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Minutes of Argoed Community Council meeting held on 26th September 2022 held at Markham Miners' Welfare.

2299 To sign the register and receive apologies

2299.1 Community Councillors present: Chairman Walter Williams, John Mullen, Kath Naylor, Mary Parkes and Emma Williams
Apologies were received from Andy Bould and Garry Lewis

2300 To receive a report from County Councillor Walter Williams.

2300.1 Councillor Walter Williams reported that panels had been smashed in the bus stop near Markham School and also a road sign near Cwrt a Bella Church had been flattened.

2300.2 Complaints had been raised by residents about the school bus service from Hollybush.

2301 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18th July were agreed.

2302 Matters arising

2302.1 Minute 2297.4 – The Clerk was yet to seek clarification on whether the Community Council should have a seat on the Governors of Blackwood Comprehensive School.

2303 The schedule of correspondence provided by the Clerk was received and the required actions **agreed**.

2304 To receive the financial report from the Clerk.

The financial position of the Community Council as at 26th September 2022 showed a total balance of £27,756.87

The financial report and schedule of cheques produced by the Clerk was agreed.

2304.2 Training programme 2022/23

- The Welsh Government requires all Councils to produce and publish a training programme no later than 5th November 2022.
- The Clerk provided a proposed Training Programme for all Councillors.
- The subjects to be covered are:-

Councillor Induction

The Council

Code of Conduct

Financial management

- The Council accepted the Clerk's report and agreed that all Councillors should complete the training programme by 5th November 2022
- The Council agreed to use the One Voice Wales training services

2305 Local Development Plan (LDP) 2305.1 Cllr John Mullen – no update 2306 To receive an update on the Community Council's Facebook page. Cllr Mary Parkes gave a brief update on the activities on the Facebook page. 2307 Delegates Reports 2307.1 Markham Primary School – Cllr Garry Lewis provided a detailed written report which was presented to the meeting 2307.2 Argoed Village Hall – no report 2307.3 Joint Liaison Committee Meeting – no report 2307.4 Markham House and Leisure Centre - no meeting 2307.5 Access Forum – no meeting 2308 Local Reports Argoed – nothing to report 2308.1 2308.2 Hollybush – nothing to report 2308.3 Manmoel – Councillor Kath Naylor reported that the hanging baskets had lasted well. 2308.4 Markham – Cllr John Mullen reported that Caerphilly County Borough Council was to remove the hedging at the roundabout near the Markham War memorial. Cllr Walter Williams reported that a meeting had been held with Rhiannon Passmore and residents about having traffic lights installed at the same roundabout. Cllr Walter Williams informed the meeting that he been in contact with Caerphilly

2309 Planning Applications - none

Signed......Chairman of Argoed Community Council 17th October 2022

County Borough Council about the dead trees opposite Markham Terrace.

Problems experienced at The Grange Hospital were discussed.