

CYNGOR TREF PENMAENMAWR
PENMAENMAWR TOWN COUNCIL



To all members of the Council: -

Minutes of a PENMAENMAWR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

held remotely using Zoom Video Conferencing on the 8th September 2020 at 6.30 pm.

19370 Councillors Present: Cllr K. Beard (Chair), Cllr U. Abbott, Cllr M. Baines, Cllr S. Banwell, Cllr M. Brewer, Cllr Coleman, Cllr J. Jones (signed in at 19.05), Cllr Lloyd-Borland, Cllr J. Sharples (signed in at 18.45), Cllr C. Williams.

Officer Present: M. Hanks (Clerk and RFO)

In Attendance: Four members of the public attended remotely.

19371 Apologies: Cllr E. Davies (work). Cllr L. Goodier (work)

19372 Code of Conduct/Declaration of Interest.
None

19373 Public Participation –

- i. Mr Robin Millar, MP for Aberconwy introduced himself to the Council. Mr Millar, a former community council member, spoke to his support and appreciation for the work undertaken by community councils, especially during the current pandemic. He spoke of his desires for the future and the need for community resilience. Following a brief address, the Member took questions from Councillors.

The Chair thanked Mr Millar for taking the time to attend the meeting and for his support.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION

19374 Ratification of the minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2020.

RESOLVED: to ratify the minutes of the meeting of the 11th August 2020.

19375 Matters arising from the meeting held on 11th August 2020.

- i. 19362. Council Deeds – While the Council had not yet obtained the advice of a legal expert to interpret the Deeds, communication had been exchanged with CCBC and discussions and clarifications should be expected for the next meeting.
- ii. 19364. Health & Safety of Council Chamber – The Council were advised that the correspondence to the Community Centre was prepared and would be posted the following day. However, a verbal discussion had taken place with the Centre's Treasurer who appeared receptive to the Council's concerns.
- iii. 19341. Town Council Advertising Banner – It was reported that the contractor had been contacted for an update but a response had not yet been received.

19376 Signing the minutes of the meeting of the 11th August 2020.

RESOLVED: to sign the minutes of the 11th August 2020 as a true record of the meeting.

19377 List of Payments.

30/08	03914-25	s.150	Councillors Annual Allowances (12 x £150)	1800.00
30/08	03913	s.150	Mayoral Annual Allowance	1500.00

15/08	03930	s.150	WiSS (annual website management for both sites)	856.80
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RESOLVED: to approve the list of payments.

Action: Clerk to arrange payment.

19378 To Accept a Report from the Covid-19 Resilience Committee.

FOR INFORMATION: It was reported that the committee was in the process of preparing social distancing signs (similar to those erected near the promenade by CCBC) and signs to promote local shopping, which should have been completed by the next meeting. It was also reported that a meeting had been held with local businesses on the 3rd of September, which had been well attended. The meeting discussed an initiative to promote local commerce and the potential of establishing a local chamber of trade (or similar) to promote business in the village.

RESOLVED: To accept the report.

19379 To Accept a Report from the Finance Committee.

This item was deferred as no meeting has not been held.

19380 Councillor Vacancy.

The Council were informed that the notices advising residents of the councillor vacancy have been published but as ten signatories had not been received, no by-election will be triggered. Therefore, notice will be published requesting nomination for co-option onto the Council. The duration that these notices will be on display is at the discretion of the Council.

RESOLVED: To publish the notices for 14 days.

Action: Clerk to arrange.

19381 Election of Deputy Mayor for 2020 - 2022.

Only one candidate had been nominated, proposed, and seconded for the post. Therefore, the Council were left with the option to accept or reject the candidate.

RESOLVED: Using the Zoom polling system, Cllr Chris Williams was elected Deputy Mayor.

Action: Clerk to publish the election result.

19382 To Consider Live Council Meetings

Following the recent easing of social distancing restrictions, the potential of re-instating live council meetings was discussed. Overall, it was considered premature to return to live face to face meetings at this time.

RESOLVED: To defer this item until 20th October.

Action: Clerk to include on 20th October agenda

19383 To Consider Erecting Finger Posts.

Further to previous discussions (see minute 19340 of 28th July meeting) a pre-circulated design and quotation were discussed. It was felt that as this could be the beginning of a wider programme of signage for the village, a standard aesthetically pleasing design was important.

RESOLVED: To approve the purchase and erection of three wooden finger posts for the Dingle.

Action: Clerk to arrange with the contractor.

19384 Response to A55 Upgrade Request for Support.

A proposal from the A55 Upgrade Team to offset part of the Maes y Llan playpark with additional land, on the eastern side of the public footpath was pre-circulated to Councillors, which included maps. The proposal included a request that the Town Council support the proposal. It was argued that the area would benefit from working with the Welsh Government on this project, rather than oppose it.

RESOLVED: To endorse the proposal.

Action: Clerk to notify the A55 Upgrade team.

19385 To Discuss the Damaged Lights on the Promenade

It was reported that one chain of the decorative lights on the promenade has been damaged and while the cable had been made safe, replacement lights were discussed.

RESOLVED: to obtain a quotation to renew the string of lights.

Action: Clerk to liaise with contractors.

19386 The Bus Service Through Penmaenmawr.

Concerns have been raised with Councillor by some residents, about the reduced bus service in the village over recent months. However, Arriva has this week announced that services would be returning to normal.

RESOLVED: to write to Arriva and express that while it understands that unprecedented challenges have been faced and ask if there is anything that the Council can do to ensure that full services are continued.

Action: Clerk to write to Arriva.

Correspondence

19387 Relate Request for Support.

The Council had received a request for financial support from Relate.

RESOLVED: To award £200 to this appeal under section 137 LGA 1972.

Action: Clerk to arrange payment.

Highways

19388 Conwy Old Road, Cae Cyd Rd to Sychnant Pass – will be closed 21/09 to 09/10 to carry out highway repairs & flood defences.

This Road Closure was noted.

Grants & Donations

19389

DATE	CHEQUE No	CODE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
15/08	03927	s.137	Relate (<i>Request for Financial Support</i>)	200.00

19390 Social Media News

- i. Penmaenmawr Town Council welcomed Aberconwy MP, Mr Robin Millar to the meeting of 8th September. Mr Millar spoke of his support for the work undertaken by community councillors.
- ii. The Council are pleased to announce that it has awarded a grant of £200 to Relate.
- iii. As part of a larger review of signage in the area, the Town Council have approved the locating of three wooden finger posts to promote the woodland walk through the Dingle.
- iv. The Town Council announced that the community skips are still suspended as the County Council have not yet re-instated weekend operations. The situation remains under review.

19391 Any Other Business

- v. It was requested that a covered bus stop, outside the Doctor's Surgery in Llanfairfechan, be discussed at the next meeting, as with winter approaching the need for this will increase.
- vi. The Council were informed that the Quarry Villages Community Bus will cease operations at the of October
- vii. The Council were asked to explore the feasibility of erecting a Victorian canopy, to the south of Conwy Road, to match the one on the North. It was acknowledged that this is a Conservation Area, therefore, in the first instance, advice would be required from CCBC Planning Dept, Conservation Officer.

19392 Date and Time of the Next Meeting - **6.30 pm 29th September 2020**

Meeting ended at 7.50 pm

Signed: _____ (Mayor)

Date: _____