

Pencoed Town Council

Minutes of Full Council meeting Thursday 9th November 2023

Salem Chapel Vestry, Pencoed

Present Councillors:

B Doughty – Town Mayor/Chair

R.J Hancock OBE

J. Butcher

T. Lyddon

J. Ryan

C. Cannon

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.

8348 Apologies for absence and dispensation

Apologies were received from the following due to illness

Cllr R. Williams Cllr W. Bond

Resolved to send get well soon cards to both Council

8349 Declarations of interest

Declarations of interest were received from

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

Cllr T. Lyddon

8350 To receive the police report and any correspondence

No report was received. Apologies had been received that Police presence was not available for “cuppa with a copper” on the 7th November 2023

RESOLVED to note

8351 To receive duly notified questions from the public

No questions were received

8352 To receive Mayoral messages

The Mayor reported on the successful, well attended Fire Works Display on the 5th November 2023. He personally thanked all involved on the night for their efforts in arranging and participation.

He also indicated that he spoke to a number of the Public who were in attendance and they wished to thank the Council for the display organized.

Authority is given to the Mayor to wear his chain of Office on Saturday 11th November 2023 at the Cenotaph

RESOLVED to note

8353 To receive the minutes of the full council meeting held on 12th October 2023

RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted and the recommendations therein

8354 To receive the minutes of the Planning and Public Consultation Cttee 1 meeting held on 2nd November 2023

RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted and the recommendations therein

(The Town clerk indicated that the two policies contained within the minutes of this Cttee were include in the packs to members i.e. Bio-diversity Policy and Vexations Complainants Policy)

8355 To receive an update from the Mayoral Sub Cttee held on 24th October 2023

The Town Clerk indicated that the matters were yet to be referred to the Finance and Projects Cttee 2. before coming to Council.

A meeting of the Cttee 2 is being held on Tuesday 14th November 2023

8356 To consider a matter related to Coity Walia following the Council meeting held on 12th October 2023

This matter be deferred to a future meeting

The Meeting was adjourned to allow those present to consider the document issued at the meeting by the Town Clerk on the subject of Local Resolution Protocol/Policy

Following the adjournment it was **RESOLVED** to accept the contents of the document and to arrange suitable training for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor in order that they can fulfil the roles expected within the Policy.

8357 To consider the IPRW document – Councillor Allowances – Home working

The Town Clerk stated that he would now have to write to individuals Councillors on this matter, for them to endorse or otherwise that they undertake homeworking in order that a payment can be made to them tax free.

Resolved to note what is required and that the recommended allowance of £156 be approved.

8358 To Open Tenders received to carry out work at the Former Mayor’s Parlour in the Pavilion, Felindre Road, Pencoed.

The Town Clerk stated that he had received two tenders for the work at the Pavilion.

And proceeded to open them

RESOLVED that plenary powers be given to the Finance and Projects Cttee 2 to deal with the Tenders and award as appropriate, subject to checks being made by the Town Clerk on the submissions etc.

8359 To receive reports from the representatives to the outside bodies

- Coity Walia –Rockwool Meetings – No Meeting had taken place but reference was made to the involvement of Cennin and Coity Walia in relation to the proposed windfarm and perceived financial benefits attributable to Coity Walia. Cllr Butcher was asked to report back on this matter.
- One Voice Wales & The Larger Council Forum- No meeting
- Youth Engagement Committee No Meeting – Concerns were expressed yet again on this matter. Reference was being made by the Leader of BCBC in recent emails regarding the increase youth activities being provided. The Mayor and Cllr Evans to take this matter up at the Town and Community Forum on the 13th November 2023 being 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 – AGM meeting 8th November 2023 was adjourned in accordance with the constitution of the Charity . Meeting re-convened for Wednesday 15th November 2023 @10am
- Liaison Group Pencoed RFC - No meeting
- Safer Streets - Cllr Evans advised that the next meeting was being held on 27th November 2023
- 21st Century Schools Group No meeting

The Town Clerk requested that the Penprysg Bridge be considered as a future topic.

Resolved to request an update from the Leader of BCBC on this matter

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

8360 To consider the Town Clerk's General report

The Town Clerk referred to the following:

Staffing Matters

Expression of interest received in respect of the Part Time Administrative position advertised

Coed Iestyn Woods

Damage already caused at the Woods including destruction of slate memorial plaque.

Clerks' Pay award 2023

RESOLVED to implement the pay award

High Sherriff Awards

Resolved to circulate information on the awards as received to all Councillors for nominations as appropriate.

Mrs. H. Bishop be nominated for the BCBC Mayoral Award this year.

Prospective project

Prospective project on Tennis facilities be referred to the Finance and Projects Cttee 2

8361 To receive a list of creditors from the 1st October 2023 to the 31st October 2023

RESOLVED – The creditors list was accepted along with details of expenditure to date and bank reconciliation for September 2023. Noted that Chair of Finance has raised matters with the Clerk for investigation.

8362 Correspondence - none received

8363 If appropriate, to receive items for future agendas

None

8364 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 8.05 pm

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