

ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY 2021 HELD REMOTELY USING MS TEAMS

Present:

Chairman - Cllr T Konieczny (Mayor)
Cllr N Tatam
Cllr M Groucutt
Cllr R Harris
Cllr M Harris
Cllr M Hickman
Cllr S Burch
Cllr D Simcock
Cllr P Simcock
Cllr T Thomas
Cllr F Morgan
Cllr G Jones

Absent without apologies

Cllr L Van de Vyver

In attendance:

J Lee (Town Clerk)

No public session

73/20	Receive and approve apologies for absence Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Davies and Brocklesby
74/20	Receive Declarations of Interest Cllr R Harris is a member of MCC Planning Committee. He took no part in the decision making and voting on planning applications and acted, where required, in a factual advisory capacity.
75/20	Receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 13th January 2021 Resolved unanimously to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 13 th January 2021 as an accurate record.
76/20	To note the Town Clerk's Update The Town Clerk added to the written report as follows:

	<p>Bailey Park Gates – final colour to be decided by MCC Heritage Manager once paint samples are made available. Cllr Thomas continuing discussions with MCC to resolve the ongoing situation regarding the repair of the damaged gate pillar.</p> <p>Resurfacing of hard court area – a further quote has been received. It is still over budget and discussions are ongoing between the Town Clerk and MCC officers regarding how to resolve the shortfall.</p> <p>Resolved to note the report</p>
77/20	<p>Receive and approve the financial reports for Month 10</p> <p>Resolved unanimously to approve the bank reconciliation and income & expenditure reports for Month 10</p>
78/20	<p>Approve the Chairs of Policy & Resources Committee and Environment Committee liaise with MCC regarding the drafting of the partnering agreement for the Town Crew</p> <p>Resolved that Cllr Groucutt & Cllr Konieczny as Chairs of Policy & Resources Committee and Environment Committee respectively liaise with MCC regarding the drafting of the partnering agreement for the Town Crew</p>
79/20	<p>Nominate a Tackling Poverty Champion to attend (and report back from) the MCC Tackling Poverty & Inequality Network meetings and other similar networks</p> <p>Resolved unanimously that Cllr Penny Simcock will be the Tackling Poverty Champion</p>
80/20	<p>Decide if the Town Council should self-nominate to support the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS) Bronze Award</p> <p>Following the signing of the Armed Forces Covenant, the Town Council has been invited to self-nominate to support the Defence ERS</p> <p>Resolved that the Town Council should self-nominate to support the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS) Bronze Award</p>
81/20	<p>Consider the request from MHA (via MCC) to commit to empty to new dog bins by their properties on Old Hereford Road and Ysgurbowen</p> <p>Cllr Groucutt proposed the motion to accept MHAs offer to buy two dog bins with the caveat that MHA fund the first year cost of emptying the bins as the Town Council has not made budget provision and that the Town Council and MHA enter into negotiation to agree a split of the cost of emptying in subsequent years</p> <p>Resolved unanimously to accept the motion proposed above</p>

82/20	<p>To discuss Town Council’s involvement in the marking of the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee in 2022</p> <p>To mark the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee 2022 there will be an additional late May bank holiday and therefore the Steam Rally which falls on this weekend will take place on the Friday & Saturday. Steam Rally organisers have offered to leave some facilities in Bailey Park for the Sunday should the Town Council wish to organisation celebrations.</p> <p>The Town Council could co-ordinate celebrations for the town therefore should this be the case, this needs to be communicated to all organisations in the town at the earliest opportunity so that they may consider joining with the Town Council</p> <p>Resolved unanimously for the Town Council to mark the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee 2022 with appropriate celebrations and for this to be communicated widely.</p>
83/20	<p>Receive and comment on the following planning applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DM/2020/01576 – recommend approval • DM/2020/01842 – recommend approval. A number of councillors voiced concern over the loss of use of an industrial unit • DM/2021/00077 – recommend approval

There being no other business the meeting ended at 7.46pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN DATE