

Monthly Meeting of the Council on Monday 11th April 2022 in the City Hall at 7.00pm.

Present: Mayor AC York, Deputy Mayor FD John, ES Evans, DJH George, DB Halse, JG Lloyd, BT Price, BS Sehmi, RT Thornton, S Williams, with CH Gray (Clerk) and W Mann (Responsible Finance Officer).

1 Apologies for Absence: DB Halse, E Evans.

2 Declarations of Interest: None.

3 Confirmation of Minutes for:-

3.1 The Council Monthly Meeting on Monday 7th March 2022 - agreed.

3.2 The 'In Committee' Meeting on Monday 7th March 2022 - agreed.

3.3 The Council Monthly Meeting on Monday 28th March 2022 - agreed.

3.4 The 'In Committee' Meeting on Monday 28th March 2022 - agreed.

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Matters Arising: None

4 ST DAVIDS CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL Annual donation. Please see Paul Evans e-mail of 8th April 2022. It was RESOLVED that because the 2020 and 2021 festivals had been cancelled that it would be appropriate that the 2020 donation (already made) be used by the organisers for the 2022 festival. Clerk to advise the festival committee of this decision

5 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS Contract awarded to ETTS subject to CFA registration. It was RESOLVED that ETTS confirm that it is CFA Registered in good time prior to "switch-on"

6 TRAFFIC MATTERS

6.1 Flashing speed signs – please see Phil Leggett e-mail of 6th April 2022. Council disappointed that PCC are not able to proceed. In the meantime it was RESOLVED to pursue solutions to the "nuisance factor of flashing lights for residents of August Way

7 COUNCIL PROPERTY

7.1 The plumber has been contacted to adjust the water flow on the fountain. Still awaited. Council noted this

7.2 Brackets have been ordered ready for the No Dogs signs to be installed at Whitesands. Council noted this. Council agreed to pursue order of Blue Flags cost approximately £80

7.3 Pump track – grant funding awarded. Please see Matt Broome e-mail of 28th March 2022. Council advised that £7000 Enhancing Pembrokeshire Funding will be allocated from May 2022 towards this

7.4 The new sign in the car park has been ordered. Council noted this

7.5 Pembs CC have been asked to re-paint the white lines at the car park. Council requested that tenders be invited – work not anticipated to be begun until after October / November

8 ST DAVIDS WRC – please see Michael Harries e-mail of 1st April new opening hours at the tip. Council noted this and RESOLVED that a request is made that the tip opening hours include Saturdays. Clerk to write to PCC

9 QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 2022

- 9.1 Quotes have been requested for the afternoon tea from Isobel Morgan and Whitesands Beach House (still awaited). Council noted this.
- 9.2 Please see Zoe Coupland e-mail of 7th April 2022 – beacon lighting. Council agreed that this matter be deferred to new council decision in MAY 2022.
- 9.3 Council requested that Clerk write to St Davids RFC asking for permission to mount fireworks display.

10 COMMUNITY ELECTIONS 2022

- 10.1 Local elections for St Davids City Council – none contested with 12 persons nominated. Council noted this
- 10.2 Please see Pembrokeshire County Council guidance re co-option (not dated) should the need arise. Council noted this
- 10.3 Local Elections for County Councillor will take place on 5th May with 4 persons nominated. Council noted this
- 10.4 Annual meeting of the City Council at 6.30pm on Monday 9th May followed by the Monthly Meeting of the City Council at 7pm. Council noted this

11 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC The following item is a matter of contract and under section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, consideration as to whether the public and press be excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information is advised.

- 11.1 Hall Manager – Caretaker post as re-advertised Hall Manager - Council agreed
- 11.2 Clerk –Following interviews of applicants Staffing Committee recommends appointing Mr Simon Mann to the position as Clerk - Council agreed.

