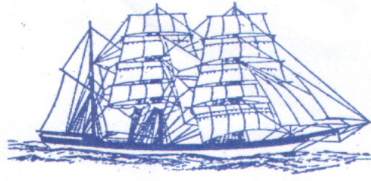


CYNGOR TREF PORTHMADOG



FINANCE AND GENERAL OBJECTIVES COMMITTEE In Y Ganolfan at 19.00 on Tuesday April 29 2025

MINUTES

In attendance :- Councillors :- Aled Griffith(Chairman) ; Jeremy Davies; Carol Hayes; Glenda Murray; Michael Roberts; Karen Owens
Marian Roberts (Clerk); Elfyn Lewis (newly appointed Clerk)

Absent:- Councillors:- Trefor Jones; Dr Melfyn Edwards; Llywelyn Rhys

C1.4.25 ApologiesCouncillors:- Alwyn Gruffydd; Gwilym Jones

C2.4.25 Audit the accounts. (Balance sheet up to March 31 2025 attached) ready for Internal Auditor.

- **Approve and sign Annual Return 2024-2025**

Decision :- to accept and approve the Annual Return as proposed by Cllr Michael Roberts, Cllr Carol Hayes seconding. Signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.

- **Approve and sign Asset register**

The Clerk explained that the Town Council's total assets had increased by £40,000 due to Howard Bowcott's artwork.

Decision :- to accept and approve the Asset List as proposed by Cllr Michael Roberts, Cllr Jeremy Davies seconding.

- **Approve Balance Sheet 31.3.25**

The Clerk showed how the categories of the Cash Book and the Excel spreadsheet corresponded to the categories on the Balance Sheet. Spreadsheet 3 was shown which is a comparison between 2023 expenditure and 2024 expenditure and it was noted that any significant difference must be explained in the Annual Return. She also showed the Parks and Open Spaces expenditure spreadsheet to explain how this expenditure was significantly higher than that of previous years.

Decision :- to accept and approve the Balance Sheet as proposed by Cllr Jeremy Davies, Cllr Glenda Murray seconding.

C3.4.25 Decide on Attendance Allowance (See Statement of Payments attached)

The Clerk explained that paying Attendance Allowance for 10 Councillors would cost £4,500 per year.

Decision :- the Councillors and the Clerk to enquire what is happening in other Councils and discuss the matter once again at the May meeting.

C4.4.25 Clerk's salary . (Statutory matter to be discussed annually)

See NALC document attached

Present rate :- scale 27 - £19.20 per hour.

24 hours a week contract

(The new Clerk will begin on scale 22 - £16.93 per hour from 1.6.25

24 hours a week contract)

Decision :- to receive and approve the information

C5.4.25 Bills to be paid - expected expenditure

The following payment was approved :-

1	ONE VOICE WALES	New Councillor Induction Jeremy Davies 7.4.25	£21.00
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C6.4.25 Planning Applications

(a) Rhif Cais / Application No.: C25/0299/44/CR (emailed on 16.4.25)

Lleoliad / Location: Tafarn Pencei, Pencei Public House, Brig Y Don, 17 - 18 Pen Y Cei, Porthmadog, Gwynedd, LL49 9AT

Bwriad / Proposal: Addasiadau mewnol ac amnewid y ffenestr gromen cefn efo un newydd a gosod canopi / Internal alterations and replace rear dormer window to rear with new one and erect Canopy

Decision :- to oppose the application for the following reasons:-

- it is over-development
- It creates noise pollution
- It causes light pollution
- it can cause anti-social behaviour
- It disturbs nearby residents

according to the proposal of Cllr Jeremy Davies, Cllr Glenda Murray seconding.

C7.4.25 Christmas 2025 arrangements

The Clerk explained that R.J.Electrics confirmed that placing Christmas trees above every shop on the High Street was not an option. She showed a picture of the Dolgellau Christmas "tree".

R.J.Electrics had installed this and the Clerk had asked about the price of a similar "tree" for the Park but was waiting for an answer.

Decision :- the Clerk to ask R.J.Electrics for the price of similar lights for Tremadog, Morfa Bychan and Borth y Gest by the 13.5.25 meeting as proposed by Cllr Glenda Murray, Cllr Karena Owens seconding.

The meeting ended at 20.15

Marian Roberts

(Clerk)
30.4.25