

## LLANDRINDOD WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

Remote Business Development Meeting of the Council which will take place on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024, 6.30pm via Zoom**

### MEETING OUTCOMES

**All members and members of the public are requested to turn off their mobile phones whilst the meeting is in session.**

**Present:** Cllr M Morgan, W Curzon, P Smith, Jamie Jones, N Bastow, Jonathan Jones, D Markinson, K Nicholls, S Deeks-D'Silva, L Weerdmeester-Price, S Meredudd

**Apologies:** Cllr S Sims,

1. **Apologies.**
2. **To confirm the Minutes of 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2024**  
The Minutes of the last meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 were approved subject to amendment.
3. **To confirm the Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2024**  
The Minutes of the last meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2024 were approved and signed.
4. **Declaration of Interest:**  
Reminder to members  
(A Personal Interest is also a prejudicial interest because (under the objective, public perception test in Paragraph 12 (1) of the Members' Code of Conduct) it would be regarded as so significant that it is likely to prejudice my judgement of the public interest.) (See code of conduct.) (Forms available from Clerk)  
**None.**
5. **Resolution – Confidential Matters**  
“Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 as there would be disclosure to them of confidential information relating to contractual and personnel content.
6. **Grass Cutting Tenders**
  - a) **Princes Avenue Leisure Park**  
Cllr Jamie Jones had taken advice from the National Association of Councillors on this matter and said that although he does not have a personal or prejudicial interest in this matter he would not be contributing to any discussion and would abstain from the vote.

**Resolved:** to appoint Steve Smith Gardening Services. Cllr Jamie Jones abstained from the vote.

**b) Oxford Road Field**

Cllr Jamie Jones had taken advice from the National Association of Councillors on this matter and said that although he does not have a personal or prejudicial interest in this matter he would not be contributing to any discussion and would abstain from the vote.

**Resolved:** to purchase the identified ride-on mower at £2999 from Tom's Mowers. Cllr Jamie Jones abstained from the vote.

**7. Public Toilets**

**a) Lakeside (Contractual)**

The Clerk had established a source of grant funding and had worked up a grant application for the refurbishment of the Lake Toilets

**Resolved:**

- i. To agree the draft Heads of Terms with the removal of the Repair and Responsibility element and also remove the Insurance requirement from the Town Council. The lease will only come into place if grant funding is obtained.
- ii. Clerk to apply for the grant from Powys County Council with a £5000 contribution from the Town Council.
- iii. No Changing signs to be included on the block.

**b) Station Crescent (Contractual)**

The Clerk reported information on the continual vandalism of this toilet block, which is now becoming difficult to manage.

**Resolved:** Clerk to obtain quotes for the replacement of internal doors and repairs. Also close the toilets for a month, whilst the work is being carried out and publish the reasons why widely. Clerk to discuss camera options with the Police.

**8. D-Day 80 (Contractual)**

**a) Video Diary**

The Council agreed to host a video diary to include local residents.

**Resolved:** to proceed this event led by Cllr Smith. The Clerk will establish costings for the event.

Cllr Nicholls will represent the Town Council on the Legion Committee for D-Day 80 matters

**Resolved:** Cllr Nicholls will represent the Town Council on the Sub Committee

**b) Town Crier Event**

Cllr Deeks-D'Silva had been in contact with the Town Crier regarding The D Day 80 Lamp Light of Peace national event.

Members felt this would be a great event to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and agreed to support Cllr Deeks-D'Silva as project lead and the Town Crier.

Cllr Deeks-D'Silva will provide information for the Clerk to draft a poster for publication.

**Resolved:** to purchase a Hurricane Lamp for this event with members to support this event.

**9. Football Club – 3G Pitch (Contractual)**

The Football Club is looking for funding for the Stage 1 Business Case for the 3G Pitch at an approximate cost of £9000.

The Clerk explained that the Council had already ring-fenced £25,000 for this project and if agreed could allocated £5000 from this budget line.

Cllr Smith felt that the withdrawal of Bute Energy may be a direct result of the Council's works on their proposed projects and felt this was a great win.

**Resolved:** to allocate £5000 from the budget line to support this request.

**10. Annual Report 23/24**

Cllr Weerdmeester-Price did not support stating individual members actions as not all members may have the time or ability to commit so heavily.

**Resolved:** to revisit this matter at a future meeting; members to list their representation from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 until this matter is discussed further.

**Resolved:** to publish the Annual Report

Cllr Deeks-D'Silva abstained from the vote as he had missed part of the discussions.

**11. Oxford Road Field – Dogs (Legal)**

**Resolved:** Clerk to pursue discussions with Environmental Health; establish the level of equipment which is required to designate it a play area and purchase No Dog Fouling Sigs. (Cllr Jamie Jones agreed to display these.)

**12. Pylons & Turbines Meeting (Contractual)**

Lengthy discussions took place on this matter.

Cllr Deeks-D'Silva responded by stating that the Council is here to represent the residents of Llandrindod Wells and he felt members should make a stand and set up a Committee.

The Chair felt that she would be now want to find out more information on the options available.

Some other members felt that further information was needed, particularly regarding the Re-Think group. Cllr Smith agreed to forward this to the Clerk for circulation.

Cllr Deeks-D'Silva proposed to set up a Committee for this project in place of the Task & Finish Group. The Chair requested a recorded vote on the advice of the Clerk:

**Recorded Vote:**

Cllr Bastow	Abstain
Cllr Curzon	Abstain
Cllr Deeks-D'Silva	In Favour
Cllr Jamie Jones	In Favour

Cllr Jonathan Jones	Abstain
Cllr Markinson	In Favour
Cllr Meredudd	In Favour
Cllr Morgan	Abstain
Cllr Nicholls	Abstain
Cllr Smith	Against
Cllr Weerdmeester-Price	Abstain

In view of the voting results, the Chair proposed that this matter be deferred to the meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024 for further information to be received. This was agreed.

In closing, the Chair reminded all present that the contents of this meeting must remain confidential within the Council (refer to BD 30/24.)