**Pencoed Town Council**

**Minutes of Full Council meeting Thursday 18th January 2024**

**Salem Chapel Vestry, Pencoed**

**Present Councilors:**

B Doughty – Town Mayor/Chair

R.J Hancock OBE

R.Williams

J. Butcher

T. Lyddon

J. Ryan

C. Cannon

P. Edwards

M. Evans

In attendance: Geraint Thomas, Town Clerk and Admin Assistant Morgan Davies

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

**8377 Apologies for absence and dispensation**

Apologies were received From H. Whyley via the Admin Assistant

**8378 Declarations of interest**

Declarations of interest were received from the following:

Cllr Lyddon – In regards to Croesty Primary School

Cllr Evans – Coity Walia Member and Borough Councillor

Cllr Hancock – Reference Pencoed RFC and Friends of Salem

**8379 To receive the police report and any correspondence**

* The Mayor stated that he is disappointed even though we have 1 PC and 2 PCSO that we have not received any reports or their presence at Council meetings.
* Cllr Hancock OBE, agrees with the comments. The reason we are given is that the Police are under resourced and do not have enough manpower to cover our area. Resolved to write to the Police Commissioner regarding this matter – Cllr Hancock OBE moved the motion, seconded by Cllr P. Edwards
* The Clerk confirmed that he has written before to the Crime Commissioner on this matter. The Clerk will write to the Commissioner and ask him to attend.
* Cllr M Evans advised the PSCOs to attend but covid happened and it’s been hard to get this put back in place.

**8380 To receive duly notified questions from the public**

No questions were received

**8381 To receive Mayoral messages**

* The Mayor formally welcomed Morgan Davies to the Council and members were introduced to him
* The Mayor attended several events at Croesty primary, they were excellent and well attended by parents. Very impressed with the PTA who has been helping the school raising money. Unable to attended a couple of events due to personal reasons. Deputy attended on my behalf – Deputy Mayor gave update from his visit to the School carol service at Salem – Comp, also attended the funeral of Ruth Jones along with the Town clerk, Cllr Hancock OBE and Cllr Evans.
* Mayor was contacted by MP Chris Elmore, they are still chasing the issue of Penprysg Bridge and was awaiting for a meeting with the Minister responsible.
* Cllr Hancock OBE brought to the attention of the Council that Pencoed Town council has written to Chris Elmore about reconvening a meeting the task force in relation to Penprysg Bridge. Cllr Hancock OBE requested that the Town Clerk to follow up the request with MP Chris Elmore.
* Cllr Hancock OBE moved the report from the Mayor with thanks and was second with Cllr Evans

**RESOLVED to note**

**8382 To receive the minutes of the full council meeting held on 14th December 2023**

Cllr. Jill Ryan moved the minutes, seconded by Cllr R. Williams

**RESOLVED that the** **minutes be accepted** and the recommendations therein

**8382A. Project and Finance reports to be given Via the Chair of Finance.**

Cllr Hancock OBE advised the full council of an update from earlier Finance meeting, Cllr Hancock referred to the analysis that had been provided to the Full Council.

Cllr Hancock OBE brought to the council’s attention, some of the differences that have occurred within the budget. Particular reference was made to the Equipment Cost and the purchase of the mower for the playing fields, and building costs

Also brought to the Council’s was the following with regard to the commitment Tennis provision within Pencoed. A further update is awaited on the proposed project, but there needs to be finance allocated/earmarked in the sum of £25000 from balances next year.

Reference the Rugby Posts that had blown down in the high winds it was resolved to grant a 50% reduction in the weekly fee charged to the PRFC in accordance with the hire agreement currently in place.

**RESOLVED to accept the report with thanks to the Town Clerk for the work undertaken**

8383 **To consider a nominee to attend a future meeting of Coity Walia- Cllr J. Butcher**

**Withdrawn Form the agenda**

**8384     To receive reports from the representatives to the outside bodies**

* Coity Walia – Cllr Williams has raised again regarding the meeting for this are held on same night as BCBC meeting and the time clashes with this. Town Clerk will write to the secretary regarding this point.
* Town and Community Forum – No Meeting
* Rockwool meetings – Nothing to report
* One Voice Wales & The Larger Council Forum- Was last Monday – Cllr T Lyddon couldn’t attend nothing to report
* Youth Engagement Committee - Nothing to report
* Welfare Hall Management Committee – Nothing to report
* Friends of Salem (FOS)– FOS have agreed to re decorate inside the Chapel, scaffolding will be going up due to a few loose tiles and the friends of Salem will cover the cost of these. Fire Risk Assessment was carried out on a matter raised by the Gospel hall they were concerned and wanted another escape hatch, both parties are happy and they have nominated a responsible person when in use. Cllr Hancock OBE commented that this matter needs to be referred back to friends of Salem.
* Liaison Group Pencoed RFC - No meeting
* Safer Streets - no meeting – one scheduled for 05/02/2024
* 21st Century Schools Group - no Meeting both schools are on a committee with BCBC regarding the school building and no reports
* Penprysg Bridge Working Group - Dealt with previously – suggest that Committee 1 needs to meet before this so that they can deal with this point. Delegated powers given in regards Cttee 1 in regards to the consultations regarding a response by 4/5th February 2024 – Meeting to be arranged for Thursday 1st of February 2024for Committee 1 to meet

