

PENCOED TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING, WEDNESDAY 13th October
2021
At Salem Chapel , Pencoed.

Present Councillors: Mrs M. Evans -- Town Mayor
R.J. Hancock OBE
R. Williams
J. McCarthy
Mrs J. Ryan
J. Butcher
W. Bond
D. John BEM

In Attendance : G. Thomas Town Clerk

The Mayor cordially welcomed those present and commented that it was nice to see Cllr B. Sedgebeer in attendance.

7972 Apologies for absence and dispensation.

Apologies were received from the following Councillors
Cllr. Mrs L. Lewis (illness)

To Receive declaration of interest
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Cllr R. J. Hancock OBE reference to Pencoed RFC

7974 To Receive Police Report

The Town Clerk reported that there was no report.
He also indicated that Pencoed was losing its Community Sergeant to another position in the Police Force but a replacement had not as yet been appointed or notified to the Council

7975 To receive duly notified questions from the Public

There were no questions received

7976 To Receive Mayoral messages

The Mayor indicated that she had held the following meetings and gave an update on outcomes therefrom:

Presentation evening Pencoed Cricket Club

Enjoyable evening, and presented Cheque for £1000 from the Council as sponsorship for 22/23 Season

Friday 8th October meeting in Croesty with Cllr Tracey Lyddon regarding Christmas Competitions

Xmas Meeting held on 12th October matters progressing satisfactorily

Remembrance parade going ahead on 14th November 2021

Growing a Safer Community – next meeting to be held in the New Year

The Mayor was thanked for her report

7977 To receive/confirm the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 8th September 2021

The above minutes were approved and accepted together with the recommendations therein

7978 To receive/confirm the minutes of the Projects Ctee meeting held on 29th September 2021

The above minutes were approved and accepted together with the recommendations therein

7979 To receive/confirm the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Cttee meeting held on 29th September 2021

Subject to the inclusion of a declaration of interest by Cllr R. J. Hancock OBE, the above minutes were approved and accepted together with the recommendations therein

7980 To receive reports from representatives to outside bodies

There were no reports received

7981 To receive an update of the Vacancy of Town Councillor- Penprysg Ward. Co-option

The Town Clerk gave an overview of the situation whereby no applications for co-option had been received.

Following comment and discussion it was **RESOLVED** to retain this item on future agendas

To consider the Town Clerks' general report

7982 The Town Clerk verbally reported on the following:

.1. Staffing Matters

Hanging baskets being taken down w/c 18th October 2021

2. Remembrance Sunday

Arrangements for the event were currently being finalised but concerns were being expressed in relation to using Salem Chapel as a venue due to the fact that the Service held at Salem is very well attended and that social distancing would be required.

3. Fireworks Display

This is now going ahead with the event commencing at 6.15pm on Friday 5th November 2021

4. Pavilion

The Town Clerk indicated that he was still experiencing in the RFC complying with the "Hire Agreement" and advised members of his concerns going forward and what had been noticed on Monday 11th October 2021 following an inspection he had made.

Following discussion and concerns expressed it was **RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk devise an appropriate form that needed to be completed and received prior to access being allowed to the Pavilion. Failure to complete the form will result in the Pavilion being closed.

The position be monitored over the next three months.

5. Town Council Car Park

The Town Clerk reported that long term parking of vehicles was apparent in the car park. Police action could not be taken as the land was privately owned.

RESOLVED to 1. Provide appropriate notices indicating that long term parking and overnight stays were not allowed
2. The Town Clerk seek quotations for the putting up of a "height barrier " at the entrance to the Car Park
3. Enquiries be made with the Traffic Commissioner regarding "O" licences of certain vehicle being parked in the Car Park

RESOLVED to accept the Town Clerk's report with thanks

7983 To receive the Creditors list for the period 1st Sept 2021 to 30th Sept 2021

The Town Clerk circulated the information below at the meeting.
Together with details of expenditure to date and Bank Reconciliation

Creditor list Sept 2021

AW Salary	bacs	xxxx
GLT Salary	bacs	xxxx
G. Griffiths(Pay)	bacs	xxxx
D.Lewis(Pay)	bacs	xxxx
Days	dd	392.40
BCBC	dd	120.00
Sol in Tech Tel	dd	61.82
Sol in Tech Copier		0.23
HMRC (June)	bacs	1263.59
Allstar	dd	121.64
Credit union AW	bacs	100.00
Credit union DL	bacs	60.00
Credit Union GLT	bacs	50.00
Aviva EE	bacs	0.00
Aviva ER	bacs	0.00
Aviva Admin	bacs	41.00
Bookers	bacs	125.25
Bookers	bacs	61.02
Complete Business Solutions	bacs	148.61
Turf Sports	bacs	1394.52
LasersR us	bacs	77.50
Contact PPE	bacs	60.78
Zoom Renewal	bacs	143.88
Fire Extinguishers	bacs	83.00
HCR Computers	bacs	35.00
SWALEc Toilets	bacs	94.08
Pencoed RFC	103473	500.00
Pencoed WI	bacs	250.00
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=£4278.56

Expenditure marked XXXX

9462.88

Total Expenditure = £

7984 Budget 2022/23

The Town Clerk indicated that there would be requirement to increase the Precept requirement for 2022/23 amounting to £5000 (3.1% increase) in order to meet expected and known commitments.

Following some considerable discussion it was to **RESOLVED** increase the Precept by £5000 for the year 2022/23 and to indicate to BCBC that they also should be looking at the aspects of what Westminster Government known intentions are in reducing financial benefits and earnings, coupled with energy increases these will have a dramatic effect on residents ability to absorb any substantial increase in council tax.

In the context of not applying reductions in benefits and Central government decisions on pension together with earnings of employed persons the consultation document issued by the IRPW is considered to be very insensitive in what is being proposed and an appropriate response be made on behalf of the Council directly to the IRPW

Correspondence

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The Town Clerk referred to a letter from Coity Walia further to a commitment made by the Council previously in support of their continued financial ability to maintain the Common.

The Town Clerk indicated that a sum of £3000 was already allocated out of the balances of the Council.

RESOLVED to issue a cheque to Coity Walia in the sum of £3000 and that the matter be further reviewed in due course.

7986 Items for future Agenda

Provision of Benches

January 2022 further consideration of the Financial Situation of Coity Walia

7987 To consider passing the following resolution:

That 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 be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

The resolution was not passed

Meeting ended at 8.35 pm.