

## ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020 AS A REMOTE MEETING USING MS TEAMS

#### Present:

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

#### Absent without apologies

Cllr Van de Vyver

#### In attendance:

J Lee (Town Clerk)

*The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020 relaxes the statutory requirements to admit public and press to the meetings. As permitted under the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020, public and press were not admitted to this meeting*

11/20	<b>Receive and approve apologies for absence</b>  Apologies were received from Cllrs Hickman & Burch and the reasons given accepted.
12/20	<b>Receive Declarations of Interest</b>  No declarations of interest
13/20	<b>Receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020</b>  Resolved unanimously to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 as an accurate record
14/20	<b>Approve Councillors for the Recruitment Panel</b>  Resolved that the following Councillors will form the Recruitment Panel for the appointment of the part-time Responsible Financial Officer – Cllrs Davies, M Harris, Groucutt, Morgan and Konieczny

15/20	<p><b>Receive and approve the Town Ambassador Programme</b></p> <p>Councillors considered a proposal to run the Town Ambassador programme in Abergavenny for 8 weeks to welcome residents and visitors back to the town. The Town Clerk would be required to provide the local co-ordination and be the point of contact.</p> <p>Resolved to work with GAVO and MCC to manage a Town Ambassador Programme in Abergavenny and that the Town Council will fund the cost of providing clothing and equipment for the volunteers.</p>
	<p>Councillors M Harris and R Harris left the meeting</p>
16/20	<p><b>Approve a way forward on tackling the excessive pigeon feeding at Gabb Square, Baker Street, Abergavenny</b></p> <p>Councillors considered a report setting out the local impact of excessive feeding of pigeons at Gabb Square. Councillors appreciated that this has become a sensitive issue but the significant number of pigeons in this area was having a detrimental impact. The report proposed that ATC supports MCC with permitting the use of its crest on notices, joint press release and letter to residents.</p> <p>Resolved unanimously to support MCC in their action to tackle this issue.</p>
17/20	<p><b>Approve a new budget for publicity</b></p> <p>Resolved unanimously to set up a new budget for publicity and to view £2000 from events budget into the new publicity budget</p>

**There being no other business the meeting ended at 7.48pm**

**APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD**

**CHAIRMAN ..... DATE .....**