

CYNGOR TREF PENMAENMAWR PENMAENMAWR TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a PENMAENMAWR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
held remotely using Zoom Video Conferencing on the 8th June 2021 at 6.30 pm.

19604 Councillors Present: Cllr K. Beard (Chair), Cllr U. Abbott, Cllr M. Baines, Cllr S. Banwell, Cllr M. Brewer, Cllr L. Coleman, Cllr E. Davies, Cllr L. Goodier, Cllr J. Jones, Cllr K. Loustan-Lalanne, Cllr J. Sharples, Cllr C. Williams.

Officers Present: M. Hanks (Clerk and RFO) & I. Hart (Asst Admin Officer)

In Attendance: Three members of the public attended remotely.

19605 Apologies.
None

19606 Code of Conduct/Declaration of Interest.
None Declared.

19607 Public Participation –

Mr Robin Millar, Member of Parliament for Aberconwy addressed the Council and spoke about events locally, including the Covid19 pandemic, the recent rise in cases locally, the vaccination programme and the need for vigilance with the arrival of the Delta variant in the area. He also spoke of the levelling fund, the Community Resilience Fund and the Shared Prosperity Fund, and of his recent visit to Penmaenmawr while cycling for pleasure. Mr Millar reported that he was particularly impressed by the work being undertaken by the promenade upgrade project and by the positive way that the Town Council had responded to the Covid-19 pandemic. The MP took questions from Councillors on a range of topics, including the introduction of signs to separate cyclists and pedestrians in some areas of the promenade and was appraised on new initiatives in the town, including Pen in Partnership.

19608 Mayor's Report

The Mayor began by thanking Mr Millar for taking time to visit the Council and for his kind words. She reported that much had progressed in Penmaenmawr since his first visit last September. The Mayor reported that she and the clerk had recently met with Reverend Tom Sawyer to discuss the future of the Parish Hall, in Dwygyfylchi and she would expand further on this later on the agenda. She also advised the Council that, following the Council's successful joint grant application with Penmaenmawr Against Single-Use Plastic, the parties involved, which included the Community Library Support Group had established Penmaenmawr Sustainable Information Project, which had held its first meetings and had begun liaising with sculptors. The Council's loan application to the Public Works Loan Board had been approved and this would aid cash flow during the prom project. The Council were notified that a meeting was scheduled with the ERDF team which was reporting to the Welsh Government on the impact of the A55 upgrade scheme. Finally, the Mayor reported that she had recently attended several One Voice Wales online training courses and had found them both interesting and informative, she reported that in total eight courses had been attended by PTC Councillors in recent weeks and she encouraged other Councillors to attend, as, apart from improving the efficiency of the Council and the individual Councillor, having trained Councillors was one of the parameters to obtain the General Power of Competence next year.

19609 Clerk's Report

The Clerk began by confirming the benefits of the Local Government Wales Act 2021 and the requirement with regard to the General Power of Competence next year and the already introduced

requirements to publish draft minutes of Council meetings within 7 working days, which the Council was complying with. The Council were updated on the Local Places for Nature grant and were also appraised on the outcome of the meeting with Transport for Wales, regarding its Adopt a Station initiative, and on the successful incorporation of Pen in Bloom, whose work had been assisted by the recent employment of the Environmental Warden. It was reported that the interviews for the vacant Civic Pride Warden's post will be held on Thursday. In contrast, the meeting of the Community Centre liaison group with the Trustees had been postponed until the 1st of July.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION

19610 Ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11th of May 2021.

RESOLVED: to ratify the minutes of the meeting of the 11th of May 2021.

19611 Matters arising from the meeting held on 11th May 2021.

None

19612 Signing the minutes of the meeting of the 11th of May 2021.

RESOLVED: to sign the minutes of the 11th of May 2021 as a true record of the meeting.

19613 Councillor Vacancy

Following the recent publication of co-option notices for the vacancy of a councillor for the Capelulo Ward, two candidates had submitted their interest and been invited to address the Council:

- i. Mrs Hart – addressed the Council and spoke of her background and interests.
- ii. Mr Gadd – was not in attendance.

