

ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 12TH OCTOBER 2022 AT 7:09 PM ON MS TEAMS, & IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM, TOWN HALL, ABERGAVENNY.

Present: Cllr P Bowyer (Chair)
Cllr T Konieczny
Cllr D Simcock
Cllr K Eldridge
Cllr C Holland
Cllr M Groucutt
Cllr M Powell
Cllr G Jones
Cllr J George
Cllr A Wilde
Cllr L Wright

Absent without apologies

None.

In attendance:

S Rosser - Town Clerk

No public session

No public in attendance

PR 97/22	Receive and approve apologies for absence Cllrs Barnes, Brocklesby, Burch, Callard, Nicholson and Strong sent apologies, and it was resolved to accept their reasons for absence.
PR 98/22	Receive Declarations of Interest Cllr T Konieczny is a Trustee at Plas Gunter Mansion so will not take part in the vote on item PR102/22. The Town Clerk declared an interest in PR102/22 as she knows the directors of Contemporant Theatre CIC.
PR 99/22	To approve the minutes from 28th September 2022 The minutes from the last meeting were proposed as a true record by Cllr Groucutt, and seconded by Cllr Konieczny, and it was resolved to unanimously approve these as an accurate record.
PR100/22	Finance: To approve month 6 reports.

	<p>The Town Clerk asked Cllrs to be mindful of the two grant applications and drew their attention to the budgets for both the small and large grant pots. Councillors also need to consider that if both grants are approved today this will mean a remaining balance of £1000 in the large grants pot, with £5k of this going to projects for Plas Gunter Mansion in this financial year.</p> <p>It was proposed to accept the reports as true and accurate records by Cllr Holland, and seconded by Cllr Konieczny, and it was resolved by all Councillors to accept and approve these reports.</p>
PR101/22	<p>To receive and consider a grant application from Abergavenny Rhinos FC for £1000 towards the purchase of eight battery powered portable lights</p> <p>The grant application had been circulated to all Councillors for scrutiny. Cllr Groucutt supports the application and highlighted there had been difficult comments online regarding MCc/MonLife support. Plentiful support has been offered over several meetings and they have failed to find a resolution. Abergavenny Rhinos have now acquired funding. They have trained so many children over the years. There is a query over who keeps the lights after they return to the KHS fields once the new facilities open at the school. Proposes that we grant the application. This was seconded by Cllr Powell.</p> <p>Prior to the vote the Town Clerk read out an email which had been received from MonLife stating a full written agreement will be drawn up with Abergavenny Rhinos over the ownership and use of the lights, which ATC will get a copy of. MonLife are match funding whatever ATC decide to award, and will order the lights, and then these will be booked out for use via an online form – all of which has been agreed in principle with the club.</p> <p>It was resolved by all Councillors present to accept this proposal and to grant the award of £1000 towards the cost of the lights.</p>
PR102/22	<p>To receive and consider an application for funding/sponsorship from Contemporant Theatre CIC for a community arts project in conjunction with the Plas Gunter Mansion.</p> <p>The grant application and supporting documents had been circulated to Councillors for scrutiny. Cllr Groucutt explained it is our aim to make Abergavenny a place visitors come to, and this is a unique attraction. Cllr Konieczny reminded Councillors to be mindful of what had been paid already to Plas Gunter Mansion.</p> <p>Cllr Powell proposed granting the full award of £2500, and this was seconded by Cllr Wilde. Cllrs Holland, Simcock, Groucutt, George and Eldridge voted in favour. Cllr Jones voted against. Cllr Konieczny abstained. It was resolved to pass the vote and award the £2500 to Contemporant Theatre CIC for their Sanctuary Theatre Project.</p>
P103/22	<p>To receive reports from Councillors attendance at external bodies which are relevant to this Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abergavenny Eisteddfod – Cllrs Jones and Simcock – next meeting 17th Oct, Cllr Simcock will be attending.

