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- (b) any declarations of interest;
- (c) any decision taken at the meeting, including the outcomes of any votes.

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BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GLOBALLY RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER AT 7PM

PRESENT: Councillors Clarke (Chairperson), Dancey, Johnson, Payne, Drake, E S Goodjohn, together with Councillor Perkes.

ALSO PRESENT: Jason Harvey – Engagement and Events Team Manager
Amanda Webb – Wellbeing Goals Officer
Joanne John – Engagement and Events Administrator
Councillor N. Hodges
Councillor S. Hodges

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

14. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE COUNCILS CODE OF CONDUCT

None received.

15. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015

RESOLVED: That the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 be received and noted.

16. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE GLOBALLY RESPONSIBLE BARRY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3 JUNE 2024.

Members agreed the minutes subject to the below correction:

P35 (3 June, Action Sheets) Minute No. 10 – Councillor Dancey has offered to contact Vale of Glamorgan Council in reference to the Refugee, Asylum and Displaced training.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Globally Responsible Committee held on 3 June 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record, subject the amendment above.

17. **GLOBALLY RESPONSIBLE BUDGET UPDATE**

Councillors queried where budget was being allocated and spent. The Engagement and Events Team Manager suggested that a request is made to the Deputy Chief Officer for an update on what is already committed from the budget (i.e Auditel).

RESOLVED:

- 1. The Engagement and Events Team Manager will request that a committed budget update be provided from the Deputy Chief Officer**
- 2. The Deputy Chief Officer sends a budget update to the committee members.**

18. **TO RECEIVE ACTION SHEET UPDATES FROM THE PREVIOUS GLOBALLY RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE**

Councillor Johnson raised concerns for the amount they were trying to cover as a committee, and was unsure if we had the resources available. He asked the committee to consider how they would work with Shop Local, and felt there were some actions that should remain as priorities going forward including the Community Orchard, achieving Net Zero as a Council, and Auditel. Concerns were raised that Auditel work may be falling behind on 2030 target due to Covid, BTC staff shortage, and committee meetings not being able to take place.

Councillors asked if there had been any progress with obtaining quotes for Legal Advice for the Community Orchard project. The Engagement and Events Team Manager advised that the question was being raised at the next Halls Committee, and was pending recommendation to Full Council. Councillors queried that the question should not be focussed on the costs, but if they want to proceed with the proposed site. The Chair agreed that access to the site is a potential problem.

Councillors asked for an update on organising a Multi-Cultural Event. The Wellbeing Projects Officer advised that the Vale of Glamorgan Council's contact is now on maternity leave, and is waiting for a response from their cover. The Chair advised that the Vale of Glamorgan Council are producing a report on this subject in October,

and that this project can't be progressed until we know what the Vale Council are planning.

The Chair requested that committee members go through previous action sheet and set priorities, but not to overwhelm the committee.

RESOLVED: That the report is received and noted.

19. **PHOTOGRAPH OF COMMITTEE TO BE TAKEN WITH FAIRTRADE CERTIFICATE**

RESOLVED: That a photo had been taken at the start of the meeting with Councillors present and Staff.

20. **UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GLOBALLY RESPONSIBLE WORKING PARTY**

Councillors discussed if setting up the working party was a priority at the moment. Councillors discussed previous Fairtrade certification schemes we have been a part of, and suggested we could create our own which would cost less, and enable us to high light good practice within local schools, businesses and organisations. Councillor Johnson advised the committee that Fairtrade fortnight had now been moved to September to coincide with the 30th anniversary of their launch. Councillors suggested that a certification scheme could run all year round, and wouldn't have to be restricted to Fairtrade fortnight. Membership of the Globally Responsible Working Party had been agreed at the Committee's previous meeting as Councillors Dancey, ES Goodjohn, Johnson and Payne. It was suggested that the Working Party continue in order to work on this, and the Wellbeing Goals Office will send suggested dates to the relevant members.

RESOLVED: That the Globally Responsible Working Party will go ahead, with the Wellbeing Goals Officer sending suggested dates to the members for their first meeting.

21. **AUDITEL UPDATE**

The Wellbeing Goals Officer advised members that she will be meeting the with the Deputy Chief Officer to assist gathering the data so that Auditel can continue their work. They are aiming to have all the data sent by the end of October. Councillors were advised that systems wouldn't allow a direct report function for this type of data, requiring the Deputy Chief Officer to manually analyse records. The Officer updated members that Scope 1 is complete, and we were now working through Scope 2 and 3. The officer advised that Auditel are unable to attend evening committee meetings due to their working hours, but will see if a daytime meeting can be arranged. Alternatively, members can send any queries they have via the Wellbeing Goals Officer. The Chair agreed it would be good to arrange a meeting with Auditel after they

have received all the information. Members added they would be able to use the report to help form the Globally Responsible programme. The Chair requested that a meeting is arranged to discuss the completed report as soon as available, and a preliminary report be sent to the committee in advance.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Wellbeing Goals Officer meet with the Deputy Chief Officer to gather all the data required for Auditel by the end of October 2024.**
- 2. That the preliminary Auditel report sent to committee members in advance of meeting once available.**
- 3. A meeting with Auditel to be arranged once report complete.**

22. LITTER PICK HUB / SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FROM KWT UPDATE

Members were advised that we are one of nine litter pick hubs in the Vale of Glamorgan, and have the highest number of collections / volunteers, with regular groups using the hub. Councillors commented it was nice to see the hub being well used.

The Wellbeing Goals Officer summarised the report with regards to the McDonalds sponsorship request by Keep Wales Tidy. This would include the McDonalds logo being displayed on the Keep Wales Tidy page of our website, but it would be made clear they were a sponsor. She also advised that it has been noticed that the amount of McDonalds litter found during litter picks in the area has reduced. The Chair raised concerns with regards to having the McDonalds logo on our website, and that it may be perceived as endorsing the company. Councillors agreed that they wouldn't want to endorse the company, and queried what the corporate social responsibility looks like for a corporate brand. There were concerns it would be supporting 'greenwashing', and it would go against the Wales Well-being of Future Generations act which is received and noted during Council meetings. The Chair commented that he had strong reservations, and requested the officer take the concerns back to Keep Wales Tidy and see if a compromise can be reached.

RESOLVED: That the Wellbeing Goals Officer will raise concerns with Keep Wales Tidy relating to the sponsorship request.

- 23.** The Chair noted that this was the Engagement and Events Team Manager's final committee meeting and thanked him for his work. The Chair went on to say as a committee they have enjoyed working with him,

and that he will be missed. The committee wished him luck with his next role, and hoped he would continue the good work for the Town.

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the next meeting of the Globally Responsible Committee is scheduled to be held on 13 January 2025 at 7pm.**
- 2. That an Extraordinary meeting be held early November to discuss the Committee's budget requirements for 2025/26, with the date to be confirmed.**

Meeting closed at 7:47pm.

Signed (Chairperson) Dated