### ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE MELVILLE CENTRE, ABERGAVENNY ON WEDNESDAY $4^{\text{TH}}$ SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.00PM

## **Present:**

Cllr T Davies (Chair)

Cllr G Jones

Cllr D Simcock

Cllr P Simcock

Cllr M Harris

Cllr F Morgan

Cllr M Hickman

Cllr T Thomas

Two members of the public

# Absent without apologies

Cllr M Groucutt

#### In attendance:

J Lee (Town Clerk)

## **Public Session**

The issue of the lack of the bus stop by Tesco's was raised. The resident said it is too far to expect people to walk to the bus station or to the bus stop on Brecon Road. The resident was informed that MCC is seeking a resolution as a matter of urgency.

PC 1/19	Receive and approve apologies for absence		
	Apologies were received from Cllr L Van de Vyver and it was resolved to accept the reasons for absence.		
PC 2/19	Receive Declarations of Interest		
	No declarations of interest were given.		
PC 3/19	Elect a Vice Chair		
	Councillor Gethin Jones was elected		
PC 4/19	Receive and approve the minutes from the Projects Committee held on 31st July 2019		

	The Town Clerk explained that during the transition between the former and new committee structure there will be a period of tying up loose ends. The receiving of these minutes was considered appropriate as one action relates to this Committee. The Committee has Executive powers and is therefore able to approve the minutes  Resolved that the minutes were a true and accurate record subject to the correction that the Councillors absent with apologies should read Cllrs Lewis and Groucutt.
PC 5/19	Receive the Committee budget and spend to date  Report was noted
PC 6/19	Prioritise One Action from the Children & Young People and Challenges of Demographic Change Action Plan Tables  Resolved to amend the action tables as follows:  Increase opportunities for young people to have a say in what happens in their town' - Cllr Davies to contact KHS school to request time in an assembly to address pupils regarding Refill Abergavenny and reducing the use of single-use plastic and to liaise with the School Council on this matter and Fairtrade  Public Service Provision accommodates the needs of older people - Town Clerk to contact Action 50+ group to request the opportunity for the Town Council to attend a meeting and Cllr P Simcock to liaise with ABHBT representative re appropriateness of addressing this Committee
PC 7/19	Consider Additional Actions for Inclusion in the Action Tables  Resolved to include mental health services in the action in the Children & Young People priority 'Ensure young people have access to and are offered appropriate counselling services'
PC 8/19	Receive and approve the report for the support of schoolchildren in Abergavenny to attend the Baba Yaga production on 6 <sup>th</sup> November in the Borough Theatre  Resolved to support this event for Y6 from the schools Deri View, Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni, Cantref and OLSM and to vire £500 from the Other Events budget to the Spring/Autumn Events budget
PC9/19	Receive and agree whether to support a performance event in 2020 by the Denmark Street Big Band  Resolved not to progress a performance in Abergavenny from the Denmark Street Big Band

PC10/19	Receive a report from MCC Youth Service on the Summer Activities for 11+ years		
	This agenda item was deferred until the November meeting as the report had not been received		
PC11/19	Receive a verbal update on the Christmas Light Switch On Event		
	Christmas Light Switch On will be Thursday 21st November rather than on a Saturday. A working group has been set up to organise the event.		
	Resolved to vire £250 from the Christmas Lights budget into the event budget		
PC 12/19	Report from County Councillors on relevant matters affecting Abergavenny		
	Nothing to report		
PC 13/19	Items for consideration at the next meeting 6 <sup>th</sup> November		
	Standing items – Action Plan Committee Terms of Reference Christmas Light Switch on Update MCC Youth Service Summer Activities Update		

There being no other business the meeting ended at 8.20pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD	
CHAIRMAN	. DATE