

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 26th May 2020 at 6.30 pm.

19245 Councillors Present: Cllr U. Abbott, Cllr M. Baines, Cllr S. Banwell, Cllr K. Beard, Cllr Coleman, Cllr J. Edwards (arrived 1835hrs), Cllr L. Goodier, Cllr Lloyd-Borland (left at 1903 hrs), Cllr J. Sharples, Cllr C. Williams.

Officer Present: M. Hanks (Clerk and RFO)

In Attendance: Three members of the public signed in.

19246 Apologies: Cllr M. Brewer (technical issue), Cllr E. Davies (work), Cllr J. Jones (technical issues).

19247 Code of Conduct/Declaration of Interest.
None

19248 Public Participation – There was no public participation.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION

19249 Ratification of the minutes of the meeting held on 28th April 2020.

RESOLVED: to ratify the minutes of the meeting of the 28th April 2020.

Councillor Edwards signed in

19250 Urgent Matters arising from the meeting held on 28th April 2020.

- i. 19230. The items requested have been added to the Action Log.
- ii. 19237. The Purchase of 'Thank you NHS' Flags and Banners. It was reported that two thank you NHS flags (one in each language) had been purchased and were flying outside the Community Centre within a week of the last meeting. With regards to the banners, design challenges meant that it became prudent to prepare separate English and Welsh banners. However, despite the increase in overall number, these were purchased within budget and are being displayed around the area.
- iii. 19238. The Coronavirus Support Fund has been established, the Committee has completed its first meeting and the Terms of Reference have been circulated to Councillors and are awaiting final approval on this agenda (see item 19256 below).
- iv. The final wording of the North & Mid-Wales Assn of Local Councils Survey, which was referred to a Council workshop by the last meeting has been pre-circulated and will be discussed on this agenda (see item 19255 below).

19251 Signing the minutes of the meeting of 28th April 2020.

RESOLVED: to sign the minutes of the 28th April 2020 as a true record of the meeting.

19252 Social Media News

It was agreed to promote the following items through social media:

- i. In a gesture of support and appreciation for NHS and other key workers during this difficult time, the Town Council, on behalf of the people of Penmaenmawr, have arranged for 'Thank you' flags and banners to be displayed.

- ii. The Town Council is pleased to announce that its COVID19 Support Fund has now been established and is available to charities assisting those suffering greater hardship as a result of the pandemic and individuals working to prepare PPE for key workers. Details available on the Council website Penmaenmawr.org.

19253 List of Payments.

07/05	03872	s.150	Zurich Insurance	942.38
29/04	D/Card	s.19	Mr Flag – (Thank you NHS Flags)	95.99
15/04	D/Debit	s.150	Talk Talk – Telephone & Broadband	37.14

RESOLVED: to approve the list of payments.

19254 Lighting of Public Building to Support Key Workers.

It was proposed that the Council consider investing in a number of LED panel lights, which a view to using them to light up community buildings across the area. These lights can be programmed to shine a specific colour or can morph through the spectrum, allowing the Council to react to support specific events or occasions.

RESOLVED: to establish a Committee to explore potential locations for such a lights project and the research the initial and ongoing costs and report back to Council. The Committee will consist of Cllr Lloyd-Borland, Cllr Baines, Cllr Coleman and Cllr Goodier.

19255 North & Mid-Wales Assn of Local Councils Survey.

Further to the request for a response to the North & Mid-Wales Assn of Local Councils Survey (see item 19242, at the meeting of 28th April 2020) and the subsequent Council workshop on the topic. The Council proposed to reject the suggested changes to the methods of raising both Council and Business Tax, while the supporting of the Veterans housing initiative. The wording of the reply had been pre-circulated.

RESOLVED: to accept the response as prepared by the workshop.

19256 Terms of Reference for the COVID-19 Support Scheme.

The Council were asked to adopt the Terms of Reference for the COVID-19 Support Scheme Committee as pre-circulated. Following a review of the Terms, the Council made its decision.

RESOLVED: to accept the Terms of Reference for the Support Committee.

Councillor Lloyd-Borland signed out.

19257 Ground Maintenance.

Conwy County Borough Council are facing significant challenges delivering outdoor services, due to a shortage of agency staff. This has resulted in unusually long grass in local parks and play areas, overgrown Public Right of Way and unkept grass verges. A number of options on how to improve this situation were rejected, including employing a contractor, recruiting volunteers or doing nothing and waiting for CCBC to reinstate normal services.

RESOLVED: To ask the HR committee to explore the feasibility of employing a temporary part-time Civic Pride Technician.

19258 Warm Wales

Warm Wales is a national Community Interest Company established to assist people in fuel poverty through a range of projects and grants. An initial exploration of interest from PTC to work with Warm Wales on a project to assist local residents has received a positive response on the day of the meeting.

RESOLVED: to circulate the proposal to Councillors and add to the agenda of the 16th June meeting.

EXEMPT ITEMS

19259 Council Property

RESOLVED: Cllr Williams to work with the Clerk to ascertain more information, obtaining specialist advice if required.

19260 Strategic Priorities.

Following a full and open discussion on the primary topic it was felt that more information was required.

RESOLVED: it was agreed that Cllr Beard would prepare proposals for Council consideration.

19261 Staff Remuneration

RESOLVED: To refer this item to the HR Committee for a recommendation.

19262 Any Other Business

- i. Cllr Edwards, on behalf of the Pen Food Bank, thanked the Council you for their recent grant and advised that, as well as a formal letter of thanks, there would also be report sent to the Council shortly detailing what the grant had been spent on.
- ii. It was reported that CCBC recycling centres open from today but only via pre-booked time slots. Slots can be booked via CCBC website.
- iii. The Council were advised that as CCBC has changed its COVID-19 reporting system from last Wednesday, to include tests in all local care homes, it was expected that there would be a spike in the reported number of infections locally, which proved to be the case.

19263 Date and Time of the Next Meeting - **6.30 pm 16th June 2020.**

Meeting ended at 8.20 pm