

**MINUTES OF A MEETING TO INTERVIEW FOR CO-OPTION ONTO TOWN COUNCIL HELD  
ON 31<sup>ST</sup>. MAY 2023**

Present : Cllr. G Edwards ( Mayor )  
Cllrs. K Williams. K Etheridge & R Mills

**1. *Apologies For Absence***

Apologies were received from Cllr. C Erasmus

**2 *Declarations of Interest***

The Clerk explained that unless they were related to any of the Candidates there was no need to Declare an Interest.

There were no Declarations of Interest made

**3. *Interviews for Co-option to Town Council***

***3 Vacancies - Blackwood Central/ 2 x Cefn Fforest East***

After a brief discussion, it was agreed the following questions be asked, one by each member in turn

***A brief introduction – tell us a little about yourself***

***Why do you wish to become a Town Councillor and what experiences, qualities and strengths do you have that will benefit the work of Town Council ?***

***What time commitments can you give to Town Council in terms of its meetings, training, its community events and representing the interests of its residents ?***

***How do you feel about Blackwood Town right now, and if you were given a budget to make changes what would be the first things you would look to do ?***

***Could you give examples of you working as part of a team and how you have contributed to problem solving in the past ?***

Furthermore that the decision be taken after the interview process was completed, and that the candidates be informed immediately so successful members could take part in Annual General Meeting that follows

This was ***unanimously agreed***

The following candidates were then interviewed -

***NIGEL DIX  
MARK GWYNN  
NOAH NYLE***

After all interviews had taken place, members were unanimous in stating what excellent interviews each of the candidates had had.

Having discussed each candidate in turn, it was ***agreed*** all three be co-opted onto Town Council.

