**Minutes of Amenities Committee held on Wednesday at 6.00 pm 21st October 2015 at the Community Centre Mercia Square, Mynydd Isa.**

PRESENT.

**Committee Members:** Cllr R W Marsh, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Norwood

Cllr D Jenkins Cllr C Bull

**In attendance:** Clerk Rhodri Hampson-Jones and

**Apologies**: Cllr McGuill, Redbud Ltd

**Absent: None**

**Declaration of interests:** None

**Recording of Minutes:** Committee members were advised that the minutes were not being recorded.

**Redbud Contract review:**

The members discussed the contract and wanted to continue in its present state but the emphasis should be more on maintaining plants than litter picking. The Council should look into using volunteers in the community to do the litter picking.

Planting out for the winter will not be done this year as the budget is spent however Daffodil and Tulip Bulbs should be purchased so that there is a display in early part of the year.

**Recommendation:** **To suspend winter planting for this year and to purchase bulbs up to £100**

**Bryn Y Baal Quarry**

The Clerk received a quote of £95 for the A4 sign and showed the wording to the committee.

**Recommendation: The Clerk is to proceed with the sign.**

The Grass Cutting has been carried out at the quarry the Charge of £50 will be paid in November.

**Hanging basket Tree** the members were advised that the tree will be ordered as agreed by council for delivery in the first week in April as it won’t be needed until then and will be part of next year’s budget.

Before the design is agreed a representative of Abbey Metals will need to have a site visit to determine the base.

**Transfer of assets Update**

The Council has received a reply regarding the transfer of assets where FCC takes over our lighting and Argoed takes over the maintenance of the parks and green spaces.

**Parks update**

It was confirmed that match funding had been received for Heol Fammau park

**Recommendation: The equipment should be suitable for 8-10 years ol.**

**Next Meeting: 11th November**

**Meeting Terminated: 6.55 pm**