

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council on Monday 3rd April 2023 in the Memorial Hall at 7.00pm.

Present: Mayor Cllr RJ Thornton, Deputy Mayor Cllr ES Evans, Cllr JT Jeremy, Cllr FD John, Cllr Lloyd, Cllr BT Price, Cllr R Price, Cllr BS Sehmi, Cllr N Walsh, Cllr S Williams, with S Mann (Clerk), and W Mann (rfo).

237 Apologies for Absence: Cllr DJ Griffiths, Cllr C Plant.

238 Declarations of Interest: Members are requested to identify any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests that they might have in relation to items on the agenda. None received.

239 Confirmation of Minutes for:

239.1 Traffic Management Committee Meeting on Monday 20th March 2023 were RESOLVED to be accepted.

239.2 Caretaker House Committee Meeting on Monday 20th March 2023 were RESOLVED to be accepted.

240 Matters Arising

240.1 Visit from Dafydd Llywelyn – the Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys to discuss concerns that the Council has regarding police presence in St Davids and its surrounding areas – further to item 107.3. The Mayor welcomed Dafydd Llywelyn to the meeting with the Commissioner thanking the Council for the invitation to come and speak first hand in relation with the concerns of the Council regarding the lack of police presence in St Davids particularly during the busy tourist season. The Commissioner provided the Council with a background summary of the current Police and Crime strategy to the City Council including recent calls from communities across Dyfed-Powys to show that the force is both visible and accessible whilst also listening and responding to councillors reports on the experiences of criminality gathered from members of the community. A full report is available in the Council Chamber.

240.2 Letter dated 13th March from local trader regarding Property Damage from Christmas Lighting Secure Wall Fittings and the granting of permission by all the property owners in the City to have these points attached to their properties – further to item 206.2. On review of the situation it was RESOLVED to pay for the damage as a gesture of goodwill and to implement measures ahead of subsequent Christmas Lighting installations to monitor the fixing points and brackets on the properties of residents as an appropriate safety provision.

240.3 Concern raised in AOB regarding Party Wall regulations along the rear boundary of the City Hall and the neighbouring premise during the course of the building of an extension was discussed and it was RESOLVED that a letter be sent requesting a response from the owner of the building.

241 Correspondence

- 241.1 Tour of Pembrokeshire e-mail of 14th February 2023 – Community Involvement in the upcoming 2023 event was received and it was RESOLVED refer the event organiser to Oriel y Parc & YPD for community participation.
- 241.2 Pembrokeshire County Council letter of 15th March 2023 Notice of Variation (No.10) 2023 – Parking Place Charges together with a copy of the Notice of Variation (No. 10) 2023 was received and the information was noted.
- 241.3 David Johnson e-mail of 17th March 2023 Request to use the City Hall for a bingo fundraiser in aid of Milford Haven Value Independence Centre was received and it was RESOLVED to provide the City Hall for the event at the community rate.
- 241.4 Holmes Funfair e-mail of 20th March 2023 was received and it was RESOLVED to approve the request to have a funfair at Waun Fawr over the Spring Bank Holiday commensurate with previous years.
- 241.5 St Davids Brownies e-mail of 22nd March 2023 Request to use the City Hall for Brownie Bingo Fundraiser was received and it was RESOLVED to provide the City Hall for the event free of charge.

242 Donations

- 242.1 Email received 15th February from Cruse Bereavement Support requesting Council contribution towards costs to train bereavement volunteers. (*Item deferred from meeting on Monday 13th March 2023*). **Last donation - £200 given in 2021.** It was RESOLVED to approve a donation of £200 as in previous years.

244 Reports from Members representing the Council:

- 243.1 St Davids Christmas Tree Association. Meeting 19th April.
- 243.2 St Davids Day Celebration Group. Nothing to report.
- 243.3 St Davids Day Centre for the Elderly. Members each received Easter egg and card.
- 243.4 St Davids Peninsula Tourist and Traders Association. New representative required.
- 243.5 Porthclais Harbour Authority. Forthcoming meeting with Car-y-Mor.
- 243.6 St Davids - Matsieng Lesotho Link. Fundraising Coffee Morning in June.
- 243.7 Youth Drop In. Numbers dwindling.
- 243.8 Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi Governor. Successful Prize Evening.
- 243.9 Porthstinian Boat Owners Association. AGM later this month.
- 243.10 Porthmawr Surf Life Saving Club. Nothing to report.
- 243.11 Bws Y Bobol. Issues with bus not being used.

