

**OGMORE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE  
HELD ON,  
FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

**Those present: Councillor D. Owen, Chairman, in the Chair**

**Councillors:**

M. Davies  
Mrs. M. Jenkins  
G.G. Jones  
G. Bees

**Others:** None

**1. To receive apologies for absence.**

**Resolved:** Apologies for absence were received from those members unable to attend.

**2. To receive any declarations of interest (if any) from Members.**

Members are invited to declare personal and prejudicial interests in items on the agenda. It is a requirement that declarations from a member include the nature of the interest and whether it is personal or prejudicial.

**Resolved:** No declarations were received.

**3. Nantymoel Christmas Tree – For Information**

The high winds have pushed the Christmas Tree in Nantymoel over into the direction, and above the highway.

The Clerk reported that she had contacted by telephone 'Civic Tree's', as a matter of urgency and that they had not responded, so she was left with no option but to contact BCBC to make the area safe.

The Inspector of BCBC attended. They were unable to save the tree whilst making the area safe and had to chop it down.

The Clerk has emailed photo's of the tree and explained the situation to Civic Trees and is awaiting a reply.

**Resolved:** That members approved payment to BCBC for the cutting of the tree and making the area safe out of office hours.

#### **4. Memorial Plaque – Nantymoel Memorial Shelter**

The Clerk reported that the plaque had been stolen from the left hand side of the memorial shelter and that the remaining plaque on the right side had been tampered with and was hanging loose.

The Clerk had contacted local scrap merchants, 'Bayliss Metals' and they had distributed a picture of the plaque in order to make their staff aware of the situation.

A number of ideas were discussed for the future in relation to replacing and protecting the plaques.

- I) Security bars being placed around the plaques, as the doors.
- II) Having the plaques made in marble, plastic or some material that has no value for scrap.
- III) Investing in CCTV in this area.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk contact someone to take down the existing plaque and place it inside the shelter where it will be safe until further discussions are had with full council.

The Clerk will also get up-dated costs for CCTV within that area.

#### **5. Nantymoel Boys and Girls Club**

The Clerk gave an up-date regarding the business plan having been sent to BCBC for its consideration. Also, that the roof had slates coming off it during just the high winds and a meeting room had been closed to the public for Health and Safety reasons.

**Resolved:** That item 5 was noted.

#### **6. Grit Bins**

The Clerk had received prices from BCBC Officer Janet Harris @ £127 – 200 Ltr  
£190 – 400 Ltr

Cllr. Mrs. M. Jenkins had received a price from County Cllr. H. Williams @. £300 per bin.

**Resolved:** Clarification will be sourced for costs, locations and BCBC adoption.

#### **7. School Councils**

It was reported that YGG Cwm Garw had already had a visit with the Chair Cllr. D. Owen and Clerk, Louvain Lake, to the new school in Penyfai.

Nantymoel Primary had been invited to attend the February meeting of Ordinary Council, but, due to the date falling in half term holidays had been unable to attend.

Ogmore Primary has been invited to attend the ordinary meeting of council in March.

**Resolved:** That the information is noted.

- I) The Clerk is just to get prices for 'School Council' sashes or badges.
- II) Further invitations will be sent to Nantymoel, Cwm Garw, Abercerdin and the Comprehensive schools in order to make partnerships and work together for the community.
- III) This is one of the outcomes for Community Voice also.

## **8. Blackmill Site Meeting**

**Resolved:** That Cllr. W.G. Lewis will represent Ogmores Valley Community Council at the meeting.

## **9. Other Matters Arising**

Cllr. M. Davies reported that he'd received a query from a community member regarding the new steps in Fronwen – That they should not have been paid for as they hadn't been completed.

The Clerk assured him that she had checked the status of the steps prior to paying and that they had been completed to a good and satisfactory standard.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk will contact the resident and speak with her to clarify the issue and report back to council.