

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BRECON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.00 P.M.

221/26 PRESENT

Councillor S Drinan (Mayor in the Chair)
Councillor J Powell
Councillor M Thapa (remote) (arrived at 7:06pm)
Councillor M Perry (remote) (arrived 7:02pm)
Councillor C Walton
Councillor S Morgans (remote)
Councillor L Rijnenberg (remote)
Councillor N Stone
Councillor C Walsh (remote)
Councillor R Thomas

In Attendance: Mrs Fiona Williams (Town Clerk)
Miss Yachana Gurung (Administrative Officer)
Mr R Gillard (Youth Representative) (online)

222/26 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillor D Meredith, Councillor M Davies, Councillor M Dorrance, Councillor T Fretten and Youth Representative Miss R Jones.

223/26 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no items.

224/26 ANNOUNCEMENT

Councillor S Drinan apologised for technical difficulties at the July Council meeting and gave Members an overview of the events she has attended since the last Council meeting.

225/26 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

There were no items.

226/26 FULL COUNCIL – 27 JULY 2026

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held 27 July 2026 (Pages 25 – 30) (copies of which had been previously circulated) were considered.

RESOLVED

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27 July 2026 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.

227/26 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.

228/26 FINANCE AND COMMISSIONING OF CONTRACTS COMMITTEE – 7 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Minutes of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 7 September 2026 (Pages 40 – 43) (copies of which had been previously circulated) were considered

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the Minutes of the Finance and Commissioning of Contracts Committee held on 7 September 2026 be taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed.

229/26 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAID – MAY, JUNE AND JULY 2026

Submitted **C(A)** statement of accounts paid for May, June and July 2026.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

230/36 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVED – MAY, JUNE AND JULY 2026

Submitted **C(B)** statement of accounts received for May, June and July 2026.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

231/26 BUDGET V ACTUAL – MAY, JUNE AND JULY 2026

Submitted **C(C)** budget v actual for May, June and July 2026.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

232/26 BANK RECONCILIATION – MAY, JUNE AND JULY 2026

Submitted **C(D)** bank reconciliation for May, June and July 2026.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

233/26 PUMP TRACK/SKATE PARK UPDATE REPORT

Submitted **C(E)** pump track/skate park update report dated 4th September 2026. Councillor C Walton and Youth Representative R Gillard provided members with an update about the progress of the pump track consultation.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted, and thanks were given to Councillor C Walton and R Gillard for their ongoing work on this project.

234/26 CHANGES TO BUS STOPS IN BRECON TOWN

Councillor S Drinan informed Members of the lack of information available about request stops in Brecon town. Councillor R Thomas notified Members about the removal of a bus stop sign on Cradoc Road. Following discussion it was,

RESOLVED

THAT the Town Clerk contacts Williams Coaches to enquire about the removal of the bus stop sign on Cradoc Road and that the Town Clerk and Mayor seek clarification regarding request stops and more permanent arrangements for the bus routes in Brecon town.

235/26 WHITE RIBBON ACCREDITATION – BRIEFING AND THREE-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Submitted **C(F)** White Ribbon Accreditation briefing document and **C(G)** Three-Year Implementation Plan dated 21st August 2026. Councillor J Powell provided an overview to Members and Councillor S Drinan thanked the working group for their work. Councillor R Thomas suggested the idea of inviting non-Councillors to become ambassadors for White Ribbon and spoke about the need for further engagement particularly with men and boys.

RESOLVED

THAT this information be taken as received and noted.

236/26 GUILDHALL FLAG EMAIL

Submitted **C(H)** Guildhall flag email dated 23rd August 2026. The Town Clerk provided an overview of the research undertaken in 2020, including challenges to safely access additional flag poles and requirements for access externally either using a pulley system or a cherry picker. The Town Clerk read aloud an email from Councillor M Dorrance supporting the idea of installing an additional flagpole. Discussion took place about confusion in the email dated 23rd August 2026 from a member of the public regarding responsibilities of other authorities and organisations. Following lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

THAT work is undertaken to establish options for a second flagpole.

237/26 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE POLICY FOR REVIEW

Submitted **C(I)** Youth Representative Policy for review.

RESOLVED

THAT Youth Representative Policy be approved as drafted.

238/26 CCTV POLICY FOR REVIEW

Submitted **C(J)** CCTV Policy for review.

RESOLVED

THAT CCTV Policy be approved as drafted.

239/26 PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT POLICY

Submitted **C(K)** Privacy Impact Assessment Policy for review.

RESOLVED

THAT Privacy Impact Assessment Policy be approved as drafted.

240/26 MANAGEMENT OF TRANSFERABLE DATA POLICY FOR REVIEW

Submitted **C(L)** Management of Transferable Date Policy for review

RESOLVED

THAT Management of Transferable Data Policy be approved as drafted.

241/26 REVISED WELLBEING REPORT

Submitted **C(M)** revised Wellbeing Report reflecting contributions to Powys Wellbeing Plan 2023 – 2028.

RESOLVED

THAT the Revised Wellbeing Report be approved as drafted.

242/26 MAENDU WELL BUS SHELTER

The Town Clerk reminded Members about a previous bus shelter project at Maes-y-Ffynnon, and a previous ear marked reserve for this amount was made available for reallocation. Further information is awaited from Powys County Council about when it will be able to install the new shelter and this is being pursued. The Town Clerk notified Members the earmarked reserved may now be required for the project and further information will be provided when possible.

RESOLVED

THAT this item be noted.

243/26 PR AND PRESS OPPORTUNITIES

To note the end of the busking scheme and thank Councillor M Davies for her work in this respect.

244/26 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Town Clerk notified Members that the external audit report was received at the end of last week and that an unqualified report has been received with no comments made by the auditor, and that this report will be on the next Council meeting agenda.

The Town Clerk also informed Members about the Croeso y Feicwyr Cymru grant applications being submitted by Powys County Council for 2 towns in Powys, Brecon being one of them, and provided an overview on what the grant covers. They have requested a letter of support, which was agreed.

245/26 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.