

**Minutes of the meeting of the Regeneration & Major Grants Committee of Cwmbran Community Council held on Monday 23 June 2025 at 7.00pm**

**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 next meeting of the committee to be held on Monday 1 September 2025

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

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

**Absent:** Councillors S Ashley, P Jones, K Manneh, C Morgan, S Morgan, D Thomas & S Wharton

(No Public Participation Session was held at this meeting)

**Also:** Gareth Davies (Clerk), Andy Smith (RFO), Ken Jones & John Cunningham (Torfaen Community Transport)

**RMG25/001 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors S Ashley (Holiday), K Manneh (Illness), C Morgan, S Morgan & S Wharton

**RMG25/002 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.

*Councillor L Chaney declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute RMG25/005 – Torfaen Community Transport. He remained in the meeting during the discussion.*

**RMG25/003 Minutes 17 February 2025**

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2025 were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting and are approved and actioned therein.

Councillor A Bird signed the minutes.

**RMG25/004 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.

**RMG25/005 Update on recent discussions**

*Councillor L Chaney declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute RMG25/005 – Torfaen Community Transport. He remained in the meeting during the discussion.*

Ken Jones & John Cunningham (Torfaen Community Transport) attended the meeting and gave a report to members on the current funding requirements and costs of providing the service. Members discussed the funding requirements and awarded a grant to the sum of :- £10,000 to contribute to the cost of covering the seats on 4 buses.

Members discussed core funding and agreed to defer the discussion to the Policy & Finance committee Meeting.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the grant to Torfaen Community Transport is awarded to the sum of £10,000.
- b) Torfaen Community Transport core funding is deferred to the Policy & Finance committee meeting.
- c) the position is noted.

**RMG25/006 Grant Applications Received**

**(i) All Creatures Great & Small – Proposal for Installation of Solar Panels**

Members discussed the funding proposal and awarded a grant pending the response to members questions to the sum of :- £15,000 to contribute to the cost of the installation of solar panels.

It was **recommended** that:

- a) the grant to All Creatures Great & Small is awarded pending a response to members questions to the sum of £15,000.
- b) the position is noted.

Signed .....

(Chairman, Regeneration & Major Grants Committee *Committee*)