**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF PONTARDDULAIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON THE 27TH JANUARY 2022**

**PRESENT:** Cllr D. Beynon (Mayor) Cllr H. Roberts

 Cllr A. Wilson Cllr C. Evans

 Cllr R. Jenkins Cllr G. Griffiths

 Cllr G. John Cllr K. Griffiths

 Cllr K. Williams Cllr J. Harris

**153. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R. John and P. Downing.

**154. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNCIL’S CODE OF CONDUCT:**

There were no declarations received.

**155. TO CONSIDER AND DETERMINE AN ITINERARY OF SPECIAL EVENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/23:**

**(a) Queen’s Platinum Jubilee:**

The following was agreed:

* Commemorative memorabilia for primary aged children. Members to forward suggestions to the Clerk prior to next Council meeting on the 3rd February;
* Grants Officer to pursue grant opportunities;
* Light up the frontage of the Institute;
* Light up the trees in the Dulais Glen gardens;
* Message book in the Institute;
* Support local organisations who may be arranging Jubilee activities;
* Invite everyone to bring a picnic to Coedbach Park.

**(b) Summer Quiz:**

The following was agreed:

* Quiz to be held in the Pontarddulais rugby club in June;
* Cllrs D. Beynon, K, Griffiths, K. Williams, A. Wilson and R. Jenkins volunteered to assist the Clerk and Cllr G. John on the night.

**(c) Remembrance parade:**

It was agreed that in advance of Remembrance Sunday the usual meeting be held with the Vicar and local organisations that are involved in the ceremony.

**(d) Christmas Parade:**

It was agreed that the Clerk writes to the Secretary of the Festival Committee to ascertain their proposals for this year’s Christmas Parade. Members were agreed that in principle the parade should be arranged for the first Friday in December, commencing from the western entrance to the town.

**(e) Christmas Market:**

It was agreed in principle that an outdoor Christmas market be held in the circular area between Tesco and St Teilo Street. Date to coincide with the Christmas Parade.

**(f) Christmas Quiz:**

It was agreed that a Christmas Quiz be held in the rugby club in December 2022.

**(g) Other:**

(i) Pantomime – agreed to recommence the pantomime subject to sufficient volunteers;

(ii) 100 year Centenary of Coedbach Park – to be discussed with the Town Band.