

BRECON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND COMMISSIONING OF CONTRACTS COMMITTEE OF BRECON TOWN COUNCIL HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY 4 JULY 2022 AT 7.00 P.M.

134/22 PRESENT

Councillor C Walsh (in the Chair)
Councillor M Dorrance
Councillor J Powell
Councillor N Kilgallon
Councillor N Stone
Councillor T Fretten

In Attendance:- Mrs. Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)
Mr Rhys Ridge-Evans (Administrative Officer)

Not in attendance: Councillor S Morgans

135/22 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Perry, Davies, and Meredith.

136/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Kilgallon declared an interest in the application from Brecon Chamber of Trade and Tourism.

137/22 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 6 June 2022 (Pages 18 – 22) (copies of which had been previously circulated) were considered

RESOLVED

THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 6 June 2022 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.

138/22 TERMS OF REFERENCE

Submitted **F(A)** terms of reference for the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee. Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

THAT the terms of reference be approved, and that Chair recommended that these remain under review.

SECTION A – FINANCIAL MATTERS

139/22 SUMMARY OF THANK YOU LETTER(S) RECEIVED

There were none received at time of writing.

140/22 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Submitted - Schedule of applications received for financial assistance (copies of which had been previously circulated - **Attachment F(C)**).

Having considered the financial aspects and other details of all the applications received (**attachment F(D)**) it was –

RESOLVED

THAT the undermentioned application for financial assistance be dealt with as follows:

BRECON FARMERS MARKET

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

THAT a grant of £1000 be awarded to Brecon Farmers Market.

BRECON CHAMBER OF TRADE AND TOURISM

Members discussed this application in detail and it was

RESOLVED

THAT a grant of £1725 be awarded to Brecon Chamber of Trade and Tourism.

BRECON EVENTS

The Town Clerk informed Members that the applicant had withdrawn their application at this time.

THIS information was taken as received and noted.

141/22 VISIT BRECON VISITOR NUMBERS COMPARISON

Submitted **F(E)** Visit Brecon visitor numbers comparison since opening. Members discussed that digital data would be useful.

THIS information was taken as received and noted.

142/22 CONSIDERATION OF IRP DETERMINATION 49: ATTENDANCE

ALLOWANCES

Submitted **F(F)** a report concerning the IRP Determination 49: Attendance at Meetings dated 28 June 2022. The Town Clerk confirmed that she has asked One Voice Wales for its view and whether other councils have implemented this decision. One Voice Wales are only aware of two councils taking it up and its view is to leave it to individual councils to decide. Members discussed this in detail, and it was

RESOLVED

THAT a recommendation is put to Council to not introduce an attendance allowance scheme under determination 49.

143/22 PR AND PRESS OPPORTUNITIES

Grant aid

144/22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Town Clerk informed Members that a grant application has been received from a local organisation who are eligible and who have professionally prepared accounts so they are un-audited. This has highlighted difficulties in the application process. This was discussed and it was agreed that the application process be reviewed by Councillors Stone, Powell, and Walsh, and a recommendation be put to Council.

145/22 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was recommended that for the purposes of this section the Committee pass the following Resolution:-

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