# BRYNMAWR TOWN COUNCIL

***Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 31 May 2023 at 6.00pm via Microsoft Teams at 6.00pm.***

***Present: - Councillors J.M. Gardner (Presiding.)***

 ***G.D. Jones.***

 ***P. West***

 ***Mrs. O.M. Swales***

 ***Mrs. D. Brown.***

 ***J.M. Sutton***

 ***W.K. Hodgins***

 ***In Attendance: - Miss N. J. Williams (Asst. Town Clerk).***

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***38/23*** Apologies: - ***Mrs. A.C. Davie (Town Clerk), B.M. Sutton***,

***A. Talbot, M. Broderick.***

***39/23 The Chair welcomed members to the Annual Meeting of the Town Council.***

***40/23 Declaration of Interest and Dispensation***.

The Chair reminded members to make declarations of interest at appropriate points on the agenda.

***41/23 Annual Meeting of the Council – 25 May 2022.***

 ***Corrections – None.***

***42/23 It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May 2022. be approved.***

### 43/23 Appointment of Town Mayor.

 Councillor Julian Gardner asked for nominations for the position of Town Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

It was moved and seconded that Councillor Wayne Hodgins be elected for the Office of Town Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

 Councillor Wayne Hodgins accepted the position.

 It was unanimously agreed to congratulate Councillor Hodgins on his election as Town Mayor and wished him well for the forthcoming year.

***44/23*** ***Appointment of Deputy Mayor.***

 The Chair then asked for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

 It was moved and seconded that Councillor Andrew Talbot be re-elected for the Office of Deputy Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

 This was unanimously agreed.

 It was duly resolved that Councillor Andrew Talbot be Deputy Mayor for the year 2023/2024.

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***Representatives to Outside Bodies***.

### 45/23 Joint Committee of Local Councils – Blaenau Gwent

 It was moved and seconded that Councillors B.M. Sutton, J.M. Sutton and Mrs. O. M. Swales be the representatives together with the Mayor and Deputy.

***46/23 One Voice Wales.***

 It was moved and seconded that Councillor A. Talbot be the representative and Councillor G.D. Jones as substitute.

### 47/23 One Voice Wales – Gwent Valleys – Blaenau Gwent

 It was moved and seconded that Councillor J.M. Sutton, G.D. Jones, and A. Talbot be the representatives.

***48/23 Brecon Beacons National Park.***

 It was moved and seconded that the representatives be: -

 Councillors A. Talbot, G.D. Jones, P. West, J.M. Sutton, M. Broderick.

***49/23 Heritage Forum.***

It was moved and seconded that Councillor P. West be the representative.

***50/23 BGCBC Advisory Board.***

Members were informed that the BGCBC Advisory Board is responsible for overseeing the management of the Regeneration Programme, Economic Development and delivering events etc. The elected Member will be invited to meetings where they can be involved in BGCBC business and report back to Council.

It was moved and seconded that Councillor Mrs. O.M. Swales be the representative.

 ***Appointment to Committees***

##### **51/23 Planning & Urgent Matters Committee**

It was moved and seconded that Councillors Mrs. O.M. Swales, B.M. Sutton, G.D. Jones,

J.M. Sutton, J.M. Gardner, E.M. Hillier, Mrs. D. Brown together with the Mayor and Deputy be the representatives on the Planning Committee.

## 52/23 Finance Committee

 It was moved and seconded that Councillors Mrs. O.M. Swales, B.M. Sutton, G.D. Jones,

J.M. Sutton, J.M. Gardner, E.M. Hillier, Mrs. D. Brown together with the Mayor and Deputy be the representatives on the Finance Committee.

## 53/23 Allotment Committee.

 It was moved and seconded that the representatives be: -

E.M. Hillier, M. Broderick, J.M. Sutton, G.D. Jones, Mrs. O.M. Swales, B.M. Sutton with Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

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***54/23 Events Committee.***

It was moved and seconded that all Members Councillors Mrs. O.M. Swales, B.M. Sutton, G.D. Jones, J.M. Sutton, J.M. Gardner, E.M. Hillier, Mrs. D. Brown, P. West, M. Broderick together with the Mayor and Deputy be the representatives on the Events Committee.

***55/23 Authority to Sign Cheques.***

It was moved and seconded that Councillor B.M. Sutton, Councillor Mrs. O.M. Swales,

Mrs Angela C Davies, Town Clerk/RFO and Miss N.J. Williams, Asst Town Clerk be authorised to sign cheques on behalf of the Town Council for the year 2022/2023.

(2 signatories out of 4).

***Meeting closed at 18.58 hours.***

***Signed …………………………………………...........***

 ***Wayne. K. Hodgins - Town Mayor.***