

Pencoed Town Council

Minutes of Full Council meeting Thursday 11th April 2024

Salem Chapel Vestry, Pencoed

Present Councillors:

B Doughty – Town Mayor/Chair

R.J Hancock OBE

R.Williams

J. Butcher

J. Ryan

C. Cannon

P. Edwards

H.Whyley

M. Evans

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

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

8425 Apologies for absence and dispensation

Apologies were received from the following due to illness/unavailability:

Cllr. T. Lyddon

Cllr. W. Bond

8426 Declarations of interest

Declarations of interest were received from the following:

Cllr. M. Evans – items 6, 7, and 9 as BCBC representative for Coity Walia, and BCBC member.

Cllr. R. Williams – Minutes for Committee 2 meeting, complaint received regarding light pollution at Pencoed Primary School.

8427 To receive the police report and any correspondence

No report received, PCSO apologizes for no attendance, statistics for next meeting promised.

Noted

8428 To receive duly notified questions from the public

No questions were received

8429 To receive Mayoral messages

Mayor along with other members attended the opening of the fertility home in Pencoed. The Mayor was very impressed at the management of the facility. Posters of facility to be distributed once received.

Some events to attend w/c 15th April 2024 , funeral etc.

Report noted with thanks

8430 To receive the minutes of the full council meeting held on 14th March 2024

Minutes accepted with one amendment. Cllr L. Lewis was in attendance but not listed.

Minutes of finance meeting moved by Cllr R.J. Hancock OBE. By raising the following:

Update on members expenses and IPRW. Dispute over expenses payments, members paid £150 earlier this year may have to pay it back due to confusion over payments. £156 seemingly supersedes the £150. The £156 will not have to be paid back.

The Clerk to deal with individual members on how to pay fees back.

Cllr. R.J. Hancock OBE stated that payments must be repaid by the end of the financial year and catered for within the balance carried forward to 2024/25.

Element of Confusion regarding Coity Walia issue within minutes was clarified.

Report and recommendations, and minutes moved by Cllr. R.J. Hancock OBE, seconded by Cllr. C. Canon.

8431 To consider the draft recommendations from Cttee 1 in respect of formulating a strategy going forward regarding parking issues etc in the vicinity of Penprysg Primary School.

Report produced by Clerk and Chair of Committee 1. And indicated that the report was for discussion:

Cllr. R.J. Hancock OBE moved the proposed actions and endorsed the recommendations:

Decisions made regarding primary school made by the Borough and supported by school governors.

The council should invite the chair of governors and headteacher to a potential public meeting on the issue.

Cllr. R Williams raises issue of light pollution from the schools flood lights, this has been raised with the Borough.

Cllr. M Evans – Parking situation is challenging, awareness raised on supporting parking in the streets behind the school. PCSO's in Pencoed have agreed to patrol the schools when they close.

Attendance allowed, awaiting dates from PCSO's.

Issue continually being pursued, along with residents.

When is the next Cwtch meeting scheduled?

Mayor suggests we ensure we meet everybody's needs, accept the resolution, and invite chair of governors and headteacher to public meeting.

Agreed to move, accepted.

Cllr R.J. Hancock OBE - Committee 1 needs to start meeting.

Date of public meeting meeting to be decided.

8432 To consider the applications received for Co-option

See minutes of special meeting. No discussion thereon a

8433 To receive reports from representatives to outside bodies

- Coity Walia — there was a meeting. A further meeting has been suggested where the chairs and Mayors of individuals councils would be invited to attend a meeting of Coity Walia likely to be at the end of May 2024

Comments made by individual members were noted

Noted that the rotten trees at Heol Y Geifr had now been felled

- Town & Community Council Forum – no meeting
- Rockwool meetings –.no meeting

- One Voice Wales & The Larger Council Forum- Information circulated for next meeting to be attended by Cllr. L. Lewis and Cllr. T. Lyddon.
- Youth Engagement Committee – no meeting
- Welfare Hall Management Committee – no meeting, British legion have confirmed the use of hall for remembrance Sunday, poppy appeal launch day in October.
- Friends of Salem – contract agreed to get vestry painted and exterior doors. Chapel under further discussion.
- Liaison Group Pencoed RFC – no meeting
- Safer Streets – Cllr. M. Evans sent suggestions of terms of reference, likely the only individual to have sent recommendations. Will come forward in June ready for July.
- 21st century schools – no meetings
- Penprysg Bridge Working Group – concerned expressed by clerk over no meeting and no feedback from MP.
 - Agreed that Clerk writes to MP regarding the lack of meeting.

