

# County Borough of Caerphilly

# Nelson Community Council

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. P Baldwin (Chairman)  
Cllr. A Blackman  
Cllr. G Davies  
Cllr. A Gray  
Cllr. K Jones  
Cllr. G Mahoney  
Cllr. B Miles  
Cllr. S Morgan

Mr A. Hoskins (Clerk and Proper Officer)

Apologies for Absence: Cllr. L Lewis MBE

### 1. Minutes:

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013 were Approved.

### 2. Election of Chairperson:

Cllr. K Jones was nominated. Cllr. B Miles was also nominated. Voting by secret ballot was requested. Cllr. Jones received five votes and Cllr. Miles received four votes. Cllr. Jones was therefore duly elected to the office of Chairman.

The outgoing Chairman thanked members for their help and support during her year in office and for supporting the council's events throughout her chairmanship.

Cllr. Blackman thanked the outgoing Chairman for her hard work and hands-on approach.

Cllr. Baldwin reported that she had asked the Clerk to obtain information on a suitable box for the Chain of Office, which she intended to purchase out of her annual allowance. The Clerk reported that he had received information from Thomas Fattorini (suppliers of the regalia) and a suitable box could be obtained within that budget. The Clerk also updated members on the timescale for updating the inscriptions on the links.

The elected Chairman thanked the members for their support and paid tribute to the outgoing Chairman for what had been achieved during her term of office. She hoped that she could do as good a job in the role.

### 3. Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office:

The Chairman made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Council's Proper Officer.

### 4. Election of Vice-Chairman:

Cllr. A Gray was nominated. There were no further nominations. Cllr. Gray was duly elected as Vice-Chairman.

**5. Setting of Allowances and Appointments to Committees and Sub-Committees:**

- a. Resolved that the Chairman's Allowance be set at £300.
- b. Resolved that the sum of up to £1,000 be set aside for use by the Chairman for the purpose of courtesy visits and the like.
- c. Appointments to Outside Bodies and Sub-Committees:
  - i. Caerphilly County Borough Council and Community Councils Joint Liaison Committee - Chairman or Vice-Chairman and Cllr. Davies to represent.
  - ii. Community and Town Councils Liaison Committee – Chairman, Vice Chairman and Cllr. Davies to represent.
  - iii. Activities Sub-Committee – all Members to participate as appropriate.
  - iv. Appointments Sub-Committee – Chairman, Vice-Chairman Cllr. Mahoney and Cllr. Davies.
  - v. Area Forum – Cllr. Miles.
  - vi. Nelson Development Trust – Members are no longer nominated.
  - vii. One Voice Wales Area Committee – Cllrs. K Jones and G Mahoney.
  - viii. Friends of Wern Park – Since dissolution of the NVP members are no longer nominated
  - ix. Nelson Community Centre Management Committee – Cllr. Baldwin was nominated. Cllr. Blackman was also nominated. From a secret ballot, voting was Cllr. Baldwin 4 votes and Cllr. Blackman 4 votes. On the Chairman's casting vote, Cllr Blackman was appointed as the council's representative.

*Meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.*

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