

Pencoed Town Council

Minutes of Full Council meeting Thursday 12th October 2023

Salem Chapel Vestry, Pencoed

Present Councillors:

B Doughty – Town Mayor/Chair

R.J Hancock OBE

R. Williams

J. Butcher

T. Lyddon

J. Ryan

C. Cannon

W. Bond

P. Edwards

M. Evans

In attendance: Geraint Thomas, Town Clerk

This was a Hybrid meeting, and the zoom link was tested prior to meeting commencing.

8335 Apologies for absence and dispensation

Cllr L. Lewis – Away from Pencoed

Cllr H Whyley – Away from Pencoed

8336 Declarations of interest

Declarations of interest were received from

Cllr M. Evans - Reference being a BCBC member on Coity Walia

Cllr R. Williams – Reference being a BCBC Member and Town council representative on Coity Walia

8337 To receive the police report and any correspondence

No report was received

8338 To receive duly notified questions from the public

No questions were received

8339 To receive Mayoral messages

The Mayor did not have any messages other than to comment on the successful Training Event held in the Vestry on Thursday 5th October 2023 delivered by Paul Egan of One Voice Wales.

RESOLVED to note

8340 To receive the minutes of the full council meeting held on 14TH September 2023

RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted and the recommendations therein

8341 To further consider and approve the budget for 2024/25 and the precept requirement for 2024/25.

RESOLVED – Following the earlier recommendation from the Finance and Projects the Budget for 2024/2025 was approved along with the Precept requirement of £175,000 . BCBC to be informed of the Precept requirement accordingly

8342 To receive reports from the representatives to the outside bodies

1. Coity Walia – Cllr Butcher reported on this matter with a verbal request From Coity Walia in respect of the following

1. Financial support for Coity Walia from PTC
2. Request for a meeting on the Miner’s Path and maintenance thereof

The following explanation was given regarding 1 and 2 above in light of the discussion that took place

Background

The issue relating to the Miners Path refers to a maintained section of the path from the year 2000 until 2010 under an agreement with the Board of Conservators to lease an area of land commonly known as the Millennium Wood.

In or about 2012 the Chair of the Commoners brought up the fact that the lease had expired and needed to be renewed or otherwise returned to its previous condition and the lease surrendered.

The Council took the option not to renew and to return the land to an acceptable state prior to that .There was some agreed work to the miners path at that time paid for by the Council (£5500) and the Land and the Path were returned back to Coity Walia.

Funding

In respect of the item regarding funding to maintain the ongoing upkeep of the Common following the decision of BCBC to withdraw the annual grant of £20000 per annum it was agreed that PTC would be prepared to contribute £3000 to supplement the sum of £5000 from BCBC which was I believe matched by the Lady of the Manor on condition that other

Community Councils would make appropriate contributions to enable the necessary work to be continued. PTC agreed to make their contribution for the first year in good faith in the expectation that those other Community Councils made their contribution.

The Council understands that those other contributions were not made .

PTC therefor made no further payments but were supportive of the application for the Board of Conservators to be awarded Precepting Status and that remains as our position.

In relation to request for a meeting with Coity Walia, it was considered that it would be inappropriate and that this point in time. Cllr Butcher was asked to advise Coity Walia accordingly of the Council's response to the verbal request(s) made.

- Town and Community Council's Forum – No meeting
- Rockwool Meetings – No Meeting
- One Voice Wales & The Larger Council Forum- No meeting
- Youth Engagement Committee No Meeting – Noted that Mayor has asked Cllr Evans and Cllr Willaims to bring this to BCBC attentions
- Welfare Hall Management Committee - No Meeting
- Friends of Salem – No meeting
- Liaison Group Pencoed RFC - No meeting
- Safer Streets - Cllr Evans advised that she has made a representation on behalf of the council regarding additional funding for safer streets, there has been no outcome as of yet. Town Clerk and Mayor to attend on line seminar on community safety.
- 21st Century Schools Group No meeting – On this matter it ws resolved that OVW take up the matter of funding under Barnet System with the Welsh Government. (This was being applied in England

RESOLVED to accept the reports and information provided with thanks and note the actions to be taken by the relevant persons.

8342 To consider the Town Clerk's General report

The Town Clerk referred to the following:

Staffing Matters

No applications have been received for the part time assistant position. Advert still remains on noticeboards, Council Website and OVW Website.

Coed Iestyn Woods

The Contractual works have now been finished and the Woods are now open to the public

Future meeting

A meeting of the Mayoral Sub Cttee is to be re-convened

Mayor's Parlor

This is now in need of substantial remediation work to allow us to use this room, town clerk provided list of works that are must be carried out. Due to the level of work that is required, we will have to put this out for tender . A deadline of 12 noon on Wednesday 8th November. A meeting of Cttee 2 be convened for this date as well.

It was unanimously agreed to sekk Tenders for the work.

Resolved to accept the report with thanks and endorse the actions taken

8344 To receive a list of creditors from the1st September to the 30th September

Creditors List 1st September to the 30th September

AW Salary	bacs	XXXX
GLT Salary	bacs	XXXX
D.Lewis(Pay)	bacs	XXXX
R Frewen	bacs	XXXX
Days	dd	392.40
BCBC	dd	100.00
BCBC	dd	00.00
Sol in Tech Tel	dd	108.65
Sol in Tech Copier	bacs	47.89
HMRC	dd	1446.70
HMRC	dd	1446.70
Allstar	bacs	131.68
Credit union AW	bacs	100.00
Credit union DL	bacs	93.00
Credit Union GLT	bacs	100.00
Aviva EE	bacs	90.45
Aviva ER	dd	90.45
Aviva Admin	bacs	41.00
Nolan	bacs	52.50
Nolan	bacs	52.50
Nolan	bacs	52.50
Nolan	bacs	105.00
Nolan	bacs	52.50
Nolan	bacs	129.00
Bridgend Carers	bacs	250.00
Pencoed Athletic BGC	Bacs	250.00
Swalec	Bacs	236.97
Rhys Williams	s/o	120.00

Sashes	Bacs	35.52
Mossfords	bacs	14514.00
Nathan Thomas	Bacs	5000.00
R&E fire Ext	Bacs	65.00
zoom	Bacs	143.88
Pritchard Recycling	Bacs	751.87
Bridgeside	Bacs	360.00
Brdigeside	Bacs	360.00
Bridgeside	Bacs	360.00
Bridgeside	Bacs	420.00
Glasdon	Bacs	631.63
Bookers	Bacs	98.03
Mower magic	Bacs	39.34
Salem	Bacs	2527.39
TCRM	s/o	100.80

Expenditure marked XXXX = £ 5049.36

Total Expenditure = £35946.71

RESOLVED – The creditors list was accepted along with details of expenditure to date and bank reconciliation for September 2023

8345 Correspondence - none received

8346 If appropriate, to receive items for future agendas

None

8347 To consider passing the following resolution

That in the 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 temporary excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

The resolution was not passed

MEETING ENDED AT 7.52 pm