

Chairman: Councillor Martyn Jones JP

Clerk/RFO: Mrs. Deborah Roberts

Llangynwyd Lower Community Council
Cyngor Cymuned Isaf Llangynwyd

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday the 25th May 2023
At the Coytrahen Community Centre

The Meeting commenced at 5.30pm and was chaired by **Councillor Mr. Martyn Jones**. Who welcomed everyone to the AGM.

Also in attendance: -

Councillors: Mr. D. Davies, Mr. P. Gronow. Mrs. J. Roberts. Mrs. G. J. Faulkner

Clerk: Mrs. D. Roberts

Observer: Mr. G. W. Davies

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J. Windsor.

Councillor Mrs. J. Morgan was not in attendance.

2. Declarations of interest where applicable

Councillors Mrs. G. J. Faulkner and Mrs. J. Roberts on all matters relating to the Coytrahen Community Association- Committee Members. Cllr Martyn Jones elected member of Bridgend County Borough Council.

3. Current Chairperson's outgoing address

Councillor Jones started by saying it's been an absolute privilege to serve as Chairperson and Mayor, addressed on how great Bridgend County Borough Council is and lots of people doing the very best they can. Cllr Jones sadly addressed the attendees of the recent passing of Queen Elizabeth 11.

Cllr Martyn Jones welcomed the New Clerk/RFO Mrs. Deborah Roberts who has been in the post for five months.

Cllr Jones welcomed 1st year sitting term new Councillors Mr. Philip Gronow and Mr. Julian Windsor.

Cllr Jones said he has just served his 12th year as Chairperson for the Community Council.

Cllr Jones also supports five schools, including Voluntary work including one for Armed Forces Veterans. Cllr Jones is happy to pass the Chair on and said its been a privilege to be Chair of Llangynwyd Lower Community Council who loves to serve.

4. Appointment of Chairperson for 2034/24

Nominations were called for appointment of new Chairperson for 2023/24. All councillors unanimously elected Councillor Martyn Jones to take the Chair. There were no other nominations and Councillor Martyn Jones took the Chair for 2023/24 for the 13th year.

5. Appointment of Vice Chairperson for 2023/24

The Chairperson called for nominations, Councillor J Roberts nominated Councillor G. J. Faulkner this was seconded by the newly appointed Chairperson Councillor Martyn Jones. There were no other nominations and Councillor Faulkner was unanimously elected to serve as Vice Chairperson for 2023/24.

6.Appointment of Members to various duties for the forthcoming year

The Councillors will continue with their usual various duties for the forthcoming year.

7.To approve Council's new Standing Orders (circulated to members via email)

Council resolved to adopt the updated Standing order.

8.To approve Council's new Code of Conduct (circulated to Member's via email)

Council resolved to adopt the updated Code of Conduct.

9.To approve Council's new Financial Regulations (circulated to Members via email)

Council resolved to adopt the updated Financial Regulations.

10.Members to declare in writing either their acceptance or rejection of the Annual Allowance.

All Councillors accepted their Annual allowance of £156.00 (One hundred and fifty six pounds). Clerk will write cheques to all Councillors once received in writing.

11.To review the Clerk's Probationary period and increase of salary as agreed during the appointment procedure.

The clerk left the meeting place when her salary review was taking place and when recalled was informed of the following.

"Council Members were pleased with the new Clerks performance to date and had resolved to upgrade her salary from point SCP7 to SCP 12 on the NALC pay scale.

NALC is yet to update pay scales for the financial year 2022/23

12.To approve a training program for Members in the forthcoming year.

Most Members have been booked in for Code of Conduct training next month. With a review of a training plan 6 months from now.

Chairman Councillor Martyn Jones thanked Mr. Gareth W. Davies for all his support in helping the Council with relations to Administrative and Financial Management and closed the meeting at 6.05pm.