

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Finance Committee

Minutes of Meeting

The Old Library, Parish Hall, Britway Road, Dinas Powys
20 November 2018, at 6.30pm

Present:

Cllr V Driscoll (Chair)

Cllr S Thomas

Cllr A Robertson

Cllr E Jenkins

Cllr J Fanshaw

Cllr K Hatton

Cllr S Griffiths

37. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr R Grigg

38. Declaration of Interests:

There were no Declarations of Interest.

39. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2018 were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr. A Robertson and seconded by Cllr. J Fanshaw, it was **RESOLVED - THAT** the Minutes be approved as a true record.

40. Matters Arising from Minutes

Item 32 – Xmas tree outside Tesco

DPCC will check land ownership, obtain permissions and endeavour to install a Christmas tree outside Tesco's next year.

Item 33 – Christmas Window Competition

Judging will take place on Weds 5 December. Judges to meet outside Tesco at 4pm.

Item 35 – Charter Working Group

There is no list of Assets (ref Community Asset Transfer) available, despite discussions already taking place between VOG and users of the Murchfield Bowls Club and the Murch Playing field.

41. Approval of the Financial Position of Council as at 31 October 2018, Cashflow Forecast 2017/18

The financial position as at 31 October 2018 and Cashflow forecast were presented to Committee.

Cllr E Jenkins proposed, seconded by Cllr K Hatton and Committee unanimously **AGREED** to accept of the financial position as at 31 October 2018.

Cllr A Robertson proposed, Cllr K Hatton seconded and Committee unanimously **AGREED** to accept of the Cashflow Forecast for 2018-19

42. Budget 2019-20

Initial work has been undertaken in preparing the budget for the next financial year, in order to assess levels of precept required to meet obligations.

Indicative precept figures have been provided, although final figures are not due until next month. DPCC will need to make a decision on precept requirements in January.

43. Applications for Financial Assistance

There have been no applications for financial assistance.

44. Letters of Thanks

Letters of thanks have been received from the Dinas Powys Art Group and ValePlus.

45. DPCC Grants Policy

A draft of a new Grants Policy was presented to members for consideration. Members requested that the document is expanded to include donations to groups and individuals.

A re-draft Draft is to be brought to the next Finance Committee.

46. Halls Charges

Concerns were raised that some local organisations are not being charged the full rate of hire for the halls. It was explained that bookings made prior to the announcement of increases were honoured – some of which had been in the diary for almost a year (annual events, weddings).

The new pricing structure is fair, transparent and remains competitive. Whilst there is a 50% reduction for local events hire which can demonstrate a community benefit, this needs to be formalised.

It was requested that hire costs of the sound and light equipment is re-visited to address different levels of equipment use.

It was also agreed that a licence for Lee Hall should be applied for.

47. Any items which the Chairman has decided are urgent

There were no urgent matters

48. Any Other Business

a) Scouts request for assistance with storage of equipment during building works
This matter is on the COSAC Committee agenda.

b) Remembrance Day

The commemorations were was extremely well attended. Refreshments after the event were provided this year by the DP Baptist Church, in the Lee Hall, who coped extremely well the unexpectedly large volume of attendees.

c) St David's Day

It was proposed by Cllr S Thomas, seconded by Cllr K Hatton and Committee AGREED to give staff the day off.

d) Budget and Precept Setting

As these are scheduled to be discussed at the next Finance Committee in January and need to be ratified by Full Council within the imposed deadlines, it is proposed that the date of the Full Council meeting is amended to Thursday 17 January.

49. Date of Next Meeting – 15 January 2019

50. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

a) Real Living Wage implications

The RLW has increased recently. Whilst this has implications, the current (NALC) scheme used by DPCC for the next few years focuses on raising the level of the lowest pay grades. It is therefore recommended that the current scheme remains in place.

b) Staff Christmas Bonus

Committee agreed an increase of £10 per person in the Christmas bonus for 2018-19. (Pro-rata for temporary staff)

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