RESOLVED: To contact Mr Gadd and ascertain if he was still interested in the position and find out why he was not in attendance.

Action: Clerk to contact Mr Gadd.

19614 To Receive a report from the Finance Committee.

FOR INFORMATION: The Chair of Finance reported that further to the Pencae grant application reported at the last Council meeting, a further grant application had been received and assessed, in favour of Pals of Pen Prom. A request for financial support had also been received from the local Welsh language newspaper, Y Pentan. These items had been discussed by the Finance Committee and while the committee resolved to recommend to Council the approval of the Pals of Pen Prom application and the request for support from Y Pentan, the committee recommended rejecting the Pencae application as this was for education equipment, which is not in keeping the current PTC guidelines. All three of these applications are listed as separate agenda items below.

19615 Grant Application from Pals of Pen Prom.

A grant application from Pals of Pen Prom for £500 to spend on additional equipment and items to improve the image of the promenade was. The Finance Committee recommended the approval of the application.

RESOLVED: To grant Pals of Pen Prom £500, as requested.

Action: Clerk to arrange for payment of the grant.

Councillor Goodier signed out.

19616 Grant Application from Pencae School.

A grant application from Ysgol Pencae for £3,994.90 was discussed. The application requested the funds to purchase outdoor play equipment to assist with outdoor learning. It was highlighted that the provision

of equipment for schools was a statutory duty of the unitary Council and, as such, fell outside the guidelines of the Town Council. No proposal for the items was received.

Action: Clerk to advise Pencae School

19617 To Receive a Report from the Resilience and Economic Recovery Committee.

FOR INFORMATION: The Council were advised that the Resilience and Economic Recovery Committee had not met since the last Council meeting.

19618 To Receive a Report from the Prom Upgrade Committee.

It was reported that the Prom upgrade project was progressing well. The painting of the wood areas was now complete and the concreting the coping atop the wall was progressing well. Work to prepare the breezeblock walls for the rendering was also about to begin. The Committee would be meeting again soon to discuss which shade to paint the coping concrete.

19619 Appoint Representatives to Outside Bodies.

The Council's representatives to the Board of Governors to Pencae school and Capelulo school, as well as to representative organisations, including One Voice Wales, the North and mid-Wales Association of Town Councils and the Town & Community Council Forum was discussed.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Jones continue as Governor to Ysgol Capelulo, Cllr Goodier continue as Governor to Ysgol Pencae and Cllr Baines continue to represent the Council on the representative organisations.

Action: Clerk to ensure that each organisation is aware of the Council's representative.

19620 To Confirm Appointments to Council Committees.

The proposed appointment of Councillors to the various Council committees had been pre-circulated for consideration.

RESOLVED: To accept the appointments to Council committees for the municipal year 2021 - 2022 as circulated.

Action: Clerk to publish the list.

19621 To Approve 2021 – 2022 Schedule of Meetings

The proposed schedule of Council meeting for the municipal year 2021 – 2022 had been pre-circulated for consideration.

RESOLVED: To accept the 2021 – 2022 Schedule of Council meetings as circulated.

Action: Clerk to publish the list.

19622 Dwygyfylchi Parish Hall – Future Options.

The Council were advised that the Dwygyfylchi Parish Hall was closed until further notice due to the need for substantial repairs. The Mayor and clerk had met with Reverend Tom Sawyer to discuss the future options for the building. However, to assist future discussions it was considered that the valuation of the land, should it be used for a similar purpose, be obtained. The local Ministry are willing to jointly fund such a valuation.

RESOLVED: To appoint the district valuer to value the land and to allocate £500 for the project.

Action: Clerk to contact the District Valuer

19623 To Approve the Establishment of a Garden Competition.

It was proposed that the Council establish a garden competition. The proposal was for Councillors to work in pairs and to draw up a shortlist of the aesthetically pleasing garden in each of their wards by the end of June. The Mayor will then visit those on the shortlist during July and decide on a winner.

