

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BRECON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE GUILDHALL, BRECON ON MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2020 AT 7.00 P.M.**

**528/19 PRESENT**

Councillor A Mathias (arrived 8:08pm)  
Councillor C Walsh (Deputy Mayor in the Chair)  
Councillor M Dorrance  
Councillor J Powell  
Councillor D Meredith  
Councillor R Thomas  
Councillor E Trailor  
Councillor I Williams  
Councillor M Matthews  
Councillor G Ham  
Councillor M Perry  
Councillor A M C Weale  
Councillor S Morgans (arrived 7:09pm)  
Councillor T Davies  
Councillor L Rijnenberg

**In Attendance:** Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)  
Rhys Ridge-Evans (Administrative Officer)  
Libby Roderick (BCA)  
Neil Jones (BCA)  
Twm Owen (Brecon & Radnor Express)(left 9:00pm)  
1 member of the public (left 9:00pm)

Before the meeting started, the Deputy Mayor announced that it was the International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust and called for everyone to stand for a moments silence.

**529/19 PRESENTATION – BCA**

The Deputy Mayor welcomed Ms Roderick and Mr Jones to the meeting and invited them to give their presentation about the work that BCA does. Ms Roderick and Mr Jones took turns in explaining the current situation with regards to funding and the future of BCA. At the end of the presentation, Members had the opportunity to ask questions. The Deputy Mayor thanked Ms Roderick and Mr Jones for giving up their time and for the in depth presentation to Members and they left the Chamber.

**530/19 APOLOGIES**

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The Town Clerk advised that the Mayor was going to be arriving late but she would be attending the meeting later on

### **531/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Morgans and Trailor declared an interest in agenda item 11.

### **532/19 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor had previously circulated a list of her engagements by email for Members which were received and noted.

### **533/19 TOWN CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Town Clerk informed Members that a £100 donation had been received from Yscir Community Council toward the cost of running Visit Brecon and a Happy New Year card and message had been received from the Mayor of Gouesnou.

## **SECTION A**

### **534/19 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25 November 2019 (Pages 115 to 119) (copies of which had been previously circulated)

#### **IT WAS RESOLVED**

**THAT the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 25 November 2019 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.**

### **535/19 SPECIAL MEETING - PLANNING, GUILDHALL AND STAFFING COMMITTEE – 6 DECEMBER 2019**

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee held on 6 December 2019 (page 112) (copies of which had been previously circulated)

#### **IT WAS RESOLVED**

**THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee held on 6 December 2019 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.**

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### **536/19 PLANNING, GUILDHALL AND STAFFING COMMITTEE – 6 JANUARY 2020**

The Minutes of the of the Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee held on 6 January 2020 (pages 125 - 127) (copies of which had been previously circulated)

#### **IT WAS RESOLVED**

**THAT the Minutes of the Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee held on 6 January 2020 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.**

### **537/19 FINANCE AND COMMISSIONING OF CONTRACTS COMMITTEE – 6 JANUARY 2020**

The Minutes of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 6 January 2020 (Pages 129 – 130) (copies of which had been previously circulated)

#### **IT WAS RESOLVED**

**THAT the Minutes of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 6 January 2020 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.**

### **538/19 ENVIRONMENT AND EVENTS COMMITTEE – 7 JANUARY 2020**

The Minutes of the Environment and Events held on 7 January 2020 (Pages 133 – 139) (copies of which had been previously circulated)

### **539/19 ARRISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### **WATER BAILIFF REPORT (MINUTE NO. 501/19)**

The Chair of the Environment and Events Committee informed Members that he had requested that the Water Bailiff Report be kept to a maximum of 30 minutes at future meetings.

