

# **BRECON TOWN COUNCIL**

REPORT OF THE COUNCILLORS AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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PRESENT COUNCILLORS

Councillor C T Walsh (Mayor)  
Councillor A Mathias  
Councillor M Trailor (until 17/07/20)  
Councillor A M C Weale  
Councillor D W Meredith  
Councillor I Williams  
Councillor M Dorrance  
Councillor S Morgans  
Councillor G Ham  
Councillor M Matthews  
Councillor J Powell  
Councillor R Thomas  
Councillor L Rijnenberg  
Councillor M Perry  
Councillor T Davies  
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**

| <u>2019/20</u>           | <u>INCOME</u>  | <u>2020/21</u>           |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| £                        |  | £                        |
| 432,800.00               | Precept  | 451,800.00               |
| 0.00                     | Grants   | 22,794.00                |
| 5,243.45                 | Hire Charges   | 0.00                     |
| 126.81                   | Bank Interest  | 86.78                    |
| 2,280.10                 | Other receipts including refunds                         | 111.90                   |
| 1,300.00                 | Weddings   | 0.00                     |
| 1,000.00                 | Fishing  | 1,000.00                 |
| 11,540.00                | Indoor Market Income                                     | 0.00                     |
| 946.65                   | Christmas Market Donation/Deposits                       | 0.00                     |
| 8,179.34                 | Public Toilets   | 5,766.07                 |
| 6,616.01                 | Visit Brecon   | 1,213.77                 |
| <b><u>470,032.36</u></b> |  | <b><u>482,772.52</u></b> |
|                          | <u>EXPENDITURE</u>                                       |                          |
| £                        |  | £                        |
|                          | <b>ADMINISTRATION</b>                                    |                          |
| 150,608.74               | Payroll  | 151,307.39               |
| 4,708.11                 | Contracted Services                                      | 3,287.66                 |
| 1,387.75                 | Audit Fees   | 1,464.25                 |
| 4,060.21                 | Postage and Stationery etc                               | 4,135.89                 |
| 1,367.49                 | Office Equipment   | 530.00                   |
| 2,121.31                 | Travelling and Subscriptions                             | 2,375.35                 |
| 735.35                   | Finance & Admin/Other                                    | 243.85                   |
| <u>2,180.00</u>          | Training   | <u>357.50</u>            |
| <b>167,168.96</b>        |  | <b>163,701.89</b>        |
|                          | <b>GUILDHALL</b>   |                          |
| 11,943.87                | Repairs and Renewals, Furniture Fittings & Equipment     | 7,208.91                 |
| 7,456.05                 | Rates  | 7,583.63                 |
| 6,021.57                 | Fuel, Electricity & Cleaning                             | 4,579.57                 |
| 7,300.05                 | Insurances and Licences & Asset Valuation                | 7,988.69                 |
| 368.25                   | Health & Safety  | 1,859.28                 |
| <u>2,470.61</u>          | IRP Allowances   | <u>3,966.68</u>          |
| <b>35,560.40</b>         |  | <b>33,186.76</b>         |
|                          | <b>GRANTS UNDER SECTIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT</b> |                          |
| 2,500.00                 | Public Toilet Provision - Theatre                        | 2,500.00                 |
| 20,137.48                | Public Toilet Provision – Lion Yard/Promenade            | 21,372.39                |
| 5,195.50                 | Section 137 –School Crossing Patrol                      | 4,302.01                 |
| 25,495.27                | Section 144 - Christmas Lights                           | 26,336.87                |
| 4,687.00                 | Section 137 - General Grants – Other                     | 6,026.42                 |
| 5,000.00                 | Section 142 – Advice Agencies                            | 5,000.00                 |
| 2,000.00                 | Section 144 – Tourism/ Twinning                          | 2,500.00                 |
| 6,000.00                 | Section 145 – Brecon Jazz Sponsorship                    | 6,000.00                 |
| 11,300.00                | Section 145 – Arts, Museums                              | 12,827.72                |
| 2,500.00                 | Section 19 – Health/Sport/Exhibition                     | 0.00                     |
| <u>5,000.00</u>          | PoWB – St John’s Family Centre                           | <u>5,000.00</u>          |
| <b>89,815.25</b>         |  | <b>91,865.41</b>         |

|                          |  |                          |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|
|                          | <b>MAYORAL/CEREMONIAL</b>                                    |                          |
| 2,000.00                 | Mayoral allowances   | 2,000.00                 |
| 6,782.60                 | Hospitality and Events                                       | 0.00                     |
| 944.15                   | Ceremonial   | 0.00                     |
| 1,764.85                 | Presentations, Photographs, Other                            | 467.33                   |
| <u>2,126.50</u>          | Road Closures  | <u>-340.00</u>           |
| <b>13,618.10</b>         |  | <b>2,127.33</b>          |
|                          | <b>ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</b>                                |                          |
| 10,878.07                | Environmental Services                                       | 13,859.46                |
| 9,866.37                 | Christmas Market   | 568.03                   |
| 3,360.31                 | Bandstand Events/BTC Promotions                              | 1,882.87                 |
| 0.00                     | Elections  | 130.00                   |
| 18,678.78                | Street Cleaning  | 9,152.40                 |
| <u>5,797.13</u>          | Adelina Patti Centenary                                      | <u>0.00</u>              |
| <b>48,580.66</b>         |  | <b>25,592.76</b>         |
|                          | <b>SPECIAL PROJECTS</b>                                      |                          |
| 2,000.00                 | Floor/Seats/Website -Theatr Brycheiniog                      | 2,000.00                 |
| 10,500.00                | Indoor Market  | 0.00                     |
| 0.00                     | Benches  | 6,084.00                 |
| 1,994.00                 | Town Guide   | 2,181.00                 |
| <u>2,960.00</u>          | Park Fencing   | 14,810.50                |
|                          | Bus Shelters   | 8,670.00                 |
|                          | Pollinator project   | 953.97                   |
|                          | Defibrillators   | 6,095.74                 |
|                          | Car Parking  | 2,318.19                 |
|                          | Roundabout   | 12,794.00                |
|                          | Parasols   | 22,782.27                |
|                          | Parlour Chairs   | 930.00                   |
|                          | Wedding Flowers  | <u>466.67</u>            |
| <b>17,454.00</b>         |  | <b>80,086.34</b>         |
|                          | <b>VISIT BRECON</b>  |                          |
| <b>15,887.63</b>         | Expenditure exc. staffing                                    | <b>15,444.47</b>         |
|                          | <b>BAD DEBTS WRITTEN OFF</b>                                 |                          |
| <b>0.00</b>              |  | <b>0.00</b>              |
| <b><u>388,085.00</u></b> | <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>                                     | <b><u>412,004.96</u></b> |
|                          | Capital Receipt excluding interest £11.81<br>(s.106 funding) |                          |
| 45,406.80                |  | 45,406.80                |
| <b><u>81,947.36</u></b>  | <b>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>                     | <b><u>70,767.56</u></b>  |



## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2021**

These notes are an integral part of the Council's final accounts.

### **ASSETS**

These are defined as land and buildings, vehicles, plant and equipment with a value in excess of £1,000.00.

The following were held at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

#### **Guildhall, Brecon – Building**

The Value, for insurance purposes, is £5,190,453

#### **Guildhall, Brecon – Contents**

The Value, for insurance purposes, is £334,800

#### **Play Area – Camden Road, Brecon**

Conveyed to the Council by the former Brecknock Borough Council free of charge. Valued on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2004 at £25,000.

#### **Land – Beacons Park, Brecon**

Conveyed by Bailey Homes to the Council free of charge. Valued on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2004 at £5,000.

#### **Maendu Well, Brecon**

Conveyed to the Council by the Borough of Brecknock to the Council free of charge. Valued on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2004 at £10,000. The reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is £87,418.

#### **Bandstand, The Promenade, Brecon**

Land Leased to the Council by Powys County Council. Bandstand building owned by Brecon Town Council and valued at cost of £89,814 upon construction. The reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is £114,736.

#### **Public Conveniences – Lion Yard, Brecon**

Conveyed to the Council by Powys County Council free of charge. Rebuild value as at 1 June 2015 stated to be £80,000. The reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is £133,936 including contents.

#### **Public Conveniences – Promenade, Brecon**

Conveyed to the Council by Powys County Council free of charge. Rebuild value as at 1 June 2015 stated to be £70,000. The reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is £110,863 including contents.

### **Borrowing**

The Council had no borrowings at the close of business on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

### **Debts Outstanding**

At the year-end, no debts were outstanding and due to the Council

## **CAPITAL RESERVE**

There is no Capital Reserve.

## **LEASES**

At the year end, the following leases were in operation.

| <b><u>Lessor</u></b> | <b><u>Purpose</u></b> | <b><u>Annual Lease Payable</u></b> | <b><u>Year of Expiry</u></b> |
|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| PEAC Finance         | Photocopier           | £675.24                            | 2025                         |

## **S.137 PAYMENTS**

This section of the Local Government Act 1972 enables the Council to spend up to £8.32 per elector as at 1<sup>st</sup> April in the relevant year, for the benefit of people in the area, on activities or projects not specifically authorised by other powers.

For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, these amounted to £47,077. The limit for spending was £49,379.20. The payments made were:

| <b><u>Payee</u></b>     | <b><u>Nature of Payments</u></b>      | <b><u>£</u></b> |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Powys County Council    | School Crossing Patrols               | 4,302           |
| Various                 | Grants under s.137/Power of Wellbeing | 6,027           |
| St John's Family Centre | Grant                                 | 5,000           |
| Various                 | Parasols for Covid Safe Hospitality   | 22,782          |
| Various                 | Pollinators Project                   | 954             |
| Powys County Council    | Free Parking                          | 2,318           |
| Welsh Ambulance Service | Defibrillators                        | <u>5,694</u>    |
|                         |                                       | 47,077          |

## **AGENCY WORK**

No work was undertaken by the Council, on behalf of other bodies.

## **ADVERTISING AND PUBLICITY**

£109.40 was incurred on advertising and publicity for the year.

## **PENSIONS**

For the year of account, the Council's contributions were 23.7% of employee pensionable pay plus a three year fixed amount of £225.00 per month for a shortfall deficit recovery contribution. These contributions may need to increase in future years in accordance with actuarial valuations and will be revised from time to time.