

PORTHCAWL TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD (ELECTRONICALLY) ON THURSDAY, 3rd SEPT 2020

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS: B Jones (Mayor), S Aspey, B Lewis, M Chegwen, S Maitland-Thomas, N Clarke, J Pratt, M Clarke, R Smith, M Emment-Lewis, G Walter, T Hill, C Wintle, R Lee, L Tallon-Morris

CLERK: S Elder CMgr MCM

ASSISTANT CLERK: S Watkins

73. To receive apologies for absence

None received

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

None Declared

75. To adjourn if necessary to take question to take public question time.

No questions

76. To consider item – Internal Audit Report for 2019 – 2020 Financial Year

Item withdrawn

77. To consider item – Annual Return for 2019 – 2020 Financial Year

Item Withdrawn

78. To consider item – To accept One Voice Wales Financial Regulations

It was proposed and seconded that the below be accepted by Council:

1. That Porthcawl Town Council adopts the OVW regulations and takes the necessary steps to implement the regulations without delay.
 - a) It is noted that in the document adopted that specifically in section 4 that example financial limits etc are in parenthesis. As part of the implementation these financial limits will be replaced by those that have already been approved by Council.
2. Delegated authority is given to the Finance and Governance Committee to develop an action plan to:
 - a) Identify and make any changes necessary to financial processes and procedures in order to comply with the adopted regulations.
 - b) Agrees an appropriate training plan with the RFO.
3. That Council includes in that delegation the authority to:
 - a. Discontinue the arrangements with PML when considered prudent.
 - b. To identify and implement, appropriate training for the RFO which is likely will be provided by an RFO from another Town or Community Council initially through training and then coaching with a sensible cap on the period involved.
 - c. A budget of up to £1500 to cover training and any other implementation costs.

79. Clerks Report: The Clerk apologised as regards the withdrawn items as it was within the Councils interest to receive and agree the Annual Statement prior to the Annual Report. This was a learning moment for the new Clerk and was understood and supported by Council Members.

The Meeting Concluded 1920hrs