



**GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**CYNGOR CYMUNEDOL CWM GARW**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE HELD AT**  
**THE WILLIAM TRIGG CENTRE (DAN Y MYNYDD), BLAENGARW AND VIA ZOOM ON THURSDAY**  
**15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 AT 6.30 PM**

Present: Councillor Heather Griffiths (Incoming Chair)

Councillor: J Coles (via zoom)  
C Lloyd

No Apologies: Councillor R Jones

Also Present:  
Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO

EC21/23-24

EC22/23-24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Minute No	Declaration of Interest
H Griffiths	All relevant	Member BCBC and Governor at Ffaldau School
C Lloyd	EC25/23-24	Governor Tynyrheol Primary School

EC23/23-24 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 2023 MEETING

**Resolved:** The Minutes of November 2023 committee meeting were read and approved as an accurate account of the meeting and the Chair signed the Minutes.

EC24/23-24 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE NOVEMBER 2023 MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising.

EC25/23-24 CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2023 REVIEW

The concert was discussed and it was agreed that the marketing timings and free tickets were not something to be replicated for 2024 as many people who had received tickets did not attend. Following the discussion and a consideration of ideas a recommendation was unanimously agreed.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend the following to full council:

- That future concerts should be arranged in early autumn.
- One concert per year to be held which would travel around the wards. In 2024 it will be held in Blaengarw, 2025 Bettws and 2026 Pontycymer.
- All councillors to commit to assisting at their ward concert.
- Involve the schoolchildren from the host ward.
- Invite one performer not two, plus a local school choir.
- Charge a nominal fee to encourage attendance, say £3.00 a ticket.
- Marketing to begin in September each year.

EC26/23-24 D-DAY 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY - 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2024

Consideration was given to the choices of item to mark this anniversary including a beacon, lamp light of peace etc.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend the following to full council:

- To purchase 4 Lamps of Peace at a cost of £220 (£55 each) and place one in each ward.

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- **Ward councillors to man the lamp during the evening.**

EC27/23      **40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE MINERS' STRIKE 2024 - 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

It was agreed that the event should be commemorated and ideas were discussed. It was agreed that the event needed to be a peaceful remembrance. It was noted that Awen/Garw Heritage Society are putting on an exhibition/event.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend the following to full council:

- **To arrange a silent walk, with people's phones lit and use the lamp light of peace around Parc Calon Lan**
- **To see if an original banner could be borrowed and put it at the front of the walk.**
- **To ask the PCSOs to be present.**
- **For the marketing to stress it's a peaceful, silent, remembrance.**

EC28/23      **EASTER INCLUDING AWEN CULTURAL TRUST EASTER EVENT**

The Clerk informed Members of the request from Awen Cultural Trust to arrange an Easter event in Parc Calon Lan. This was discussed.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to recommend to full council to agree to Awen Cultural Trust's request to use the park for an Easter Egg Hunt for primary school children, which will be followed by a film at back to Blaengarw Workmen's Hall. The Clerk had already requested and received a Risk Assessment and Insurance, The Warden will be on site for the event.

EC29/23      **ITEMS FOR THE NEXT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

No specific items were suggested except to start considering autumn and winter events.

**Resolved:** It was agreed to keep this open to include anything that may arise in the time between meetings.

EC30/23      **TO AGREE THE DATE AND LOCATION FOR THE NEXT EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Resolved:** The next Committee Meeting would be held May 2024 - 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 7.55 pm