- 243.12 Music and Arts Festivals. Nothing to report.
- 243.13 Re-discovering Ancient Connections. Funding coming to an end after Bishops Palace Event in May.
- 243.14 Coffee and Chat. Increasing numbers each week.
- 243.15 St Davids Befrienders. Nothing to report.
- 243.16 One Voice Wales. Meeting 11th April.
- 243.17 Eco Dewi/Bee Friendly. Big Green Week in June.
- 243.18 Grants Funding Committee. Positive recent meeting 27th March.

244 Accounts

- 244.1 The Responsible Finance Officer reported that the Internal Audit for January 2023 (*Item deferred from meeting on Monday 13th March 23*) had been completed successfully.
- 244.2 The Responsible Finance Officer reported that the Internal Audit for February 2023 had been completed successfully.
- 244.3 The accounts for February 2023 (*Item deferred from meeting on Monday 13th March 23*) were presented by the Responsible Finance Officer and it was RESOLVED to be approved with permission to pay.
- 244.4 The accounts for March 2023 were presented by the Responsible Finance Officer and it was RESOLVED to be approved with permission to pay.

Financial Report	February-23
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Balance @ Bank on	27-Feb-23	£119,819.60
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SA 1972 SEC 137 22/23 £12738		
Last month's donations		£320.00
2022 / 2023	Total	£3,590.00
Balance available		£9,148.00

LGA 1972 Sec 214 Cemetery Maintenance	
Total donated 22/23	£1,400.00

Income

City Hall	£231
Whitesands	£3,475
Office & Administration	£0
Events & Market	£0
St Justinians	£0
Finance	£0
TOTAL	£3,706

Expenditure

City Hall	£1,937
Whitesands	£353
Street Furniture	£0
Office & Administration	£725
Admin Staff Costs	£4,315
Play Area	£0
Events & Market	£3,248
St Justinians	£0
Finance	£320
TOTAL	£10,898

ADDENDUM TO FINANCIAL REPORT TRANSACTIONS £100 PLUS

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City Hall	Whitesands	Street Furniture	Administration	Play Area	Events & Market	St Justinians	Finance
Utilities							
£236 House	£293 Commission				Christmas		£320 donation
£486 Utilities Hall					£3,100 Lights		

Financial Report			March-23	
Balance @ Bank on	27-Mar-23			£125,809.08
LGA 1972 SEC 137 22/23 £12738			LGA 1972 Sec 214 Cemetery Maintenance	
Last month's donations		£1,000.00	Total donated 22/23	£1,400.00
2022 / 2023	Total	£4,590.00		
Balance available		£8,148.00		
Income				
City Hall				£138
Whitesands				£14,111
Office & Administration				£0
Events & Market				£88
St Justinians				£0
Finance				£325
TOTAL				£14,337
Expenditure				
City Hall		£2,836		
Whitesands		£3,111		
Street Furniture		£0		
Office & Administration		£1,558		
Admin Staff Costs		£4,314		
Play Area		£0		
Events & Market		£1,411		
St Justinians		£0		
Finance		£1,000		
TOTAL		£14,230		

Apart from all of the above I help residents as much I can if they have any complaints or concerns and I shall be attending the meeting so please feel free to ask any questions and also pass on any concerns that I might not be aware of.

Kind regards,

County Cllr Bethan Price

Planning: Details of these can be found on the PCC NPA website.

246 NP/23/0131/FUL – Rear single storey extension & loft conversion. 52 Pen Y Garn, St. Davids SA626QY.

RESOLVED – Approved.

AOB

Items for information only:

Whitesands Commercial users parking requisites.

Items for the next agenda:

Requirement for Caretaker Assistant.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed

Date

Chair