

BRECON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, GUILDHALL AND STAFFING COMMITTEE OF BRECON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE GUILDHALL, BRECON ON MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 6:00PM

563/19 PRESENT

Councillor L Rijnenberg
Councillor D Meredith (in the Chair)
Councillor J Powell
Councillor S Morgans
Councillor E Trailor
Councillor R Thomas
Councillor C Walsh
Councillor A Mathias

In attendance: Mrs. Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)
Mr Rhys Ridge-Evans (Administrative Officer)
& 1 Member of public

564/19 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Williams.

565/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Administrative Officer declared an interest in agenda item 17.

566/19 MINUTES – PLANNING, GUILDHALL AND STAFFING COMMITTEE

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

567/19 ARRISING FROM THE MINUTES

PRESENTATION (MINUTE NO. 453/19)

It was noted that there was no explanation as to what the presentation was about and that a heading be added.

Subject to the foregoing it was

RESOLVED

Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee 3 February 2020

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.

568/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- (a) Submitted – Schedule of Planning Applications received from Brecon Beacons National Park Authority (copies of which had been previously circulated - **Appendix P(B)**).
- (b) Submitted – Schedule of Decisions of the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority (copies of which were circulated at the meeting – **Appendix P(C)**).

The Committee considered the additional applications received as shown on the schedule.

RESOLVED

- (a) **THAT the Council's observations in relation to the planning applications contained in the attached P(A) schedule application no. 4288 to no. 4290 be forwarded to the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority.**
- (b) **THAT the schedule contained in Appendix P(B) be received and noted.**

569/19 REPORT – FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT

Due to the size of the document, it was circulated by email. Members queried why the fire blanket needed to be removed and the Town Clerk confirmed that it was upon the advice of the fire officer as no one is trained to fight fires in the building. Members also queried the lightning protection. The Town Clerk informed Members that this information was unknown and that she would ask colleagues if they knew. It was also queried whether the new back drop was included in the revised risk assessment which the Town Clerk confirmed that it was.

RESOLVED

THAT the fire risk assessment be re-approved as drafted.

570/19 RISK ASSESSMENTS FOR REVIEW

Submitted **P(D)** risk assessments concerning lone working at office premises, first floor windows, retractable seating, flags and use of cellar. Members noted that this was a lot of information to discuss at the meeting and following discussion it was

RESOLVED

THAT a working group be set up consisting of Councillors Thomas, Walsh and Rijnenberg to look at the risk assessments and a recommendation be brought back to this Committee.

571/19 DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SIGNAGE

Councillor Thomas explained that the Brecon Dementia Friends group is looking for support for the principle of having Dementia Friends signage at the entrances to Brecon and if the principle is supported they would fund this themselves.

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

THAT the proposal be supported.

572/19 INFORMATION RECEIVED RELATING TO SUDS – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TWO ORDERS ON SUSTAINABLE DRAINAGE

Submitted **P(E)** information received relating to SuDS and the proposed amendments to two orders on sustainable drainage.

THIS information was taken as received and noted.

573/19 INSTALLATION OF FURTHER FLAGPOLE(S)

The Chair explained that a member of staff has suggested it would be an improvement to have another one or two flag poles fitted to allow more than one flag to fly properly.

RESOLVED

THAT the Town Clerk seeks quotes for the installation of new flagpoles.

574/19 DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER SUPPORTING PROPOSAL FOR PARACHUTE REGIMENT STATUE

Members discussed this item in detail following the presentation at the last meeting of this Committee. It was noted that consultation is needed with National Parks and Powys and that clarification surrounding future maintenance responsibilities was needed and it was

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

TO support the project in principle.

575/19 PR OPPORTUNITIES ARISING FROM THE MEETING

There were no items.

576/19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Permission was sought by the Mayor to fly the Nepalese Flag on the anniversary of the twinning, which was agreed.

577/19 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED

THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted whereby matters of a sensitive nature were to be discussed 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.