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LLWYDCOED CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Llwydcoed Crematorium Joint Committee held at the Civic Offices of Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, Merthyr Tydfil on Tuesday, 13th December 2016 commencing at 2.00 p.m.

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Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Councillors

A. Jones and A. Chaplin

Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Councillors

H. Boggis and (Mrs) J. S. Ward

Officers in Attendance

Ms. J. Lewis – Bereavement Services Manager
Mr. S. Preddy – Group Accountant, Community Services
Mr. R. De Benedictis – Community Facilities Manager
Mrs. L. Coughlan – Solicitor

16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from County Borough Councillors (Mrs) A. Crimmings, K. Morgan and A.S. Fox (Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council) and County Borough Councillor D. Isaac and K. Moran (Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council).

17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests in matters pertaining to the agenda.

18 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve as an accurate record, the minutes of the meeting of the Llwydcoed Crematorium Joint Committee held on 20th September 2016.

Matters Arising – Minute No. 15

The Committee was informed that temporary signs had been erected around the site warning the public about the drainage problems and hazards experienced at the site during inclement weather.

The Community Facilities Manager reported that a report on the land drainage issues at the Crematorium site is anticipated to be presented at the next meeting of the Llwydcoed Crematorium Joint Committee.

REPORT OF THE BEREAVEMENT SERVICES MANAGER

19 STATISTICS AND PERFORMANCE

In her report, the Bereavement Services Manager provided Members with Statistics and Performance figures relating to the operation of the Crematorium since the last meeting and following consideration thereof, it was **RESOLVED** to note the information.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

20 <u>2016/17 BUDGET MONITORING UPDATE</u>

The Group Accountant, Community Services presented the report of the Treasurer providing an update on the 2016/17 Budget Monitoring Report.

The Group Accountant highlighted a number of key features within the 2016/2017 Budget Monitoring Report and provided a summary position for 2016-17 which was attached to the report as Appendix 1. It was noted that there was a slight underspend within the Supplies & Service.

The Community Facilities Manager noted that Members were invited to attend a site visit at the Llwydcoed Crematorium and positive feedback had been received. He extended his invitation to those Members who were unable to attend and commented that he would be happy to arrange a further site visit if necessary.

It was **RESOLVED** that Members approve and note the 2016/17 budget monitoring update (Appendix 1).

21 VERBAL UPDATE – COMMUNITY FACILITIES MANAGER

The Community Facilities Manager provided Members with an oral update on the work undertaken to replace the cremators and ancillary remedial works at the Llwydcoed Crematorium.

The Community Facilities Manager reported that the facility was now fully operational and that the quality of the service delivery had greatly improved. Positive feedback had been received from all stakeholders.

Members were pleased to note that that they were happy with the work undertaken at the Llwydcoed Crematorium and thanked the Community Facilities Manager for the management of the ongoing works.

Following discussions, it was **RESOLVED** to acknowledge the work undertaken at the Llwydcoed Crematorium.

H. BOGGIS CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 2.15 p.m.