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

8434 To consider the Town Clerk's General report

Staffing

Morgan to be congratulated on passing the FILCA course.

New toilet attendant has been appointed on initial three-month temporary contract.

Pavilion

Furniture to be delivered for the former Mayor's parlour on 16th April 2024. Entry to the room now via wooden doors.

Outstanding Matters

Number of BCBC issues still ongoing, e.g., removal of hanging baskets from Aluminum Columns

SLA for waste disposal,

No response from BCBC on the motion put forward on alleviating parking issues at Pencoed Primary School no response from the chief executive regarding Penprysg. No feedback from BCBC on attendance of members of Standards Committee.

Memorial Garden

Tree Work completed on the memorial garden.

Request from resident as to whether one bench could be named in memory of loved one.

Cllr. R.J. Hancock OBE and the Clerk currently in consultation with BCBC in this regard.

AGM meeting on the 9th May.

Councillors urged to go through standing orders and financial regulations and propose amendments for consideration at the AGM.

8435 To receive a list of creditors from the 1st March 2024 to 31st

March 2024

List of Creditors 1st March 2024 to 31st March 2024

A. Walters	bacs	XXXX
GLT Salary	bacs	XXXX
M. Davies	bacs	XXXX
D.Lewis(Pay)	bacs	XXXX
R.Frewen	bacs	XXXX
Days	dd	0
BCBC	bacs	0
Sol in Tech Tel	dd	95.2
Sol in Tech Copier	bacs	129.65
HMRC	bacs	0
Allstar	bacs	86.01
Credit union AW	bacs	100
Credit union DL	bacs	110
Credit Union GLT	bacs	200
Aviva EE	bacs	98.81
Aviva EE	bacs	98.81
Aviva EE	bacs	41
nolan	bacs	52.5
nolan	bacs	52.5
nolan	bacs	52.5
nolan	bacs	52.5
Certas	bacs	475.7
contact	bacs	241.87
contact	bacs	62.94
glg scaffolding	bacs	650
bof	bacs	4262.4
R.Romans	bacs	300
prfc	bacs	408
bridgeside	bacs	396
welsh water	bacs	164.82
rj hancock	bacs	520
SSE R/c Salem	bacs	872.96
Bookers	bacs	123.17
Flowers and Baby Mat	bacs	70
TCRM	dd	100.8
R.Williams	dd	120
J. Davey	bacs	12.43
J.Davey	bacs	197.37
PCN Notice	bacs	35
N. Adams R/c Salem	bacs	185

R.Williams	bacs	380
bridgeside	bacs	120
SSE Toilets	bacs	537.7
grenke	DD	72

Expenditure marked XXXX = £ 5864.44

Total expenditure = £ 17342.08

Clerk states council van is being downsized, but will still suffice, minimal extra costs being incurred.

Cllr. R.J. Hancock OBE – raised the following:

- Cllr. R. J. Hancock OBE raised the increase in staff wages in December with the Clerk and he was duly satisfied with the Clerk's response.
- Training money not utilized, though will be this year.
- Insurance - £3,000 left in insurance due to no payment this year as it was re-paid, no payment yet for 2024/25.
- Reminded members that the issue of Members expenses need to be cleared up.

RESOLVED – to accept details of the expenditure to date and bank reconciliation statement

8436 Correspondence –

Continued discussion with IRPW on members expenses. Ongoing discussions with External Audit on Audit matters.

8437 If appropriate, to receive items for future agendas

Recruitment of Town Councillors to be discussed

8438 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 8:26 pm

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