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

**8385 To consider the Town Clerk’s General report**

Town Clerk grateful for the start of Morgan.

Pavilion – Showers are now fixed and up and running

Replacement of the Rugby Post – Agreed through finance for replacing costing £1500

Work on the Parlour started on Monday 15/01/24–

Local disputes training for Mayor and Deputy was canceled and has now been rearranged on the 05/02.

Members expenses – will now be paid for those that have formally informed the Clerk that they do work from home.

Welsh Blood Service has been circulated.

Vacancy for councilor, closing date 29/01/24 for calling of election

Code of conduct training for town and community councilors taking place with BCBC

Cllr Hancock OBE raised the fact regarding the Admin Assistant ,Morgan Davies Training would be programmed

Cllr Evans – To bring to attention that BCBC has advised that works are going to undertake works on the miner’s path and will be closed from the 29/01/2024.

Cllr Hancock OBE suggested about getting a license regarding waste disposal and getting costing in regards to this.

Cllr Lyddon asked whether there has been any feedback from the council joining the meeting in December 2022

**Resolved** to accept the Town Clerk’s report with thanks and any actions taken/ or to be undertaken be endorsed

**8386 To receive a list of creditors from the 1st December 2023 to 31st December 2023**

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|  | AW Salary | bacs |  | XXXX |
|  | GLT Salary | bacs |  | XXXX |
|  | D.Lewis(Pay) | Bacs |  | XXXX |
|  | R Frewen | Bacs |  | XXXX |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Days | dd |  | 392.40 |
|  | BCBC | bacs |  | 100.00 |
|  | Sol in Tech Tel | dd |  | 117.65 |
|  | Sol in Tech Copier | bacs |  | 123.93 |
|  | HMRC (June) | bacs |  | 1407.11 |
|  | Allstar | bacs |  | 113.45 |
|  | Credit union AW | bacs |  | 100.00 |
|  | Credit union DL | bacs |  | 220.00 |
|  | Credit Union GLT | bacs |  | 300.00 |
|  | Aviva EE | bacs |  | 98.81 |
|  | Aviva EE | bacs |  | 98.81 |
|  | Aviva EE | bacs |  | 41.00 |
|  | contact ppe | bacs |  | 61.19 |
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|  | nolan | bacs |  | 52.50 |
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|  | Highland Services | bacs |  | 7051.78 |
|  | swalec Toilets | bacs |  | 290.70 |
|  | swalec | bacs |  | 462.03 |
|  | Bridgeside Landscapes | bacs |  | 120.00 |
|  | Bridgeside Landscapes | bacs |  | 120.00 |
|  | OVW | bacs |  | 105.00 |
|  | Trailer D. Butler | bacs |  | 288.75 |
|  | Trailer Parts | bacs |  | 64.54 |
|  | d.evans trailer parts | Bacs |  | 72.00 |
|  | Riverside Hardware bacs | | | 20.00 |  |
|  | Daveys Builders | bacs |  | 12.98 |  |
|  | owens fuel | bacs |  | 492.03 |  |
|  | owens fuel | bacs |  | 492.03 |  |
|  | Highfields Computer | bacs |  | 16.40 |  |
|  | Pencoed Builders | bacs |  | 127.76 |  |
|  | C. Cannon Gift | bacs |  | 40.00 |  |
|  | PSB Carols | bacs |  | 100.00 |  |
|  | Xmas Gifts | bacs |  | 66.80 |  |
|  | Luke Holmes Agri | Bacs |  | 513.36 |  |
|  | Xmas Lights Comp | Bacs |  | 100 |  |
|  | R Williams Rent | Bacs |  | 120.00 |  |
|  | TCRM | Bacs |  | 100.80 |  |
|  | grenke | bacs |  | 37.94 |  |

Expenditure Marked XXXX = £8584.64

Total Expenditure = £ £22783.89

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**RESOLVED –** The creditors list was accepted along with information issued along with details of expenditure to date and bank reconciliation for December 2023.

**8386 Correspondence –**

None received

**8387 If appropriate, to receive items for future agendas**

Already discussed

**8388 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**