

From 1 May 2021, the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 sets out a statutory requirement that: As soon as reasonably practicable after a meeting of a community council, and in any event before the end of seven working days beginning with the day on which the meeting is held, the council must publish electronically a note setting out—

- (a) the names of the members who attended the meeting, and any apologies for absence;
- (b) any declarations of interest;
- (c) any decision taken at the meeting, including the outcomes of any votes.

Barry Town Council meets this duty by publishing this information in the form of draft meeting minutes which will be displayed electronically within 7 working days after the meeting. It should be noted that these minutes are DRAFT and not agreed until the next meeting.

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 MARCH 2026 AT 6PM

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor Clarke) together with Councillors Aviet, Ball, Brooks, Charles, Collins, Drake, EJ Goodjohn, ES Goodjohn, Hennessy, N Hodges, S Hodges, Iannucci-Williams, Johnson, McKinney, Payne, Thomas, Wilkinson and Wiliam

ALSO PRESENT:

Mark Sims	Deputy Chief Officer
Chris Mason	Head of Community Services and Facilities
Lyndsey Thomas	Administrator

708. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Dancey and Perkes.

709. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT**

Councillor Brooks informed members that she has been granted dispensation to allow her to **speak, vote and remain in meeting** of the Vale of Glamorgan and Barry town Council when matters relating to the Vale of Glamorgan Placemaking Plans are discussed - this was granted on 29th January 26 and stands until the next local election.

The Deputy Chief Officer confirmed that this dispensation had been received from the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Standards Committee.

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

RESOLVED: That the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 be noted.

711. **STANDING ORDER 3(o)**

RESOLVED: That Standing Order 3(o) be received and noted.

712. **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2026**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of Full Council held on Monday 16 February 2026 be approved and signed as a correct record.

713. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED: The next scheduled meeting of the Full Council will be held on Monday 11 May 2026.

714. **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: That in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public are excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

715. **PLACEMAKING PLAN FOR BARRY APPROVAL**

The Head of Community Services and Facilities presented the report to members.

Councillor E S Goodjohn arrived at 6:11pm.

Due to the confidential nature of this item, additional confidential notes will be held with the Chief Officer.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the report is received and noted**
- 2. That members approved the draft Barry Placemaking Plan**
- 3. That members accepted the SWOT analysis**
- 4. That the emphasis on a 'Town Centre First' approach be increased within the Placemaking Plan for Barry, with Holton Road and High Street treated equitably**
- 5. That members delegated future discussions on the Draft Placemaking Plan to the Planning Committee and the Vibrant Culture Committee, who in turn will send recommendations to Ful Council for approval**

716. **COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The Deputy Chief Officer presented the report to Council.

Councillor S Hodges thanked the Deputy Chief Officer for checking through the minutes so thoroughly as felt it was very worthwhile.

Councillor E J Goodjohn arrived at 6:16pm

Councillor Hennessy arrived at 6:18pm

RESOLVED:

1. That the report is received and noted.
2. That a grant of £25,000 be awarded for 2026/27 financial year to Mack Events for the main Glastonbarry event, with this spend to be allocated from the Corporate Projects / Arts, Culture and Entertainment budget heading.
3. That Barry Town Council be the 'Main Sponsor' of Gwyl Fach Y Fro in 2026 and 2027 with the associated funding be allocated to Menter Iaith Bro Morgannwg from the Corporate Grants / Arts, Culture and Entertainment budget heading in 2026/27 and 2027/28 financial years.

717.

CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

The Head of Community Services and Facilities presented the report to members.

Due to the confidential nature of this item, additional confidential notes will be held with the Chief Officer.

A vote was held. Seventeen voted for the recommendations, one against and one abstained.

RESOLVED:

1. That the report is received and noted
2. That members suspend Standing Order 20(d)
3. That members approve the recommend contract to lease three items of plant machinery
4. That members approve the disposal of existing machinery via sale to Pritchard's Holdings
5. That members authorise officers to progress procurement and implementation with effect from 1 April 2026

718.

HERITAGE CENTRE UPDATE

The Head of Community Services and Facilities presented the report to members.

Councillor N Hodges informed members as the Chair of the Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Committee that he was supportive of the report and quotes obtained

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A vote was held. Seventeen members voted for the recommendations, two members abstained.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the report is received and noted**
- 2. That members approve the freelance consultant to undertake a Heritage Centre feasibility report**
- 3. That members receive a further report at the Annual Meeting to provide an update and consider recommendations**
- 4. That members note expenditure for this support will be met from the existing salary that was ring fenced for the Heritage Centre Project Officer**

The meeting closed at 6.55pm

Signed**Dated.....**
(Town Mayor)