

PORTHCAWL TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD (ELECTRONICALLY) ON THURSDAY 24th FEBRUARY 2022

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS:

T Hill

M Chegwen

R Lee

M Emment-Lewis

B Lewis

B Jones

J Perren

J Manley

J Pratt

TOWN CLERK:

K Grabham

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK:

S Watkins

LOCUM CLERK:

C John

FACILITIES MANAGER:

K Sutton

THE TOWN CLERK ADVISED EVERYONE PRESENT THAT THE MEETING WAS BEING RECORDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECENT UNANIMOUS DECISION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

190. To receive apologies for absence.

Cllrs M Clarke	-	Personal
Cllr L Desmond Williams	-	Personal
Cllr L Tallon	-	Personal
Cllr Alex Harris	-	Personal

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

None received.

192. To receive the report of the Finance and Governance Committee dated 17 February 2022.

Noted members names of the committee at bottom of the agenda had been amended.

Noted that there would be a further meeting of the Finance and Governance Committee in April 2022 to consider the Annual Accounts

Resolved: To accept the report of the Finance and Governance Committee

193. To receive the report of the Operations Committee dated 17 February 2022.

Cllr Perren presented the report to Council.

Cllr Jones advised that he had not received certain papers relating to this item. Cllr Perren provided a verbal report to all members to ensure everyone was aware of the full content of the report.

Discussion took place about potential savings that could be made with regards cleaning chemicals and supplies.

KS provided members with details of comparison quotes for cleaning chemicals and supplies.

Cllr Jones asked for all relevant information regarding this matter to be sent to him.

Discussion took place about preferred suppliers being local against cost effectiveness.

Cllr Perren referred to item 6 on the Report – Griffin Park and it was confirmed that costs had been investigated in detail on this matter. Agreed as this was on the agenda for discussion details would be discussed at this.

Resolved: To accept the report of the Operation Committee dated 17 February 2022

194. To consider delegation of authority for invoice payments on behalf of Council during PEP

Resolved: That plenary powers are given to Town Clerk and Mayor of Porthcawl for invoice payments

(Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public are excluded from the agenda item.

195. To consider the recommendations coming out of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday 21st February 2022.

Following discussion:

Resolved: To accept the recommendations of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday 21st February 2022

Lengthy discussion took place about the content of the report.

Council was asked to consider two options regarding the Town and Community Council Fund :-

Exercise Equipment at Newton Park or Veterans Building at Griffin Park

Resolved: That the Town Clerk and Facilities Manager attempt to submit an application for funding for equipment at Newton Park within the very narrow timescales.

Members were reminded that Mr G Smith (BCBC CAT Officer) had suggested that Council submit a "wish list" for Griffin Park to P Kestle (BCBC) to see what could and what could not be progressed at Griffin Park.

Resolved: That the Town Council wish list is forwarded to P Kestle (BCBC)

Agreed that it would be beneficial for a further meeting to take place between the Town Council and the Bowls Club.

196. To consider report of Staffing Committee Meeting held on 8th February 2022 .

Cllr Chegwen presented both reports to Council. Cllr Chegwen expressed his disappointment at having to present this report to Council.

Cllr Chegwen relayed the resolutions of the Staffing Committee to the Council.

Resolved: To accept the report of the Staffing Committee held on 8th February 2022

Resolved: To accept the recommendations of the Staffing Committee held on 8th February 2022.

197. To consider report of Staffing Committee Meeting held on 22nd February 2022 .

Resolved: To accept the recommendations of the Staffing Committee held on 22 February 2022.

Confirmed that a further meeting would take place on Monday 7th March 2022.

Cllr Chegwen relayed the resolutions of the Staffing Committee to the meeting.

Resolved: To accept the report of the Staffing Committee held on 22nd February 2022.

Clerk to make relevant enquiries with Town Council insurers.

Meeting concluded at 8.20pm