

REPORTS TO TOWN COUNCIL A.G.M. HELD ON 12TH. MAY 2014

AGENDA ITEM 4 - TO NOMINATE COUNCILLORS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES

Members are advised that Standing Order 38 states that either the Mayor or Deputy Mayor or both shall be members of every Committee.

Whilst some of the duties of the following Committees are undertaken by Full Council, it is important that the Committee, and especially the Chair are nominated.

(a) Finance & Policy Committee – 7 members

(b) Planning & Licensing Committee – 5 members

(c) Environment Committee – 7 members

(d) Newsletter Committee – 4 members

(e) Twinning Committee - 3 members

(f) Events Committee

This is an advisory Committee, that the Town Council has delegated the role of managing the agreed budget. It is open to all members of the Council, but members are requested to nominate a Chair & Vice Chair of the Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 5 - TO NOMINATE COUNCILLORS TO THE FOLLOWING –

(a) Town & Community Council Joint Liaison Committee - 2 members

This Committee comprises of delegates from each of the Town & Community Councils within C.C.B.C. It meets quarterly and its main purpose is to discuss matters of mutual interest and to agree topics to be discussed with Caerphilly C.B.C.

(b) Caerphilly C.B.C. Community Council Liaison Sub Committee - 1 member

This Committee is attended by Caerphilly C.B.C. members and also representatives from each of the Town & Community Councils. The Committee which meets quarterly considers matters of a common interest and also topics identified by the Joint Liaison Committee. Only one member may be nominated, and must be one of the two members nominated above.

(c) Blackwood Town Centre Management Group - 2 members

This Group represents a number of interested organisations located in the Blackwood area. These consist of local traders, local residents, Police together with Caerphilly C.B.C. and Town Council members. The Group meets quarterly.

(d) Mid Valleys East Steering Committee – 2 members

The role of the Group is to decide and influence local issues from an area perspective. The Council and its partners seek to use the Group to consult on issues where there is a clear dimension, such as Local Development Plans.

The Steering Group includes representatives from the Local community Partnerships, voluntary organisations, the Local Authority, Public Sector Bodies and the Town Council. The Group meets twice a year.

(e) One Voice Wales Area Committee & Larger Councils Committee – 1 member for each

One Voice Wales is the single All Wales representative body for Community & Town Councils in Wales, and ensures concerns of such Councils are heard at the Local Government Partnership Council.

(f) Blackwood Retail Partnership

Two members currently represent the Town Council on this partnership group with C.C.B.C., Gwent Police and staff from local businesses in town.

(g) Blackwood Town Centre Arts Panel

One member is currently elected to serve on this Panel, albeit it has not met for several years.

(h) Plas Mawr Community Centre Committee

Two members are currently elected to serve on the Management Committee of the Community Centre.

AGENDA ITEM10 - FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31/3/2014

A copy of the Annual Accounts are attached for members approval.

AGENDA ITEM 13 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications have been received since the last meeting –

14/0180 RET	ASDA Stores	Retain seasonal canopy Cliff Road, Blackwood
14/0240 FULL	Royal Mail Group	Install concrete access ramp, brickwork wall & handrail Sorting Office, 160-164 High Street, Blackwood

