

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council on Monday 14th February 2022 in the City Hall at 7.00pm.

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

Also present was County Councillor DB Lloyd and S Denham & J Buchanan from “Together For Change”.

The meeting began with a short talk by Mss Denham and Buchanan on the scope and principles of the initiative which includes the communities of St Davids, Solva and Llanrhian. The council thanked both and it was agreed that interested councillors would follow up on this to liaise further.

It was also agreed that item 15 be moved for discussion after item 26

366 Apologies for Absence: There were none.

367 Declarations of Interest:

367.1 Cllr Evans declared a prejudicial interest in item 29 and she duly absented herself during this item

368 Confirmation of Minutes for:-

368.1 The Council Monthly Meeting on Monday 24th January 2022 were RESOLVED to be approved. Cllr Thornton requested that it be noted that a request to write to Well Pharmacy asking for confirmation that it had a long term plan for St Davids was not included in the minutes. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Well Pharmacy urgently to request this.

Matters Arising

369 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

369.1 In view of the fact that only one tender price had been received (Western Telegraph (£397.50) it was RESOLVED – regardless of the cost – to place an advertisement with the Western Mail.

370 TRAFFIC MATTERS

370.1 In view of the fact that this council has now been advised by Pembrokeshire County Council (Stephen Benger – Highways) that because of a lack of funding PCC will not be pursuing any Traffic Management plans for St Davids this year or in the foreseeable future it was agreed that consideration must be given to alternative less costly signage alternatives to ameliorate congestion Mr Benger has been invited to attend next month’s meeting. It was RESOLVED that a full public consultation should be arranged following next month’s meeting in order that all members of the community are fully apprised of the situation

370.2 Street signs – PCC have been contacted and a request has been made for removal.

370.3 Tourist Directional Sign – Bug Farm – noted by council – there were no further observations.

370.4 Flashing speed signs –Clerk confirmed that a site visit arranged for Thursday 17th February and interested councillors could arrange to join her if they so wished.

371 COUNCIL PROPERTY Commercial dishwasher installation – council noted this .

- 372** QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 2022
- 372.1 Tree planting - it was agreed that this could be discussed further at 7th March meeting (see January Minute item 349.3) and included on next months agenda.
- 372.2 As with item 7.1 - further discussion and to be included on next months agenda.
- 373** MEMORY CAFE – see item 26 an update of the progress with regard to this was provided by Cllr Lloyd
- 374** ST DAVIDS SCOUT HUT – progress report form the Mayor.
- 375** COMMUNITY RENEWAL FUND –the Mayor reported that preliminary and outline discussion regarding the principles behind the future use and occupation of the Scout Hut were positive. The meeting RESOLVED to agree that these discussions continue on a non-prejudicial basis until such time as a full and detailed cost analysis is undertaken and understood.
- 376** DWR CYMRUWATER Resources Plan – noted by the meeting
- 377** MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELD– Service Level Agreement 2022-25 – it was noted that this agreement no longer included the cost of grass cutting and that this cost. . It was RESOLVED to agree to undertake a SLA with Pembroekshire County OCuncil at a cost of circa £200 per annum.
- 378** COMMUNITY ELECTIONS 2022 - noted by the meeting.
- 379** CITY COUNCIL ST DAVIDS DAY DINNER – it was RESOLVED that in the light of all of the Covid restrictions that all in the community have had to endure it was not appropriate for this year's event to take place.
- 380** STAFF MATTERS - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC This item, being a matter of contract was agreed to be deferred to the end of the meeting when under section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, it was RESOLVED that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information.

Accounts

- 381** The Responsible Finance Officer confirmed that the internal Internal Audit for January 2022 had been completed successfully.
- 382** Accounts for January 2022 were RESOLVED to be approved and permission was granted to pay.
- 383** **DONATION REQUESTS**
- 383.1 Paul Sartori – it was RESOLVED to make a donation of £200.
- 383.2 Children's Wales Air - the meeting agreed that it needed to know more about this applicant and it was RESOLVED to postpone this item to the next months agenda.

Correspondence

- 384** Katy Daly e-mail of 7th February 2022 Whitesands Toilets Improvements – the meeting noted this.
- 385** Andy Middleton e-mail of 7th February 2022 Tourism for Good – the meeting noted this.
- 386** John Mansfield e-mail of 8th February 2022 Grant Funding Response – the meeting noted this.
- 387** Kelly Hamid e-mail of 9th February 2022 – Age Friendly Communities Bench – the meeting noted this.
- 388** Rachel Carter e-mail of 10th February 2022 Support the Swifts– the meeting noted this.
- 389** Andrew Holmes e-mail of 9th February 2022 – Fair at Waunfawr– the meeting noted this.

390 Reports from Members representing the Council:-

- 390.1 St Davids Christmas Tree Association – nothing to report.
- 390.2 St Davids Day Celebration Group. Report following meeting on 11th February 2022– nothing to report.
- 390.3 St Davids Day Centre for the Elderly –perhaps recommencing in the hall on April 21st – nothing further to report.
- 390.4 St Davids Peninsula Tourist and Traders Association – nothing to report.
- 390.5 Porthclais Harbour Authority – nothing to report.
- 390.6 St Davids - Matsieng Lesotho Link – nothing to report.
- 390.7 Youth Drop In – nothing to report.
- 390.8 Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi Governor – Cllr Thornton retorted that following a recent bus accident the school staff reposedd incredibly well and none of the children were seriously hurt.
- 390.9 Porthstinan Boat Owners Association – nothing to report.
- 390.10 Porthmawr Surf Life Saving Club – nothing to report.
- 390.11 PVT – please see Hatti Wokes - noted by the meeting 2022
- 390.12 Music and Arts Festivals.
- 390.13 Re-discovering Ancient Connections. Ruth Jones e-mail of 8th February 2022 was received.
- 390.14 Coffee and Chat – nothing to report.
- 390.15 St Davids Befrienders – nothing to report.
- 390.16 One Voice Wales – Cllr Thornton advised the meeting of a Welsh Govt sponsored “tree-planting” programm to be undertaken throughout wales in two stages in 2022 - nothing further to report.
- 390.17 Eco Dewi/Bee Friendly – nothing to report.
- 390.18 Grants Funding Committee – minutes of last meeting had been circulated to all councillors by the committee - nothing further to report

391 County Councillors report:

Cllr Lloyd provided an update with regard to the Memory Café and offered his observations and agreement and support with the council’s intentions regarding Traffic Management issues as the items appeared on the Agenda.

Planning:

- 392** NP/22/0040 Single storey rear kitchen extension High View, Catherine Street, SA62 6RJ. It was RESOLVED to support this application.
- 393** NP/22/0064 Stationing of pod within curtilage of Upper Porthmawr, SA62 6PS. It was RESOLVED to support this application.

Licensing:

394 Premises Licence application St Davids Kitchen. The meeting was made aware of a good deal of concern regarding noise and possible antisocial behaviour that might result from the granting of this license and RESOLVED not to support this application.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm

Signed
Chair

Date