RESOLVED: To establish the garden competition as proposed.

Action: Councillors to nominate gardens for consideration.

Correspondence

19624 Community Library Support Group

The Council were advised that during the recent national vaccination programme, almost three thousand vaccinations had been delivered at the community library, under the joint initiative with the Plas Menai Health Centre backed up by local volunteers. This initiative was now temporarily suspended until Autumn when it was proposed to repeat the operation for booster inoculations. It was further announced that as of Wednesday, June 16th, weekly Health Visitor baby clinics will recommence. The Family Support team will also be sharing the building at that time.

RESOLVED: To thank everyone involved in this invaluable project for their exemplary work.

Action: Clerk to notify the Library Support Group and Plas Menai Surgery and also ask that the volunteers be notified of the community's appreciation of their efforts.

19625 Request for Support from Y Pentan

The Council have been asked to support the local Welsh language newspaper, Y Pentan.

RESOLVED: To award Y Pentan a grant of £150 under section 137 LGA 1972.

Highways Notifications

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- i Temporary Traffic Regulation – Sychnant Pass Road, Capelulo to Conwy, Between 01/06/21 – 01/11/21, Carriageway Resurfacing

The traffic works were noted by the Council.

List of Payment

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DATE	CHEQUE No	CODE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
17/05	04037	s.19	Ash Tree Surgery (prom project)	2,580.00
30/04	04038	s.19	Hogan Waste (prom project)	240.00
29/04	04039	s.19	Hogan Waste (prom project)	240.00
26/04	04040	s.19	Hogan Waste (prom project)	240.00
20/05	04041	s.19	A-Z Painting Interim Invoice (prom project)	3,000.00
21/05	Card	s.19	More Handles (prom project)	248.83
27/05	04042	s.19	A-Z painting Ltd (prom project)	7,416.00
13/05	04043	s.19	C. L Jones (prom project)	124.80
27/04	04044	s.19	Brookes (Tarpaulins) (signs for prom project)	143.94
19/05	04045	s.19	Mixmate Concrete & Screed (prom project)	238.20
24/05	Card	s.19	Ironmongery Direct (prom project)	446.58
26/05	04046	s.19	CCBC (community skip)	276.00
25/01	Card	s.150	Amazon Svcs (headsets)	117.88
17/05	04047	s.150	WiSS (annual website management for 2 websites)	856.80
24/04	04048	s.150	Parish Online (annual mapping system renewal)	270.00
21/04	04049	s.150	Viking (stationery)	249.52

07/05	04050	s.150	Viking (stationery)	372.87
04/05	Card	s.150	Amazon (replacement printer)	498.78
04/05	Card	s.150	Amazon (black ink)	98.15
30/04	04033	s.19	A.D Roberts (April community maintenance)	105.00
30/04	04034	s.19	A.D Roberts (general & green waste drops)	143.00

RESOLVED: to approve the list of payments.

Action: Clerk to arrange payment.

19628 Social Media News

- i. The Town Council was delighted to again welcome Aberconwy MP, Mr Robin Millar to its meeting of the 8th June 2021. The MP discussed the impact of the pandemic locally and Government initiatives to assist economic resilience.
- ii. The Town Council are delighted to announce that they have awarded Pals of Pen Prom a grant of £500.
- iii. The promenade upgrade project is progressing well.
- iv. The Town Council is pleased to announce that it has awarded Y Pentan a grant of £150.
- v. The Council have launched a Garden competition. Councillors will be walking around and nominating the best-kept gardens, which will be forwarded to the Mayor for final adjudication.
- vi. The Town Council has, under a Transport for Wales 'Adopt a Station' scheme, adopted Penmaenmawr Station. As such the station will be monitored much more closely and issues reported.

19629 Date and Time of the Next Meeting - 6.30 pm 6th July 2021

Meeting ended at 7.59 pm.