



**GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE HELD AT  
BLAENGARW WORKMEN'S HALL ON THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2019 AT 4.30 PM**

Present: Councillor S Dendy  
(Events Committee Chair)

Councillor: C Lloyd  
H Griffiths  
R Stirman

Apologies: None

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO

EC26/18      **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Minute No</b>	<b>Declaration of Interest</b>
S Dendy	All relevant	Member BCBC
H Griffiths	EC29 & 32/18	Chair Ffaldau Primary School
C Lloyd	EC29 & 32/18	Governor Tynyrheol Primary School
R Stirman	All relevant EC29 & 32/18	Member BCBC Governor Bettws Primary Schools

EC27/18      **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2018 MEETING**

**Resolved:** The Minutes of October 2018 were read and approved as an accurate account of the meeting and the Chair signed the Minutes.

EC28/18      **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE OCTOBER 2018 MINUTES**

The type of marquee ie colour, size, shape of windows, capacity were discussed.

The Clerk informed Members of the Food Safety Standards for the provision of home made cakes.

The Clerk had not yet purchased the Community Shield Award in case there were no nominations.

The Schools Community Award was discussed.

**Resolved:** As Full Council had already given authority to purchase a marquee, the Clerk was asked to purchase the Marquee in time for the Easter event it would need to seat 20 people, have roll up sides, the preferred colour was green and if possible round windows. The Clerk was asked to go ahead and purchase the shield.

EC29/18      **FEEDBACK ON THE HALLOWEEN EVENT**

The sabotage of some of the Halloween figures placed around the valley had been disappointing; alternatives for 2019 were discussed. It was agreed that the posters need to be published earlier than in 2018, state the start and finish dates and each ward would have their own poster.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that the Events Committee works with the school children to make wooden cut outs for the Halloween figures for this year's event to give them ownership following last year's sabotage and to organise a bat walk in the park during half term and decorate the Visitor Centre for Halloween. Councillor Dendy would organise the production of 100 bats by early September

EC30/18      FEEDBACK ON THE CHRISTMAS EVENTS

The Clerk was asked to minute the Committee's concern at the preferential treatment given in Bettws regarding putting decorations on the Christmas tree. Full Council had agreed that decorations would not be put on the real trees and had purchased wooden trees for this purpose. However access was given to the school tree and this had been published on social media. The events committee would like to express their concern on Health and Safety grounds and raise concern about the security to the school grounds; this action had undermined the Events Committee and Full Council decision.

In addition the Committee would like the lights placed on the Bettws tree to be returned to Council for storage with the other Bettws decorations.

The Committee would like to minute their gratitude to the Santas who worked hard at the Christmas events.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend all points detailed above to Full Council. It was also agreed to produce separate posters for each ward to publicise the events in 2019.

EC31/18      TO DISCUSS AN EASTER EVENT

Ideas were discussed and it was agreed to hold an Easter Egg Hunt again this year. Ideas for the event included storytelling, face painting and someone dressing up as a giant rabbit.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that the Committee purchases small baskets to hide the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt, to make wooden cut outs and to request that the Warden is asked to clean up the dog mess in the park on the morning prior to the event. The Clerk would see if the Co-op could donate any eggs.

EC32/18      WORKING WITH SCHOOLS ON COUNCIL PROJECTS

As suggested in minute EC29/18 above involving the school children in making items and painting them was discussed and agreed.

EC32/18      ITEMS FOR THE NEXT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

- Easter Event
- Summer Event

**Resolved:** The item listed above would be discussed at the next meeting and with the Chair's agreement, it was agreed to keep this open to include anything that may arise in the time between meetings.

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EC33/17      TO AGREE THE DATE AND LOCATION FOR THE NEXT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Resolved:      The Committee will next meet after April 2019 - date, time and venue tbc

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 5.34 pm