

BRECON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND COMMISSIONING OF CONTRACTS COMMITTEE OF BRECON TOWN COUNCIL HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 2 MAY 2023 AT 7.00 P.M.

763/22 PRESENT

Councillor T Fretten
Councillor J Powell
Councillor M Dorrance
Councillor C Walsh
Councillor N Stone
Councillor N Kilgallon

In Attendance:- Mrs. Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)
Mr Rhys Ridge-Evans (Administrative Officer)
Mr Roger Cannon (Brecon Jazz)(left 7:45pm)
Ms Lynne Gornall (Brecon Jazz)(left 7:45pm)
Mr Mike Chappell (left 7:45pm)

764/22 APOLOGIES

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

765/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Fretten declared an interest in the application received from Brecon Jazz. Councillor Walsh and the Administrative Officer declared an interest in the application received from the Wellbeing Project. Councillor Powell declared an interest in the application from Brecon Volunteer Bureau. At this point, Councillor Dorrance informed the Chair that he needed to leave the meeting at 7:30 to attend another meeting.

It was noted that due to some of the above declarations of interests, the applications received from Brecon Volunteer Bureau and the Wellbeing Project would not have a quorum to allow those to be considered and it was agreed for these items to be removed from the agenda and deferred to the next Full Council meeting for consideration for that reason.

766/22 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 3 April 2023 (Pages 188 – 191) (copies of which had been previously circulated) were considered and it was

RESOLVED

THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and

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Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 3 April 2023 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.

767/22 SCHEDULE OF THANK YOU LETTERS RECEIVED

Submitted **F(A)** schedule of thank you letters received.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

768/22 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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

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

RESOLVED

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

BRECON JAZZ CLUB

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

THAT a grant of £8500 be awarded to Brecon Jazz.

Councillor Dorrance left the meeting at this point and did not return.

BRECON VOLUNTEER BUREAU

As noted at the start of the meeting this item was removed from the agenda.

BRECON BAROQUE FESTIVAL

Members discussed this application in lengthy detail with queries being made relating to the balances held by the organisation.

RESOLVED

THAT the application be reconsidered at the next Full Council meeting following receipt of replies to questions raised.

BRECON MALE CHOIR

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RESOLVED

THAT the application be reconsidered at the next Full Council meeting following receipt of replies to questions raised.

WELLBEING PROJECT

As noted at the start of the meeting this item was removed from the agenda.

769/22 REPORT – INCREASE ON VISITOR NUMBERS – VISIT BRECON

Submitted **F(D)** a report relating to the shoulder seasons for tourism in Brecon drafted by the Visit Brecon Co-Ordinator dated 17 April 2023. Members discussed the content of the report and were grateful to the officer concerned for the work carried out in this regard. Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED

THAT Committee Members will consider the detail within the report individually and put forward suggestions / recommendations for consideration at a later meeting.

770/22 DIRECT DEBIT AND STANDING ORDER LIST

Submitted **F(E)** a list of direct debits and standing orders for 2023/24.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and be approved.

771/22 Y GAER QUARTERLY REPORT

Submitted **F(F)** Y Gaer quarterly report dated 2 April 2023.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

772/22 PR AND PRESS OPPORTUNITIES

The grant aid.

773/22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items.

774/22 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

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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.