

ABERGAVENTNY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8th JANUARY, 7PM IN THE MELVILLE CENTRE, PENYPOUND, ABERGAVENTNY

Present: Cllr T Davies (Chair)
Cllr G Jones
Cllr D Simcock
Cllr P Simcock
Cllr F Morgan
Cllr M Hickman
Cllr T Thomas
Cllr S Burch (no voting rights)
Cllr M Groucutt

1 member of the public present

In attendance:

J Lee (Town Clerk), David Holman and Mike Moran (for their agenda items)

No public session

PC 29/19	Receive and approve apologies for absence Apologies were received from Cllrs L Van de Vyver and M Harris and it was resolved to accept the reasons for absence.
PC 30/19	Receive Declarations of Interest Cllr Hickman declared a personal interest in the agenda item relating to the twinning proposal as he is a trustee of the Love Zimbabwe charity and take part in the vote.
PC 31/19	Receive a presentation from David Holman on the proposal for Abergavenny to twin with Domboshawa, Zimbabwe David Holman from the Love Zimbabwe charity presented the proposal for Abergavenny to twin with Domboshawa. The proposal covered the common objectives, organisations to be involved and the setting up of a Twinning Association.
PC 32/19	Receive a presentation from Mike Moran on the summer playscheme Mike Moran from MCC provided further details on proposals to apply for WG funding (School Holiday Enrichment Programme) which would enable a healthy breakfast and lunch to be provided as part of the 2020 playscheme. Deri View Primary School is the only eligible school for SHEP funding in Abergavenny. Discussions are also underway with North Monmouthshire community councils

	<p>and Monmouthshire Housing Association regarding their involvement in the playscheme.</p> <p>Through the Town Clerk, Mike Moran will keep Town Councillors updated regarding the success of securing the necessary funding to enable free meals to be provided.</p>
PC 33/19	<p>Receive and approve the minutes from the last meeting held on 6th November 2019</p> <p>Two amendments PC20/19 should read Cllr P Simcock and PC28/19 should read 8th January.</p> <p>With these amendments it was resolved to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record</p>
PC 34/19	<p>Receive the Town Clerk's Update Report</p> <p>Report was noted</p>
PC 35/19	<p>Consider the twinning proposal and make a recommendation to Full Council.</p> <p>Resolved unanimously to recommend to Full Council that Abergavenny formally twins with Domboshawa</p>
PC 36/19	<p>Review the summer playscheme budget allocation in light of the presentation by Mike Moran</p> <p>Resolved that no action required at this time as additional funding being sought from WG and others.</p>
PC 37/19	<p>To consider the content of a Christmas Lights specification</p> <p>Resolved to contact the Abergavenny Chronicle to seek residents' views on future Christmas Lights display, to contact School Councils and for the Town Clerk to set up meetings between Christmas Light companies and the following councillors to enable councillors to understand what lighting products are available.</p> <p>Cllrs Jones, Davies, Morgan, D Simcock.</p>
PC 38/19	<p>Receive and approve financial support to SHIFT project supporting young people with emerging mental health, emotional or wellbeing issues</p> <p>Resolved to invite Project Co-ordinator to the next meeting to provide more information.</p>
PC 39/19	<p>To review the 2019 events and agree 2020 events</p>

	<p>Resolved to organise the following events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family event on the green, Old Barn way • Joint Choir & Borough Band Concert • Year 6 theatre performance • VE75 Street Party
PC 40/19	<p>Receive updates on prioritised actions from the Children & Young People and Challenges of Demographic Change Action Plan Tables</p> <p>Resolved to note the report</p>
PC 41/19	<p>Consider Additional Actions for Inclusion in the Action Tables</p> <p>There was discussion on whether provision of allotments in Abergavenny should be the responsibility of this committee or Environment Committee. Town Clerk was asked to arrange for a presentation on allotments for the next Committee.</p>
PC 42/19	<p>Report from Councillors attending external bodies that are relevant to this Committee</p> <p>None</p>
PC 43/19	<p>Report from County Councillors on relevant matters affecting Abergavenny</p> <p>Cllr Thomas informed the committee that the design and funding for the new bus stop on the A40 is being progressed. Work not expected to commence until early 2020/21.</p> <p>Cllr Groucutt reported that he is represented on the newly formed MCC Climate Emergency Committee. The Committee has not yet met.</p> <p>Cllr Groucutt proposed that the Council sends a letter of condolence to Patrick Hannay following the loss of his partner. All agreed.</p>
PC 44/19	<p>Items for consideration at the next meeting 4th March</p> <p>Standing items – Action Plan Allotments</p>

There being no other business the meeting ended at 8.50pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN **DATE**