

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Finance Committee

Minutes of Meeting

The Old Library, Parish Hall, Britway Road, Dinas Powys
21 May 2019, at 6.30pm

Present:

Cllr V Driscoll (Chair)
Cllr S Griffiths
Cllr A Robertson
Cllr K Hatton

Cllr E Jenkins
Cllr J Fanshaw
Cllr R Grigg

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr S Thomas

2. Declaration of Interests:

Cllr J Fanshaw declared an interest in an application for Financial Assistance - Item 13 on the Agenda.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2019 were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr. J Fanshaw and seconded by Cllr. A Robertson, it was **RESOLVED - THAT** the Minutes be approved as a true record.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

There were no Matters Arising

5. Acceptance of Terms of Reference

There were no changes to the TOR since the last update in September 2017.
Cllr J Fanshaw proposed, seconded by Cllr R Grigg and unanimously **AGREED** that the Terms of Reference for the Finance and General Purposes Committee were accepted.

6. Banking Arrangements

The following were proposed by Cllr K Hatton. Seconded by Cllr A Roberston and unanimously **AGREED** that:-

Current Account - arrangements to remain unchanged;

Charity Bank (reserve 1) – currently 0.55% interest. Funds to be moved to a 1 year fixed account with the same organisation, which will provide 1.2% rate of interest;
Monmouthshire Building Society (reserve 2) – currently 0.45% interest. Higher interest alternative may be available in the near future. Explore other accounts / institutions which offer a more favourable interest rate with easy access.

7. Chairman's Allowance 2018-19

Final figures show that there is £27.86 unspent from the Chairman's Allowance.
Unanimously **ACCEPTED**.

8. Audit Update

Timetable of key dates for meeting the various deadlines for Audit was presented
Members.

9. Approval of the Financial Position of Council as at 30 April 2019, Cashflow Forecast 2019-20

The financial position as at 30 April 2019 and Cashflow forecast 2019-20 were presented to Committee.

The final out-turn for 2018-19 was also presented to Members.

Cllr A Robertson proposed, seconded by Cllr K Hatton and Committee unanimously **AGREED** to accept of the financial position and Cashflow Forecast as at 30 April 2019.

10. Consultation for the withdrawal of discretionary funding for fare paying school transport services

Members were presented with background papers and a discussion ensued. It was **AGREED** that objections to the proposals be submitted.

11. Election Costs

A response has been received for the VOG regarding the costs to DPCC of local elections, which are now fully re-charged.

This has raised concerns by Members that this may be a form of double taxation on residents, be anti-democratic and have the potential of bankrupting smaller authorities.

Vale Councillors to raise the matter at the next VOG meeting.

12. Staffing Annual Appraisals and Increments

It was unanimously **AGREED** that incremental increases (where applicable) could be actioned on the completion of satisfactory Annual Appraisals.

13. Requests for Financial Assistance

a) Dinas Powys Football Club

Request for funding to finance groundworks. Financial information to support application provided.

Committee **AGREED** that further information was required prior to any commitment.

b) Bobath – Children’s Therapy Centre Wales

Request for donation to keep centre running at current levels

Committee **AGREED** to provide a donation of £100

c) Marie Curie – Cardiff & Vale

Request for donation to continue to provide care and support locally.

Committee **AGREED** to provide a donation of £180

d) Shutter Hire

Recently founded Kids Photography Club requests assistance to enable purchase of DSLR cameras to enable expansion of club and to work with local schools.

Committee **AGREED** to provide a donation of £150

14. Letters of Thanks

Letters of thanks for financial donations received from:-

a) DP Cricket Club

b) Urdd

c) National Eisteddfod

d) DP Art Group

15. Items which the Chairman has decided are urgent

None

16. Any Other Business

None

17. Date of Next Meeting – 23 July 2019

Signature:	Date:
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