

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Annual Meeting

Lee Hall
23 May, at 7.00pm

Minutes of Meeting

Present:

Cllr C Mirza-Davies (Chair)
Cllr Kay Shaw (Vice Chair)
Cllr R Grigg
Cllr C Asbrey
Cllr K Hatton
Cllr A Asbrey
Cllr J Cowpe

Cllr V Driscoll
Cllr C Franks
Cllr M Phillips
Cllr S Griffiths
Cllr J Fanshaw
Cllr D Evans

1. Apologies

Cllr K Hatton
Cllr M Hartrey

Cllr L Stevens

The Chair, Cllr C Mirza-Davies opened the meeting, by thanking Members for making the past year an interesting and enjoyable one. She thanked the staff for all their hard work and the Councillors for all their efforts in striving to make Dinas Powys a better and safer place to live.

Cllr C Franks thanked Cllr C Mirza-Davies for all her hard work and diligence over past year as Chair. He gave special thanks for spearheading the Community Mapping; a significant public engagement exercise, liaising with South Wales Police and for the leading the Community Council through the Replacement Local Development Plan. Cllr C Mirza-Davies' biggest initiatives include setting up the Local Hero Award which created an exciting buzz in the Community, and for commissioning a bespoke Christmas Card with the support of the Dinas Powys Art Group. Cllr C Mirza Davies continues to engage with the local Health Board

Cllr C Mirza-Davies thanked Cllr C Franks. She advised Members that she would like to donate the remainder of the Chair's allowance to Dinas Powys Voluntary Concern, Dinas Powys Library and Activity Centre and the Welsh Epilepsy Centre.

Cllr C Mirza-Davies went on to ask for nominations for the new Chair of Dinas Powys Community Council.

2. Election of Chairman of the Community Council for 2024/25 and signing of Declaration of Acceptance

Cllr V Driscoll proposed Cllr S Griffiths.

Cllr S Griffiths was born in Carmarthen. He is Welsh speaking. He moved to Cardiff in 2012 and has served as a Councillor for Dinas Powys since 2017. He has many hobbies; enjoys music, is heavily involved with CAMRA (Real Ale) and organises the Annual Carmarthen Beer Festival. Cllr S Griffiths is a conscientious Councillor and will hold the position with integrity and honesty and will do the community proud.

The proposal was seconded by Cllr R Grigg and as there were no further nominations, it was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that Cllr S Griffiths takes the Chair.

3. Induction of Chairman (includes signing Declaration of Acceptance)

Cllr S Griffiths **DULY SIGNED** the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Cllr S Griffiths welcomed everyone to the meeting thanked the past Chair for her service to the Council and the Community, and praised her for the initiatives already mentioned. He also thanked Members for their hard work and service to the Community over the past two As Chair, Cllr S Griffiths, aims to continue in the same standard of service and commitment.

4. Election of Vice-Chairman of the Community Council for 2024/25 and signing of the Declaration of Acceptance

Cllr R Grigg nominated Cllr J Cowpe; Cllr C Mirza-Davies seconded. As there were no further nominations, it was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that Cllr J Cowpe takes the position of Vice-Chair.

Cllr J Cowpe **DULY SIGNED** the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

5. Appointment of Members to Serve on Standing Committees

and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that the Members assigned to the various Committees as outlined in the CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL 2024-25 document, circulated to all members is ACCEPTED.

a) Membership to the Standing Committees is as follows:

Finance & General Purposes Committee

Cllrs V Driscoll, Cllr. K. Hatton, J Cowpe, J Fanshaw, C Franks, R Grigg, C Mizra-Davies, M Cowpe.

Planning Committee

Cllrs R Grigg, L Stevens, S Griffiths, D Evans, M Cowpe, M Hartrey, K Shaw, M Phillips.

Halls Committee

Cllrs J Fanshaw, J Cowpe, L Stevens, S Griffiths, C Mizra-Davies, M Hartrey, C Asbrey, A Asbrey.

COSAC Committee

Cllrs A Asbrey, C Asbrey, D Evans, K Hatton, C Franks, K Shaw, V Driscoll, M Phillips.

Management Committee

Chairs of each Committee, plus Chair of Council, plus rep from minority party

No changes were made to Chairs and Vice-Chairs

Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Standing Committees are as follows:

Finance & GP Committee

Chair – Cllr K Hatton

Vice-Chair – Cllr V Driscoll

Planning Committee

Chair – Cllr K Shaw

Vice-Chair – Cllr M Cowpe

Halls Committee

Chair - Cllr J Fanshaw

Vice-Chair – Cllr L Stevens

COSAC & Footpaths Committee

Chair – Cllr A Asbrey

Vice-Chair – Cllr C Franks

Transfer of Assets Committee

Chair – Cllr C Asbrey

Vice Chair – Cllr M Cowpe

b) To Appoint representative to Outside Bodies

It was proposed by Cllr R Grigg seconded by Cllr C Asbrey and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that all representations would remain the same – except for One Voice Wales. Cllr C Asbrey will be replaced by Cllr J Cowpe

One Voice Wales

Cllrs S Griffiths & J Cowpe

Community Liaison Committee (VOG)

Cllr K Hatton

Murchfield Community Association

Cllrs V Driscoll & M Phillips

Michaelston-Le-Pit CC Liaison

Cllr M Cowpe

Board of Governors

Dinas Powys Primary School – Cllr D Evans (Cllr A Asbrey & Cllr K Hatton)

St Andrews' Church in Wales School – Cllr M Cowpe

Ysgol Pen-y-Garth – Cllr R Grigg

6. To Re-confirm Plenary Powers to Planning, Transfer of Assets & Management Committees

It was **AGREED** that Plenary Powers for the Planning, Transfer of Assets and Management Committees are re-confirmed.

7. To Confirm Arrangements for Insurance Cover

The insurance cover in place was **NOTED**.

8. To Approve Councillor Allowances

It was proposed by Cllr R Grigg, seconded by Cllr J Fanshaw and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that:

- The Members Allowance for 2024-25 will be paid to all members.
- That the additional costs of care will be available to all Members to allow them to fulfil their duties.
- It was unanimously **AGREED to reject** the discretionary payments available to members as identified in the IPRW report be **REJECTED**

9. To Consider an Approve Payments of Direct Debits

It was proposed by Cllr R Grigg, seconded by Cllr J Fanshaw and unanimously agreed that the schedule of payments to be made by Direct Debit be **APPROVED**.

10. To Consider the Chairman's Discretionary Allowance for the year 2024/25

Cllr J Fanshaw proposed, Cllr C Asbrey seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that the Chairman's Discretionary Allowance remain unchanged at £2,060.00

11. Acceptance of DPCC Constitution, Standing Orders and Welsh Language Policy (no amendments)

Cllr R Grigg proposed, Cllr J Fanshaw seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** to accept the Constitution, Standing Orders and Welsh Language Policy

12. Re-adoption of Financial Regulations (no amendments)

Cllr V Driscoll proposed, Cllr R Grigg seconded and it was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** to accept the Financial Regulations.

The Full Council (Monthly) Meeting followed the Annual Meeting

Signature: Date: