MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, GUILDHALL AND STAFFING COMMITTEE OF BRECON TOWN COUNCIL HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON 5 OCTOBER 2026 AT 6:00PM

252/26 PRESENT

Councillor R Thomas (in the Chair)
Councillor C Walton
Councillor C Walsh
Councillor S Drinan
Councillor L Rijnenberg
Councillor N Stone
Councillor D Meredith
Councillor M Matthews

In attendance: Mrs Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)
Miss Yachana Gurung (Administrative Officer) (joined at 6:02pm)

253/26 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillor T Fretten and Councillor M Perry.

254/26 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no items.

255/26 PLANNING, GUILDHALL AND STAFFING COMMITTEE – 7 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Minutes of the Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee held on 7 September 2026 (pages 34 – 37) (copies of which had been previously circulated) were considered, it was

RESOLVED

THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Guildhall and Staffing Committee held on 7 September 2026 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.

256/27 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) Submitted – Schedule of applications from the Bannau Brycheiniog National Park Authority (hereafter referred as BBNPA) reference number 4742 - 4748 (copies of which had been previously circulated - **P(A).**
(b) Submitted – Schedule of Decisions from BBNPA - **P(B).**

RESOLVED

(a) THAT the schedule contained in the attached P(A) be received and noted.
(b) THAT the schedule contained in the attach P(B) be received and noted.

257/26 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY POLICY FOR REVIEW

Submitted **P(C)** Equality and Diversity Policy for review.

RESOLVED

THAT the Equality and Diversity Policy be approved as drafted.

258/26 INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY FOR REVIEW

Submitted **P(D)** Inclement Weather Policy for review.

RESOLVED

THAT the Inclement Weather Policy be approved as drafted.

259/26 SOCIAL MEDIA FOR EMPLOYEES POLICY FOR REVIEW

Submitted **P(E)** Social Media for Employees Policy for review.

RESOLVED

THAT the Social Media for Employees Policy be approved as drafted, with one minor amendment.

260/26 VAN DRIVING RISK ASSESSMENT FOR REVIEW

Submitted **P(F)** Van Driving Risk Assessment for review

RESOLVED

THAT the Van Driving Risk Assessment be approved as drafted.

261/26 PLANNING APPLICATION TIMESCALES

Councillor L Rijnenberg informed Members that she has heard back from Brecon Beacons National Park Authority and her query on planning application timescales has been resolved.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

262/26 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN 2027/28 PRECEPT

Councillor R Thomas suggested including funds for the additional flagpole as discussed in the last Council meeting. Councillor C Walsh suggested including funds for works required at the Guildhall under the fire risk assessment.

RESOLVED

THAT the above suggestions be noted for the first budget draft

263/26 DISCIPLINARY POLICY – NEW DRAFT PROVISIONS FOR APPROVAL

Submitted **P(G)** Disciplinary Policy for approval.

RESOLVED

THAT the Disciplinary Policy be approved as drafted subject to any comments received from Councillor C Walsh during the course of this week.

264/26 PR AND PRESS OPPORTUNITIES

There were no items.

265/26 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items.

266/26 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

SECTION B

RESOLVED

THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted whereby matters of a possible personal nature might be discussed in relation to the finances or staff of the Council, and matters of a sensitive nature, 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.