



BUILTH WELLS TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF LLANFAIR-YM-MUALLT

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Minutes of the Meeting of Builth Wells Town Council held on **Tuesday 14th January 2020** commencing **at 7.00 pm** in The Strand Hall, Builth Wells.

Present: Cllr's G.Davies, M.Prynne, J.Jones, A.Waller, C.Mavin, G.Thomas, G.Goodwin, B.Reardon, A.Morgan

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs J.Walters D.Jones C.Cllr J.Pugh,

Other Attendance: Louise Hammond (Town Clerk) Karen Compton (Press)

| Reference | Subject | Actions & Action Owners (if appropriate) |
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| BW/001/20 | Declaration of Interest: None | |
| BW/002/20 | Minutes: To authorise chair to sign the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 10th December as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Prynne/Seconded Cllr Thomas – All in favour | |

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| BW/003/20 | <p>Minutes: To authorise chair to sign the minutes of the Town Council budget meeting held on the 4th December 2019 as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Goodwin/Seconded Cllr waller – All in favour</p> | |
| BW/004/20 | <p>Clerks report: No issues Raised.</p> | |
| BW/005/20 | <p>PRF: New Policies New Policies ratified. Proposed Cllr Prynne/Seconded Cllr Reardon – All in favour</p> | |
| BW/006/20 | <p>Groe Trees: Cllr Davies reports that the tree surgeons are still trying to await the dry weather before starting on felling the trees. Will bring further updates to next meeting.</p> | Clerk to contact PCC to ask what they are doing with the trees they have felled. |
| BW/007/20 | <p>Finance: Clerk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Clerks overtime authorised. b) Bank accounts have been reconciled. c) No issues were raised by Council regarding the finance summary produced. d) Town Council resolved to find a new internal auditor. | Clerk to make enquires regarding internal auditor. |
| BW/008/20 | <p>Correspondence: Clerk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) No issues raised regarding Clerks annual leave. b) No issues raised regarding Clerks new contract. c) Suggestion Clerk attends OVW awards ceremony. d) N/A e) N/A f) Sydney G. Thomas solicitors' letter regarding Clerk for the charity. Cllr Morgan will take on this role. g) N/A h) Grant for Wyeside will be in lieu of next year's (2020/21) grant. i) Council would like more information about this charity (Brecknock and Radnor sports partnership). | |

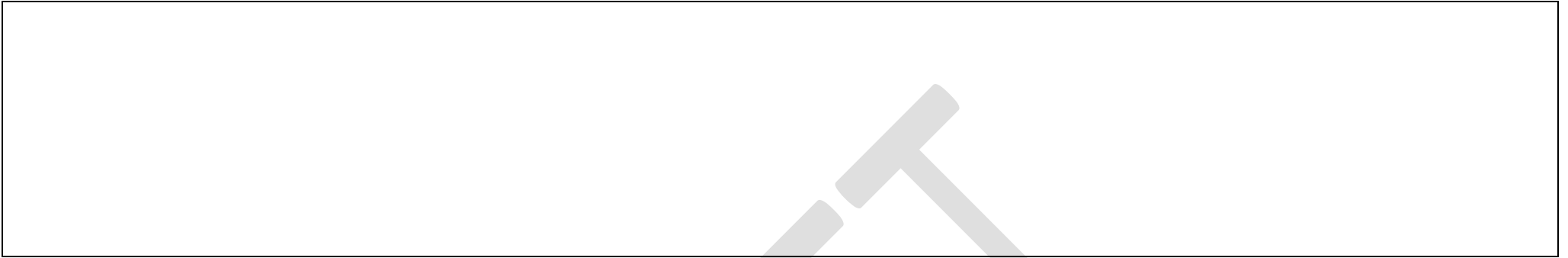
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| BW/009/20 | Christmas Grotto: Cllr Davies Reports what a huge success this event was, and such positive feedback from the community. | |
| BW/010/20 | Planning: Clerk Reminder there is a folder in Clerks office with all planning details. | |
| BW/011/20 | Groe Toilets: Cllr Davies There was a lot of discussion around the toilets and the fact the Council believe funding is stopping this year. Town Council resolved that the public should be made aware that there is a real possibility that the toilets could close if insufficient funds are available. Honesty boxes would not be enough to keep this service going. If Town Council grants are being withdrawn, then Town Council will need to start making enquiries with the local MP and AM to see what help is available for this much needed service. If the Groe toilets close it will have a huge impact not only on local businesses but on visitors, coaches and the parkrun. Cllr Davies will contact Faye Jones MP, to advise. New tender process for Groe toilets to be started, as time will be limited. Town Council resolved that the Cleaning contractors would need to be advised that their contract is coming to an end 31 st March 2020. All in favour. | Clerk to make enquiries as to whether funding will still be available for next financial year. If there is no funding available, then letters to be sent to local MPs and AM. Clerk to put something on the website. Clerk to send letter to T.C. Cleaners advising of end of contract. Clerk to start a new tender process for cleaning of the Groe toilets. |
| BW/012/19 | Strand Hall: Cllr Davies a) Town Council resolved that a cleaner/caretaker would be the best way forward for the Strand, maybe working 3 to 4 hours per week at a rate of £10-11 pounds per hour increasing as and when required on a self-employed basis. b) Cllr Davies reported that potentially in the future the bar area needs to be looked out, with a suggestion of increasing this area. c) Cllr Davies reports that there is a real need for sensory lights at the rear of the Strand into the car park area. d) Covered in (A). e) Town Council resolved that from 1 st April all hirers of the Hall should come into line with the payment tariff. Town Council would like to offer the charity "Dementia matters" free use of the room until they are in a position that they can pay. This will be offered to all local charities looking to use a room within Strand (for limited period). Proposed Cllr Davies/Seconded Cllr Prynne – All in favour | a) To be advertised at end of March b) N/A c) Cllr Goodwin will contact electrician. d) N/A e) Clerk to contact any regular Hirers who have a reduced rate and advise. f) Cllr Davies sourcing quotes. g) Clerk to advise when booking is made. h) Clerk to inform lift company. i) Clerk to advised contract ending. j) Cllr Davies to inform local shop owners, as this is something he had arranged. |

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| | <p>f) Town Council resolved that more cameras are required for the Strand Hall. Proposed Cllr Goodwin/ Seconded Cllr Waller – All in favour</p> <p>g) In line with the PRF meeting Town Council resolved that in future for any social events there must be a door person at the front of Strand to prevent unwanted guests and prevent any potential damage being caused.</p> <p>h) Lolers certificate quote £680.00 plus vat. Clerk advised that only two quotes received, and this is now an urgent issue as Strand has never been issued with this certificate. Proposed Cllr Reardon/Seconded Cllr Morgan – All in favour</p> <p>i) Town Council resolved to come out of the contract with axess2 as they have been very disappointing.</p> <p>j) Cllr Davies reported to Council work to start on resurfacing of car park Thursday 16/1/2020</p> | |
| BW/013/20 | Councillors reports: N/A | |
| BW/014/20 | <p>Mayors report Cllr Davies No report but would like to start preparations for the V.E. celebrations in May, suggestion is to start a working group for this event and all future events within the Town. Council resolved to start a working group consisting of following Councillors: - Cllr Davies, Prynne, Thomas, Reardon, Waller, Goodwin.</p> | <p>First meeting will be Monday 20th January 6pm. Clerk to put entry on Facebook and website in respect of community engagement.</p> |

The meeting concluded at 9:11 pm

Signed on behalf of the Town Council:

Name: Date:



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