

## ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024 AT 7:00PM ON MS TEAMS & IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM, TOWN HALL, ABERGAVENNY.

**Present:** Cllr P Bowyer (Chair)  
Cllr M Barnes (Vice Chair)  
Cllr S Burch  
Cllr Callard  
Cllr Groucutt  
Cllr C Holland  
Cllr G Jones  
Cllr M Powell  
Cllr D Simcock  
Cllr A Wilde  
Cllr G Wilde

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

PR 62/24	<b>Receive and approve apologies for absence.</b> Apologies were received from Cllr Brocklesby, Cllr K Eldridge, Cllr D English, Cllr Nicholson, Cllr J George and Cllr L Wright. It was resolved to accept their reasons for absence.
PR 63/24	<b>Receive Declarations of Interest for items on the agenda.</b> Cllr Burch and Cllr Powell – Planning
PR 64/24	<b>To approve the minutes from 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024.</b> Cllr Holland proposed the minutes from the meeting on 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 be accepted as a true and accurate record seconded by Cllr G Wilde. Resolved by all Councillors to accept this proposal.
PR 65/24	<b>Finance:</b> Proposal from Cllr Holland, Seconded by Cllr G Wilde to accept accounts. Resolved by all Cllrs to accept the proposal. (a) To receive Month 1 Reconciliation Report – reports look clearer – update to software. (b) Month 1 cashbook report received (c) Month 1 bank statements received – all balanced. (d) Deputy Principal Officer report update on the changing of bank to other providers noted. CCLA Investment Manager

	<p>will be visiting July 18<sup>th</sup> 2024 to speak present and take questions. Council can deliberate on the Awayday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024 (ii) Monmouthshire Building Society no longer taking new business. (iii) Nationwide current no business banking capacity. (iv) Mayor's Account – recommend no change as current provider has resolved banking issue. (v) Proposal by Cllr Nicholson seconded by Cllr Callard that further enquiries are made regarding the current placement of funding as to whether or not the community benefits. Resolved by all Cllrs to accept the proposal.</p>
PR66/24	<p><b>To receive and note the Principal Officer's update.</b>  Received and noted. Interim audit 2023/24 completed with no major concerns. Confirmation that we are doing everything right. Cllrs Jones and Holland proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr Bowyer and the Principal Officer for their work.</p> <p>Cllr G Wilde proposed we accept the auditor's report. Seconded Cllr Jones. Resolved by all Cllrs to accept the proposal.</p> <p><b>Smart Town Conference 2 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>  Abergavenny represented on the podium by the Deputy Principal Officer. Very positive feedback by the Smart Town Team who wish to host a conference in Abergavenny.</p> <p>Cllr A Wilde proposed a vote of thanks to the Principal Officer, Deputy Principal Officer and Admin Officer for their work for D-Day celebrations.</p>
PR 67/24	<p>To consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) WAR MEMORIAL restoration. Still needs restoration project approved.</li> <li>(ii) Commemorating 125<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary. 26<sup>th</sup> August Bailey Park will host a celebration with bands and choirs.</li> </ul>
PR 68/24	<p><b>To receive and approve the updated Strategy and Action Plan.</b></p> <p>Updates: we are actively supporting Community Centres  Noted by Cllr Barnes eg Grant to Llanwenarth Village Hall.</p>



PR 69/24	<b>To receive reports from Councillors attendance at external bodies which are relevant to this Committee:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Borough Theatre MCC / ATC Collaboration – Cllr Groucutt - No report.</li> <li>• Melville CftA CIC Board – Cllrs Barnes and Eldridge no report</li> <li>• One Voice Wales: Cllrs Simcock and Bowyer. No report.</li> <li>• Abergavenny Citizens Advice Bureau – Cllr A Wilde and Cllr Eldridge - no meeting to report.</li> </ul>
PR 70/24	<b>To receive reports from County Councillors on matters affecting Abergavenny relevant to Policy and Resources Committee.</b> No report in Pre-election period. NB consultation regarding school transport costs likely to be launched post-election.
PR 71/24	<b>To consider items for the next meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024.</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. WAR MEMORIAL restoration.</li> <li>2. To discuss suggestions and ideas which can be considered to mark the 125<sup>th</sup> year.</li> </ol>

**Meeting ended 19:54 pm**

**APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD**

**CHAIR** ..... **DATE** 10/7/24 .....

