



**BARRY TOWN COUNCIL
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PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BELOW STATUTORY PROVISIONS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE IS TO BE HELD ON A HYBRID BASIS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, KING SQUARE, BARRY, CF63 4RW AND REMOTELY ON MONDAY 21 JULY 2025 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSACTING THE BUSINESS SHOWN IN THE AGENDA SET OUT BELOW.

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Yours faithfully

Mark Sims
Acting Chief Officer

AGENDA

- 8. Recommendations from other Committees (Pages 1722-1723)**
 - a. Cemetery Trees**
 - b. Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery Tree Surgeon**

Distribution

The Mayor (Councillor Dennis Clarke) plus all other Town Councillors (22)
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FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE	21 JULY 2025	AGENDA ITEM: 8
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RECOMMENDATION FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Report Author

Mark Sims, Acting Chief Officer

- Attached:**
- A. For Councillors Only – Confidential Report from Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Report (Agenda Item 14) Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery Trees (3 pages)
 - B. For Councillors Only – Confidential Report from Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Report (Agenda Item 14a) Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery Tree Survey (28 pages)

Purpose of Report

To provide members with a Recommendation from the Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Committee held on 2 June 2025.

Background

At the Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Committee meeting on 2 June 2025 members were provided with an update relating to the Cemetery Trees for 2025/26. Minute number A171 **RESOLVED:**

1. **That members received and noted the report.**
2. **That Quotations 1 and 2 are accepted for the suggested works.**
3. **That the costs associated to Quotation 4 be included in the draft budget for 2026/27 (including an inflationary uplift).**

RECOMMENDATION

4. **That a report is sent to the meeting of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes committee on 21 July 2025 to request additional funds to proceed with the suggested works from Quotation 3.**

Financial Implications

As detailed in the Budget Monitoring Report June 2025 (agenda item 6) an amount of £7,500 is included within the Council budget for Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery/Tree Maintenance. An amount of £175 has already been expended during the three months to 30 June 2025 leaving a balance remaining of £7,325.

Work committed as per minute A171 above totals £3,120 further reducing the available balance to £4,205.

On Tuesday afternoon (15 July 2025) at approximately 3.30pm a large branch came down from a tree on section DD, going onto section NN. There was no damage to any memorials or any injuries to members of the public/staff as it fell onto open ground. The area was immediately made secure with the area being cordoned off, with our temporary part-time grounds maintenance operative / gravedigger (who is chainsaw trained) removing the fallen branch first thing on Wednesday morning. Unfortunately, the tree trunk bark has been stripped back, and with the tree now being unbalanced, as the remaining branches are all on one side, we contacted our tree consultants with details and photos, who advised that the tree wouldn't recover from the damage and recommended we remove the tree completely as it could topple in the near future. A verbal quotation has been provided indicating a cost of approximately £300, further reducing the available balance to £3,905.

Recommendations

Members are requested consider the Recommendation from the Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Committee requesting additional funding for the suggested works from quotation 3.