

**MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH
COMMUNITY COUNCIL (ALCC) HELD ON 20 September 2023 AT 7.00pm
in the Council Chamber at Council Offices, Mitre Street, Abertillery.**

PRESENT

Councillors: Tracey Dyson (Chair); Josh Rawcliffe (Vice Chair); Peter Adamson, Michaela Assiratti; Steve Bard; Chris Hill, Mark Lewis; Barrie Page; Rob Phillips; Nick Simmons; Bernard Wall and Graham White

Via videolink: None – No video line established.

Officers: Steve Edwards (Clerk)

Apologies: Ben Owen-Jones

Absent: Ben Owen Jones, Glyn Smith

45. Apologies for absence

Ben Owen-Jones

46. Declarations of Interest

None

47. Minutes

1. 28 June 2023

The Council **RESOLVED** to make the following amendments and then confirmed the minutes as a correct record

Item 19: Add “Mark Lewis also questioned why Abertillery BG RFC funding request for Aber Rocks of £1000 had increased by another £500 this year, which there seemed to be an unsure response but assumed it was an increase in the security costs for the Aber Rocks Event held by Abertillery BG RFC . 15/07/2022 Abertillery RFC 7995 500.00 4830 130 500.00 Security Please see attachment for the 2023 funding request from Abertillery BG RFC of £1000 from ALCC”.

Add to item 19: “Mark Lewis also questioned 20/07/2022 Vimeo CHARGES 82.80 13.80 4170 110 69.00 Annual subscription - Card and why if this service had not been used on the ALCC website since the 28th July 2021 was council still paying for it.”

Add to item 19: “Mark Lewis also questioned why 17/05/2022 Bakehouse Print Limited 7967 552.00 92.00 4830 130 460.00 Banners, Party in Park had been cancelled? It was in fact 17/05/2022 Ebbw Fach Community Group 7968 0.00 Cheque Cancelled. This was the cheque that was cancelled and not for the Party in the Park Banners as stated at the meeting by Mark Lewis”

Add to item 27 Six Bells Toilets: “Mark Lewis made full council aware of a previous scheme that the ALCC Shop Local Group looked into reinstating which B.G.C.B.C previously run in local businesses around the borough town centres where businesses in these towns were paid £500 annually to provide public toilets but unfortunately these toilets were apparently not being looked after and the public were complaining about the money being spent on them and a proper services not being provided. So, B.G.C.B.C withdrew the scheme, but Mark Lewis stated that he thought Chris Hill / Group would

look after the ones in Six Bells Park but just wanted to make council aware of previous issues when these types of toilet provision schemes have been run in the past.”

Correction to item 28 PARTY IN THE PARK

End of first paragraph with sentence - Remove “Bernard Wall noted that, after the event had closed, many attendees remained in Abertillery long into the evening.”

Replace with the following text below -

The Chair stated "that PIP attendees wanted to stay behind after the Event finished but she and others had to clear them off the rugby field."

Bernard Wall stated " to tell the Rugby Club that they needed more beer at next year's PIP Event " as they had run out at the bar before the Event had ended.

2. 19 July 2023

The Council **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes as a correct record

48. Internal Audit

The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the amended internal auditors report on the Councils Annual Return and Accounts 2022-23. Councillor Graham White asked for his vote against to be recorded

49. Annual Return

The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the amended Annual Return and Accounts 2022-23. Councillor Graham White asked for his vote against to be recorded

50. Committees

The Council **RESOLVED** Nick Simmons as a member of the Finance Committee

51. Council Grant

The Council **RESOLVED** to give a grant (under s19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976) of £7,500 to Abertillery Rugby Club for the building of a medical facility at the Rugby Club

52. Co-Option

The Council **RESOLVED** (under s21 of the Representation of the Peoples Act 1985) to co-opt Mr Ralph Henderson MBE as a ward member for the Cwmtillery Ward

53. Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council Standard Committee

The Council **RESOLVED** to nominate Josh Rawcliffe as its nomination for this Committee

54. Date of Next Meeting

25 October at 7pm

The meeting ended at 7.35 pm.

Minutes written by Steve Edwards (Clerk)