

BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

7th November 2022

In accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 and Section 47 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 the **BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** of LLANELLI TOWN COUNCIL was held REMOTELY and at The Old Vicarage, Town Hall Square, Llanelli on Monday, 7th November 2022 at 6.21 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors A.S.J. McPherson (Chair), A.R. Bragoli, A.A. Carter, D.Ll. Darkin (Leader of the Council), S. Greaney, R. James, G.R. Lloyd, B.A.L. Roberts, P.T. Warlow (Town Mayor).

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER: Councillor N.J. Pearce (Deputy Town Mayor).

APOLOGIES: Councillors M.D. Cranham, S.A. Curry, J.R. Elliott, P.T. Warlow (Town Mayor).

67. FINANCIAL REPORTS

(1) BUDGET REVIEW

Consideration was given to the Budget Review report of the Town Clerk (copies having been previously circulated to members).

RESOLVED – that the information be noted and approved.

(2) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

RESOLVED – that the Income and Expenditure report for the period 1st April– 31st October 2022, in the sums of £772,544 and £644,036 respectively, be approved.

(3) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED – that the payment schedule showing cheque payments £0, Direct Debit Nos. 143 - 172 (inclusive) in the sum of £14,639.55, BACS Nos. 103 – 188 in the sum of £17,174.01 and Electronic Payments Nos. 254 – 286 in the sum of £43,211.68 respectively, be approved.

68. COMMUNITY CENTRES

HIRINGS

Consideration was given to the summary schedule of hirings of all community centres during the month of October 2022 (copies having been previously circulated to members).

RESOLVED – that the information be noted.

69. HAVELOCK PARK

Further to Minute No. 30 of the Committee meeting held on 11th July 2022, members received for information notes of an officer meeting held on 19th October 2022, with representatives of Havelock Park Bowls Club (copies having been previously circulated to members).

RESOLVED – that the information be noted.

70. PEOPLE’S PARK

Further to Minute No. 28(2) of the Committee meeting held on 11th July 2022, members received for information notes of an officer meeting held on 28th October 2022, with representatives of Wanderers RFC (copies having been previously circulated to members).

RESOLVED – that the information be noted.

71. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

(1) APPLICATIONS

Councillor B.A.L. Roberts declared a personal interest in application (c) as a member of the Association and as she considered this to be a prejudicial interest withdrew from the meeting prior to the discussion and voting thereon.

Having considered the following applications (copies having been previously circulated to members), it was

RESOLVED as follows: -

- (a) Radio BGM – that a grant of £300 be made;
- (b) Urdd Gobaith Cymru – that the information be noted;
- (c) Seaside Community Association – that a grant of £300 be made.

(2) LETTERS OF THANKS

RESOLVED – that the letters of thanks received from Bro Lliedi Llanelli Benefice, Heirs, Foothold Cymru, Urdd Gobaith Cymru, East Carmarthenshire and Llanelli Indoor Bowls Club be noted with pleasure.

72. MATTER FOR INFORMATION

- (1) Natural Resources Wales – Notice of entry onto Penygaer Playing Fields and Llanerch Field for vegetation management along the River Lliedi.

73. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETING) ACT, 1960

RESOLVED – that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the following matters be considered in private and that the power of exclusion of the public under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 be exercised.

**74. PENYGAER PLAYING FIELDS CHANGING ROOMS
REFURBISHMENT**

Councillor R. James declared a personal interest in this item as he was a member of the Caru Lliedi Group and as he considered this to be a prejudicial interest withdrew from the meeting prior to the discussion and voting thereon.

Further to Minute No. 66 members consider a report prepared by the Town Clerk giving members an update in relation to the possible improvement works at Penygaer Playing Fields Changing Rooms (copies having been previously circulated to members).

The project had been assessed and the Town Council Consultant Quantity Surveyor had costed the suggested works. The anticipated budget figure provided is £285,225. This figure is within the available budget, made up of the Welsh Government Assets Collaboration Programme Wales grant of £250,000 and 2 x maintenance grant received from Carmarthenshire County Council on completion of the asset transfer of £58,902.00.

As a result, it is now proposed to:

- Instruct consultants to provide for the necessary reports;
- Make the necessary planning application for the project;
- Undertake the process of obtaining tenders for the works.

RESOLVED – that the information be noted and that the proposed actions be taken as a matter of urgency.

The Meeting concluded at 6.30 p.m.