

## 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 2 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 7.00 P.M.

#### 483/25 PRESENT

Councillor J Powell (Deputy Chair in the Chair)  
Councillor M Thapa  
Councillor D Meredith  
Councillor M Dorrance  
Councillor N Stone  
Councillor M Perry  
Councillor S Morgans  
Councillor T Fretten

**In Attendance:** Mrs. Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)  
Mr Rhys Ridge-Evans (Administrative Officer)  
Ms Sara St George (Chief Executive Theatr Brycheiniog) (left 7:13pm)

#### 484/25 PRESENTATION

The Vice Chair welcomed Ms Sara St George, the new Chief Executive of Theatr Brycheiniog to the meeting and invited her to give her presentation to the meeting. Ms St George thanked Members for their time this evening and provided Members with her background and an overview of her plans for the Theatr. After her presentation, Members were given the opportunity to ask Ms St George questions, which Ms St George answered. After the presentation, Ms St George left the meeting and did not return.

#### 485/25 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Walsh, and Davies.

#### 486/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Powell declared an interest in the grant application received from Brecon Mens Shed, and Councillor Perry was appointed interim Chair for this grant application. Councillor Thapa declared an interest in agenda item 20.

#### 487/25 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 5 January 2026 (Pages 130 – 133) (copies of which had been previously circulated) were considered and it was

**RESOLVED**

**FINANCE AND COMMISSIONING OF CONTRACTS COMMITTEE – 2 February  
2026**

**THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 5 January 2026 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.**

**488/25 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

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

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

**RESOLVED**

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

**FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL WELSH REGIMENTAL MUSEUM**

Members discussed this application, with six votes in favour it was

**RESOLVED**

**THAT a grant of £1000 be awarded to the Friends of the Royal Welsh Regimental Museum, with the funds being taken from General Reserves due to that budget line being fully spent.**

**BRECON MENS SHED**

As Councillor Powell declared an interest in this application, he was placed in the waiting room on Zoom and took no part in discussions. Councillor Perry assumed the Chair at this point. Members discussed this application, following which it was

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**THAT a grant of £2184 be awarded to Brecon Mens Shed.**

**489/25 VISIT BRECON VISITOR NUMBERS**

Submitted **F(C)** Visit Brecon Visitor Numbers.

**RESOLVED**

**THAT this information be taken as received and noted.**

**490/25 Y GAER QUARTERLY REPORT**

Submitted **F(D)** Y Gaer quarterly report.

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**RESOLVED**

**THAT this information be taken as received and noted.**

**491/25 NEW LIGHT AND WOODWORK REPAIR – LION YARD TOILETS**

The Town Clerk informed Members that repair work has been necessary at Lion Yard toilets to the external ceiling along with a replacement light, due to water ingress and concern about further electrical damage. This was agreed prior to the meeting as an urgent repair in the sum of £300 with Councillor Walsh.

**RESOLVED**

**THAT this information be taken as received and noted.**

**492/25 ADDITIONAL FUNDING – ST DAVID’S DAY EVENT**

The Town Clerk informed Members that she has received confirmation from Welsh Government that the variation in spend of the grant has been approved. The Town Clerk reminded Members that additional spend relating to provision of t-shirts was approved in principle at the January Full Council meeting, though was raised under Any Other Business so is on the agenda if this meeting for formal approval.

**RESOLVED**

**THAT the variation of spend be noted, and that the additional costs be met by Brecon Town Council, being paid from reserves.**

**493/25 PR AND PRESS OPPORTUNITIES**

The grant aid awarded.

**494/25 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no items.

**495/25 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.**