Subject to the foregoing

#### **IT WAS RESOLVED**

**THAT the Minutes of the Environment and Events held on 7 January 2020 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.**

**540/19 UPDATE REPORT – YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES**

Submitted **C(A)** an update report concerning youth representatives. Members discussed this item and it was

**RESOLVED**

**THAT approval be given for the commencement of recruitment and appointment.**

**541/19 REVISED RISK ASSESSMENTS FOR OUTSIDE SPACES**

Due to the size of the document, the document had been previously circulated by email. Members noted that one part of the risk assessment should be written as daily and not constantly as there isn't someone there constantly. Subject to the amendment it was

**RESOLVED**

**THAT the risk assessments for outside spaces be approved.**

**542/19 ONE VOICE WALES – RESPONSE ON CONSULTATION ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) BILL**

Due to the size of the document, the document had been previously circulated by email.

**THIS information was taken as received and noted.**

**543/19 REPORT – ONE VOICE WALES MEMBERSHIP**

Submitted **C(B)** a report concerning membership to One Voice Wales. Members discussed this in detail and it was

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**THAT agreement be given to join One Voice Wales and that the funding be vired from the Elections Budget for the current financial year.**

**544/19 REPORT – PROPOSAL FOR BUNTING**

Submitted **C(C)** a report concerning bunting. Members discussed this item in detail and it was

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### **RESOLVED**

**THAT a maximum spend of £1,500 be agreed and that a report be submitted to the Environment and Events Committee to agree the details.**

#### **545/19 LETTER FROM BRECON BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

As Councillors Traylor and Morgans declared an interest in this agenda item, they took no part in discussions or the vote.

Submitted **C(D)** a letter received from the Brecon Business Improvement District. Members discussed this item in detail and as the BID booklet and information had only just been received Members felt unable to make a decision. After further discussion and a vote was taken with 9 in favour, 2 against and 1 abstention it was

### **RESOLVED**

**THAT a special meeting of the Council be held as soon as possible to give Members further time to consider the matter before making a decision.**

#### **546/19 EMAIL RECEIVED FROM POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL – STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING**

Submitted **C(E)** an email received from Powys County Council concerning street naming and numbering. This item was discussed and it was

### **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**THAT ‘Yr Hen Lys’ was Brecon Town Council’s preferred name from those provided by Powys County Council.**

#### **547/19 LETTER AND EMAIL RECEIVED FROM LLANDRINDOD TOWN COUNCIL – POWYS PRIDE**

Submitted **C(F)** an email received from Llandrindod Town Council concerning Powys Pride. Members discussed this agenda item in detail and it was

### **RESOLVED**

**THAT a letter of support be sent to Llandrindod Town Council and that a letter be sent to MIND concerning our grant application process to assist with funding towards the event.**

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### 548/19 EMAIL RECEIVED FROM POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL – GOLDFISH

Submitted **C(G)** an email received from Powys County Council concerning Goldfish. Members discussed this in detail and it was

#### **RESOLVED**

**THAT the Town Clerk writes back to the County Council to ask if this information can be progressed and to ask if Trading Standards can issue the Press Release again ahead of the May Fair.**

### 549/19 NOTICE OF MOTION IN THE NAMES OF COUNCILLORS WEALE AND TRAILOR

Submitted **C(H)** a notice of motion in the names of Councillors Weale and Traylor concerning the plaque commemorating Captain Thomas Phillips. Councillor Weale explained this agenda item for the benefit of Members. Members discussed this item in detail and following a vote where there were 11 votes in favour of a review and four votes in favour of removal it was

#### **RESOLVED**

**THAT a review be carried out of the plaque commemorating Captain Thomas Phillips and that this item be deferred to the Environment and Events Committee.**

### 550/19 FINAL BUDGET/PRECEPT 2020/21

Submitted **C(I)** the final budget/precept for 2020/21. The Deputy Mayor informed Members that this was on the agenda for information purposes only as it has been previously approved.

**THIS information was taken as received and noted.**

### 551/19 PR OPPORTUNITIES ARISING FROM THE MEETING

BCA, Youth Representatives, Powys Pride, Goldfish, Review of Plaque.

### 552/19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items.

### 553/19 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

**SECTION B**

**RESOLVED**

**THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted whereby matters of a possible personal nature might be discussed in relation to the finances or staff of the Council, and matters of a sensitive nature, it was advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw from the meeting.**