

PORTHCAWL TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE Special MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 22nd MAY 2018

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS: N Clarke (Mayor)

M Chegwen	B Lewis
M Clarke	S Maitland-Thomas
L Desmond-Williams	C Smart
M Emmet-Lewis	L Tallon-Morris
A Harris	P Winstanley
B Jones	C Wintle

CLERK: Mrs A Thomas

14. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs A Thomas (Personal), T Hill (Work Commitment), G Walter (Work Commitment), S Aspey (Personal) and R Leonard-Davies (Personal).

15. To receive Members' Declarations of Interest in respect of the business to be transacted

Cllr C Smart	Item 16	Personal, Vice-President
Cllr C Wintle	Item 16	Personal, President
Cllr M Clarke	Item 15	Personal, BCBC Member
Cllr N Clarke	Item 15	Personal, BCBC Member

16. To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 12th April 2018

Page 1, Minute 328

Members advised that Cllr Wintle is the *President* of the Rugby Club, not the *Chairman* as stated in the minutes.

(Cllrs B Jones and S Maitland Thomas arrived.)

Resolved: To confirm and sign the Minute of the Meeting of Council held on 12th April 2018 as a true and accurate record with above amendment

Cllr B Jones declared an interest in Item 15, Personal, BCBC Member.

17. To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 10th May 2018

Resolved: To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on 10th May 2018 as a true and accurate record

18. To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th April 2018 (for information purposes only)

Page 5, Minute 342

Members were informed that the Borough Councillors had recently met with Andrew Parry-Jones and Cllr. Dr. Charles Smith to discuss regeneration within Porthcawl. Some new exciting ideas were currently being considered and Members were informed that these would be shared when the officer and Cabinet Member attended the next meeting of Full Council.

Borough Members briefly outlined the items that were being considered by BCBC in relation to Regeneration and were in agreement that these were a positive move for Porthcawl.

Members stressed the importance of attending the Full Council meeting in June as they were likely to be provided with a lot of information at the meeting.

Page 6, Minute 350

The Clerk was asked to confirm that Cllr Aspey had taken this item forward with the Borough Council.

19. To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 10th May 2018 (for information purposes only)

Page 3/4, Minute 8

Members were advise that if they represented the Town Council on an organisation that they are expected to report back to Council on items from the organisation. The principal behind a Town Councillor being a representative was to ensure that the Town Council is aware of things that are taking place around the town.

The Clerk informed Members she would now advised the identified organisations of their Town Council representatives.

20. To adjourn, if necessary, to take Public Question Time

No questions received.

21. To note for information Mayoral Announcements and Engagements

Members were reminded that this item was on the agenda to provide Members with an opportunity to know about the events that the Mayor was attending and Councillors are able to attend with the Mayor to support the organisations. Members should always check that the event is open to them before they attend as some events are closed, ticketed events.

Resolved: To note for information only

22. To consider report from Porthcawl Town Council Community Projects Officer

The Projects Officer advised Members that he would produce a full report on projects to the meeting in June. As this was a special meeting, there was only one item on the report for consideration. The item considered was merely an information gathering exercise requested by Members, in relation to crossing points on the dual carriage way into Porthcawl.

Members were made aware that Awen Cultural Trust had responded to the items raised and advised that they were going to repair the fencing as appropriate. Bridgend CBC had not yet responded to concerns raised.

Members were informed that V2C had not been contacted as the officer was unaware that Members had required contact to be made with them about this item.

Members suggested that a gate option should be pursued by Awen Trust and possible palisade fencing. These suggestions should be passed to Awen.

Resolved: To note report with thanks

*Members agreed to vary the order of the Agenda
in line with Standing Order 10(a)(vi)*

23. To consider item email correspondence Cllr K Watts – Gateway Feature Sign

Members were in full support of a sign being erected saying 'Welcome to Porthcawl.' Members questioned why the item was only being proposed for the Newton end of town. Members were reminded that Cllr Watts was a Newton Councillor, and was accessing his Community Action Fund for the item.

Members were advised that the sign would be bi-lingual. Members also discussed the proposed location for the sign.

Following discussion

Resolved: To grant permission for the Town Council Crest to be used on the signage

Resolved: To agree and support the application for a Gateway Feature sign for Porthcawl as outlined in the correspondence

24. To approve item Monthly Account February and March 2018

Resolved: To approve item Monthly Accounts for February and March 2018

25. To approve item Annual Accounts for the Year End 31st March 2018

Members questioned what the breakdown expenditure costs were for Tourist Promotion. The Clerk referred Members to Appendix B which outlined this information.

Resolved: To approve Annual Accounts for the Year End 31st March 2018

26. To confirm office key holder 2018-2019

Resolved: To confirm Cllr Brian Jones as the Office key holder 2018-2019

27. To agree item Deputy Mayoral Allowance 2018-2019

Resolved: To agree the sum of £500 for the Deputy Mayoral Allowance 2018-2019

28. To accept and adopt Mayoral Expenses Protocol

Resolved: To accept and immediately adopt Mayoral Expenses Protocol

29. To consider item correspondence Ms. S Jones, Development Planning Manager, Bridgend CBC – Bridgend Local Development Plan (2013) – Consultation on Draft Review Report

Resolved: Individual Councillors may respond if they wish to do so

30. To consider item Porthcawl Rugby Club – acknowledgement of recent WRU Bowl success (S Maitland-Thomas)

Cllr Maitland-Thomas advised that he had made enquiries with several open top bus companies. Unfortunately, he had either received no response, or the buses were unavailable. It was suggested that celebrations of the win should be merged with the Carnival, taking place in July. The Clerk reminded

Members that the Town Council were not organisers of the carnival, therefore could not dictate who could be involved in it.

Several other ideas were suggested for ways in which to honour the Rugby Club.

Following a lengthy discussion

Resolved: To invite members of Porthcawl Rugby Club to a future Town Council meeting and present them with a plaque honouring their recent success

31. To agree item Events Budget 2018-2019

Members were reminded that it was the role of the Events Officer to produce a report for Members to approve which outlined the details of proposed events of the Town Council. Members could contribute to this report by contacting the Events Officer to discuss the events.

Members were reminded that the Town Council only had two remaining events for this year - the Summer Festival and the Christmas Event.

Following discussion

**Resolved: To approve the Events Budget 2018-2019 as follows:
Summer Festival £5,000
Christmas Event £12,000**

32. To renew SLCC Membership at a cost of £210

Resolved: To renew SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks) Membership at a cost of £210

The meeting concluded at 8.10pm