**ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 11TH September 2024 AT 20:33 PM ON MS TEAMS & IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM,**

**TOWN HALL, ABERGAVENNY**

**Present:** Cllr P Bowyer (Chair)

Cllr M Barnes (Vice Chair)

Cllr M Brocklesby

Cllr S Burch

Cllr B Callard

Cllr D English

Cllr J George

Cllr M Groucutt

Cllr C Holland

Cllr M Powell

Cllr D Simcock

Cllr A Wilde

Cllr G Wilde

**In attendance**: Jay Shipley – Deputy Principal Officer / Deputy RFO

PC Aled Thompson

Tracy Thomas from Monlife, Communities, Culture and Well-being.

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| **To receive report from Police** | PC Thompson had provided reports outlining crime statistics by ward and by town. July and August shoplifting figures are down; crime figures trending in a similar manner considering all offences. Youths continue to be reported on roofs; of particular concern is Mulberry House as it is unsafe for officers and public to enter. Builder has been contacted to make safe. Increasing Anti-social behaviour issues in Fairfield car park between midnight and 1:00 AM. Police addressing this issue. Police receiving reports of XL bullies although few of these reports are about the dangerous breed concerned. When identified unlicensed dogs are removed by the police. There is a rise in homeless individuals and warnings have been issued. There will be extra personnel on duty during the food festival and when the fair next arrives. |
| **FC32 /24** | **Apologies for Absence received from:**  Cllr K Eldridge, Cllr G Jones, Cllr B Nicholson, Cllr L Wright. It was resolved to accept their apologies for absence. |
| **FC33/24** | **Declarations of interest for items on the agenda**  Cllrs Burch and Powell MCC Planning Committee |
| **FC 34/24** | **To receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 12th June 2024**  Cllr A. Wilde proposed the minutes of the last meeting as a true and accurate record seconded by Cllr Bowyer. Resolved by all Councillors to accept this proposal. |
| **FC 35/24** | **To receive a presentation from Tracey Thomas of MonLife on the attractions in Abergavenny**.  Presentation well received. Councillors pleased to have a report which was enlightening and of high interest in the work of MCC to support the principles of maintaining the prestigious buildings that we are custodians for. The presentation gave a brief overview of Monlife’s work in the county then focused on the activities using facilities housed by the Town Hall; Theatre/Market/Library/TIC/Hub/spaces let for meetings and events and home to Town Council. The followed a lively question and answer session. |
| **FC 36/24** | **To consider a report on suggestions for marking 125 years of the council**.  Deferred |
| **FC 37/24** | **To receive reports from Councillors attendance at external bodies which are relevant to Full Council:**   * Armed Forces Champion: Cllr M Powell. Armed Forces luncheon well attended. New Standard and new branded gazebo on show. * Governor of Cantref School: Cllr B Callard - no report * Governor of Our Lady & St Michael School: Cllr K Eldridge - no report. * Governor of Ysgol Y Fenni: no report – Estyn Inspection imminent. * King Henry VIII 3-19: Cllr Groucutt reported that the 3-19 school should open in April 2025 – there will not be an ATC Community Governor. |
| **FC 38/24** | **To receive reports from County Councillors on matters affecting Abergavenny relevant to Full Council.**  Nothing further to report. |
| **FC 39/24** | **To consider the following planning applications:**  DM/2024/01057 Unanimously approved.  DM/2024/01066 Concern raised over the colour of the paint as it would not blend with character of the community. Support for the online comment. Planning of the build approved. Cllr A Wilde proposed acceptance of planning with conditions. Unanimously approved.  DM/2024/01065 Unanimously approved.  DM/2024/01016 Unanimously approved. |
| **FC 40/24** | **To consider items for the agenda of the next Full Council Meeting to be held on 11th September 2024.**  Request update on Placemaking.  Progress with Disability Access - Promobility |

**Meeting ended 20:44pm**

**APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD**

**CHAIR …………………………………DATE ……………………………**