



**VAN COMMUNITY
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**MINUTES
FULL COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday 18th July 2024
Held at Van Community Centre**

1. To note Member attendance and to receive any apologies

In attendance

Cllr Elaine Forehead
Cllr Sheila Newbury
Cllr Anne Broughton-Pettit (via TEAMS)
Cllr Christine Forehead
Cllr John Pettit (via TEAMS)
Cllr Lynne Hughes (via TEAMS)
Cllr Matthew Ferris
Cllr Sheila Jones
CLERK Michelle Moore

Apologies

Cllr Sharon Harris
Cllr Jeff Grenfell

2. Police & Community Safety Matters

In attendance: CSO Rhys Wall

Note

The council received police report in advance of the meeting
Discussed-off Road biking and the on-going work in the ward

3. Fire Service & Community Safety Matters

Apologies :Station Commander Julian Lloyd

Note

The Council received report in advance of the meeting

4. Guest Speaker-Geraint Jones

The participatory budget was outlined, and how the community is involved and may benefit. Geraint confirmed with members content on the posters and how they can be distributed; Leaflet drop outside the schools, door to door and paid post code delivery.

5. Declarations of Interest: To receive disclosures of personal interests from members in accordance with the code of conduct.

Cllr Christine Forehead and Cllr Elaine Forehead have relatives who have plots at Van Allotments

6. Minutes

6.1 The minutes of the FULL COUNCIL meeting held on 20th June 2024 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the chair

7. Financial Matters

7.1 Received and agreed Bank Statements June 2024

7.2 Received and agreed Bank Reconciliations, Payments for June 2024

7.3 Received application for financial assistance from Caerphilly Uniform Exchange :

Resolved: to award £500

7.4 Received application for financial assistance from Van Allotments:

Resolved: Clerk to clarify if they have already received the funding from the Nature Wellbeing grant scheme

8. To discuss and consider adopting a security policy including risk mitigation and insurance

Resolved: Cllr Lynne Hughes will bring information and possible content to be used in the policy at the next meeting

Meeting suspended 18:50

Meeting resumed 19:00

9. To consider and discuss the cost-of-living crisis

Resolved: Cllr Sheila Jones to arrange a one-hour teams meeting with members and to invite Vanessa Owens OVW. Members are to contact Cllr Sheila Jones -directly with their availability to attend.

10. Clerks report

Resolved:

10.2 Tennis Lessons-Clerk to Contact Jonathan Morgan in the new year to arrange a meeting with members - discuss opening the project up to the whole ward for 2025

10.6 Litter picking-Cllr M Ferris confirmed that he has received the litter pickers and is intending to visit Cefn Hengoed's hub before we set up our own at VanCC

11. To receive information and consider the purchase of a new laptop

Resolved: Clerk to contact -Graham Johnson Pc Computers, Bedwas

Order as recommended -12th generation, 15.6 Screen, i5, 8gig or 16 gig 512-byte storage

Budget £450-£600

12. Items for the next agenda

12.1 Review and consider adopting updated grant policy/form and grant evaluation form

12.2 To receive information on free standing noticeboards

12.3 To discuss the security policy

13. Date of next meeting

Full Council Meeting Thursday 19th September @ Van Community Centre

Meeting closed at 19:50

Chair

Clerk

Michelle Moore

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