Accounts

- 12 Internal Audit for February 2022 – The Responsible Finance Officer reported that the Internal Audit for February 2022 had been completed successfully.
- 13 Accounts for March 2022 – The accounts for March 2022 were presented by the Responsible Finance Officer and RESOLVED to be approved with permission granted to pay.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE			Mar-22			
Current Account Balance at			31/03/2022	£108,024.55		
INCOME	Car Park		£16,032.52			
	City Hall		£251.00			
	Cafe		£2,520.00			
	Icecream Franchise		£0.00			
	Market Stalls		£0.00			
	Miscellaneous		£617.00			
	St Justinians		£0.00			
	TOTAL		£19,420.52			
LGA 1972 SEC 137 20/21 £12738.00				LGA 1972 Sec 214 Cemetery Maintenance		
	Last month's donations		£250.00	Total donated 21/22		£1,400.00
	2021/22	Total	£3,100.00			
	Balance available		£9,638.00			
PAYMENTS						
Admin			£5,718.73	Admin Staff Costs - including pensions		
			£1,570.76	General Office (Phone, Internet stationery etc)		
			£9.55	Bank Charges		
			£250.00	Grants & Donations		
			£7,549.04			
Whitesands			£2,382.75	Attendant's commission		
Market Stalls			£870.00	Attendants Fees & Stall Repairs		
Hall & House			£178.20	Caretaker's salary		
			£426.51	Heat & Light		
			£335.66	Caretaker Advertisement Cost		
			£85.89	Water Rates		
			£58.92	Boiler Service Care		
			£1,085.18			
Miscellaneous			£155.58	Events & Mtce		
	TOTAL		£12,042.55			
Agenda 2022 / 2023			3			

Correspondence

- 14 Solva Rowing & Watersports Club e-mail of 28th March 2022 – Parking for Round Ramsey Rowing Race. Council agreed to this
- 15 Brian Martin e-mail of 5th April 2022 Increase in Second Homes Tax. Council noted this concern and that Mr Martin be advised that his concern has been forwarded on to the responsible department in PCC
- 16 Noson Allan e-mail of 5th April 2022 – Community Night Out Scheme. Council agreed that this matter be deferred to new council decision in MAY 2022
- 17 Suzanne Thomas e-mail of 8th April 2022 – Parking discount at Whitesands. Council RESOLVED to discount to £10

18 Reports from Members representing the Council:-

- 18.1 St Davids Christmas Tree Association. Christmas Lights “switch-on” to be arranged for 3rd December 2022
- 18.2 St Davids Day Celebration Group. No updates to report
- 18.3 St Davids Day Centre for the Elderly. Starting May 9th 2022 Newsletter to include this item
- 18.4 St Davids Peninsula Tourist and Traders Association. No updates to report
- 18.5 Porthclais Harbour Authority. No updates to report
- 18.6 St Davids - Matsieng Lesotho Link. Coffee Morning to be arranged for 6th June 2022
- 18.7 Youth Drop In. No updates to report
- 18.8 Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi Governor. Council pleased to hear of the outstanding Lion King Concert
- 18.9 Porthstinian Boat Owners Association. Cllr Price to liaise with RFO to make further request for 2021 (portaloo) contribution
- 18.10 Porthmawr Surf Life Saving Club. No updates to report
- 18.11 PVT No updates to report
- 18.12 Music and Arts Festivals. Organised event in the City Hall for last weekend in October
- 18.13 Re-discovering Ancient Connections. Please see Ann Shrosbree e-mail of 4th April 2022. Clerk to write and advise that Deputy Mayor will attend
- 18.14 Coffee and Chat. Clerk to write a letter of thanks to organisers Glenys and John James for all their hard work
- 18.15 St Davids Befrienders – progress being made in talks between Befrienders, PCC and Scout Movement regarding the feasibility and cost of the adoption of the Scout Hut as a “Peoples Shed”. Further meeting to be held on 12th May. Although the Council is not involved in these discussions it noted this with interest.
- 18.16 One Voice Wales - Membership renewal. Clerk confirmed that current membership is in place
- 18.17 Eco Dewi/Bee Friendly - Clerk agreed to liaise with YPD St Nons Campus to establish an accurate number of badges needed.
- 18.18 Grants Funding Committee – no meetings held

19 County Councillors report:**Planning:**

- 20 NP/22/0222 RES land off Nun Street, Adjacent to Ysgol Bro Dewi – RESERVED MATTERS. The council RESOLVED that it continues to consider that the proposal will have a detrimental impact on the surrounding properties and has reservations regarding the capability of the existing sewerage infrastructure

- 21** NP/22/1056 Whitewell, 67, Goat Street, SA62 6RQ - Detached single storey double garage and store area.
Council agreed that this matter be deferred to new council decision in MAY 2022. Clerk to request extension of Due Date

22 AOB

Cllr Williams raised concerns regarding the impact of a Gin Still installed in Nun Street on residents in Cathedral Villas . It was not clear whether any licensing or planning applications are required and / or whether this is a matter normally devolved to this council. The council **RESOLVED** therefore that the clerk contact PCC to pursue the matter with the proprietors.

Cllr George spoke to the meeting on his forthcoming retirement to express his immense pride on serving this community birth as a Community Councillor and as a County Councillor. The meeting wholeheartedly and warmly thanked Cllr George for his immeasurable service.

The meeting also took the opportunity to thank all of the other councillors not standing for re-election for their hard work and commitment.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm