

**Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 11th January 2022
on Zoom at 7.00pm.**

PRESENT: Cllrs D.Turner (Chair);A.Willemsen, D.Lyall : J.Ingram: A..Lawrence,
D.Bayliss

Apologies: Cllr L.Watkins

Absent:

Others: County Councillor M. Weale unable through sickness unable to attend

Declarations

of Interest: Cllr A.Lawrence. (Hendy PD/0008/22 2115hrs)

PD/0001/22 Minutes

To authorise the Chairman to sign minutes of the previous meetings of the Council held on the

- 9th November 2021

Resolved to accept: Proposed Cllr Lyall Unanimous

PD/0002/22 Clerk's update:

Included in correspondence, congratulated councilors in achieving a goal set in 2014, speed warning signs erected at Penybont and Llandegly added together with a speed reduction of 60mph-50mph through Llandegly led by and achieved by County Councillor M.Weale.

PD/0003/22 Planning:

- Proposal: Erection of 2 additional poultry units together with 4 no. feed bins, concrete apron, dirty water tank and a drainage attenuation pond
Site Address: Land at Bryn Thomas Poultry Unit, Penybont,
Llandrindod Wells, Powys LD1 5SP

- Erection of 2 additional poultry units together with 4 no. feed bins, concrete apron, dirty water tank and a drainage attenuation pond Site Address: Land at Bryn Thomas

The above applications were considered between meetings. No issues were raised, and no adverse comments made.

PD/0004/22 Community Issues:

Dark Skies – Correspondence from Presteigne Town Council was discussed, and a small sum of money would be allocated towards our participation in this long-term project in Radnorshire.

- **Defibrillator Penybont Community Hall-** A notification has been received from the safety committee of the Penybont Community Hall relating to the defibrillator outside the hall. It is reported not fit for purpose and the cabinet requires replacing. The council accepted responsibility of the equipment and authorised the purchase of a new one and to cover the reasonable cost to affix it.

- **Queens Platinum Jubilee-** June 2nd – 5th will be the official days of celebrations throughout Wales. The council were informed that this will be

marked by the 'Penybont Charity Group' in conjunction with the annual 'Tractor Run' with events at the Dole. Clerk to write to organisers offering support.

PD/0005/22 One Voice Wales

Meeting was attended with Chair/CEO of PCC, members from Planning, Housing and Highways. It is reported to have been a open and frank exchange of questions and answers and reported to have been a valuable meeting.

Council supports a further meeting of Cllr Willemsen with Head of Planning re large planning applications and the effect on community councils.

PD/0006/22 Finance

Geraint Evans	Clerks' annual wages 21-22	£1000
Vision ICT	Annual web charge	£270 inc Vat
Mrs MA Williams	Honoraria for Monument Gardens	£100

VAT to be re-claimed

Proposed Cllr J.Ingram Unanimous

- **Budget** - Councillors are required to set a budget outlining its spending in various categories for the forthcoming financial year. As a general advice to the council, it would be that provided the council has worked out a budget for the forthcoming year, (allowing for ongoing commitments, inflation, and new projects) it would be reasonable to set a precept that it is needed to fulfil those requirements. In doing so, regards should be given to the level of balances of the unallocated reserves that could contribute towards project costs, if that was an appropriate consideration. Each expenditure heading should be considered in isolation, necessary and proportionate.

Account Headings	Budget for 22/23	To be paid from reserves.
Employee costs	£1,000.00	
Administration/Subscriptions	£500.00	
Audit Charges	£350.00	
Community Grants	£0.00	200
Hall Hire	£100.00	
Insurance	£360.00	
Web site administration	£225.00	
Maintenance	£0.00	564
Training	£650.00	
Election Expenses	£1,150.00	
War Memorial	£0.00	100
Councillors Remuneration	£0.00	covered in reserves

Child Care Renumeration	£0.00	covered in reserves
Servicing Defibs		165
Zoom	£119.00	
Speed sign Initiative	£2,500.00	
	£6,954.00	1029

Proposed by Cllr D.Bayliss that PCC be informed the precept for this council will be £6954 Unanimous

- **The matter of public meetings for April 2022 onwards were discussed. The council are not in possession of any equipment and an approximate cost to be in a lawful position could be a further £1000 to the budget. Additionally, there are no facilities for broad band at the community hall. It was felt that with only 6 meeting schedule for the next 12 months it was prudent to continue with zoom at £119 and councillors to seek some form of partnership with the Community Hall.**

- **Grant Applications-Penybont Community Hall, defibrillator dealt with in budget under maintenance.**

- **Building works to improve access for all. Long term project by hall, £200 awarded to assist with initial start-up.**

Appointment of Internal Auditor 21-22: approved Mrs Tracy Price, Presteigne Town Council.

Proposed Cllr A. Lawrance Unanimous

- Appointment of Internal Auditor Mrs Tracy Price
- Deferment of policies for 2022 until 17th May for new council.

PD/0007/22 Public Questions

Mr Hulse raised the issue of the new speed monitors, that perhaps the distance of warnings was too short. The Clerk will contact suppliers to establish if there can be an adjustment.

PD/0008/22 Hendy Wind Farm

- The matter of enforcement issues will be raised by Cllr Willemsen during his meeting with senior planning officers.
- The BOAT remains closed for no apparent reason. The Clerk read the reply from Ms Exton, Rights of Way Officer. It was agreed the matter be raised with her.
- The temporary/alternative footpath/bridle way. Not correctly located, finishes at a barbed wire fence?
- Hedgerow not replaced at Whitegates. Cllr Willemsen to raise matter with PCC

PD/0009/22 Meeting concluded at 9.30pm Next meeting 8th March 2022 at 7pm via Zoom.

DRAFT