being Projects

Members considered the table of on going Well Being Projects.

Project	Day/Time	Venue
Mother & Daughter Fitness Sessions	Wednesdays 5:15pm - 6:15pm	Cwmbran Stadium
Art Club	Thursdays 6:00pm – 8:00pm	The Community Council Annex
Mindfulness & Meditation	Tuesdays 6:30pm – 7:30pm Sundays 10:00am – 12 noon	The Community Council Annex

It was **recommended** that:-

- a) The table of on-going projects is noted.

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