

Cyngor Tref Caereinion Llanfair Llanfair Caereinion Town Council

MINUTES

of a meeting of the Full Council held on
Monday 10th January 2022 at 7pm
by Zoom due to Covid 19 restrictions

Present were

Cllr Wyn Williams

Cllr Ian Davies

Cllr Hazel Davies

Cllr Richard Derricutt

Cllr Viola Evans

Cllr Ceri Stephens

In attendance: Robert Robinson Town Clerk

Apologies were received from

Cllr R Astley, Cllr C Evans, Cllr U Griffiths, Cllr G Jones, Cllr G Peate and
Cllr K Roberts.

114. Welcome by the Chair

The meeting received a welcome from the Chair.

115. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

116. Public Question Time and Participation

There were no members of the public present.

117. Minutes of the last meeting

The meeting considered and approved the minutes of the last Meeting held on
Monday 12th December 2021.

Proposed by Cllr Ian Davies: Seconded by Cllr Richard Derricutt : The vote was
unanimous.

118. Grant Aid

The meeting noted the following grants awarded in December 2021:

118.1 Playground

A further grant of £15,000 has been awarded for play equipment at Glanyafron.
This gives total funding for the project of £35,000 made up as follows:

Awards for all Wales	£10,000	
PCC	£15,000	
Town Council funds	£10,000	Total £35,000.

The Town Clerk has approached four companies for designs and quotes for a new
playground. These will be available for the Council to consider on 24th January. The
Town Clerk will also consult the children at the Junior School to gain their views for
the Council to consider.

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118.2 Tourism & Regeneration

The Tourism and Re-generation grant aid via Arwain has been approved in the sum of £7,000.

The project comprises the following:

- a) New maps with services adverts around them for locations at the WLLR, Bowling Club, Market Square and by the High Street phone box
- b) Three flagpoles along the main street behind the churchyard wall.
- c) Q Codes with video links at each board.
- d) Planning for Real session for the public to take part in a regeneration plan. (Invited residents and businesses from the Community).
- e) A consultant to advise on content and delivery.
- f) Booklets in both Welsh and English to guide people from the WLLR to the town.

Funding for the project is made up of:

Grant aid	£7,000
Volunteer time	£700
Town Council contribution	£1,000
Total funds	£8,700

Objective:

The objective is to ensure information and clear maps are available leading to the Town Centre. The Steam Railway has changed its timetabling to create some 75% of its passenger journeys starting from Llanfair Caereinion (previously this was Welshpool). This gives more time for people to visit Llanfair and help support local business with increased footfall.

The Town Clerk will keep Councillors informed as the project progressing with particular reference to artwork and public meeting attendees.

The meeting **AGREED** to proceed with the project as outlined above.

Proposed by Cllr Ceri Stephens: Seconded by Cllr Richard Derricutt : The vote was unanimous.

119. VAT

The meeting noted that to the grant aid gained and an increase in project spending the VAT reclaim programme needs to be addressed. Advice has been taken through research and confirmation from Cadwallader's Accountants. (copy on file)

The general limits are a reclaim of £7,500pa and if it is more then no VAT can be reclaimed.

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In special circumstances (such as we have now) you can average the VAT reclaim over 7 years taking 5 in the past, the current year and one estimated being next year.

From the information the Town Clerk can find on file the VAT reclaim average that would apply is set out at appendix A.

The amounts to be reclaimed are in line with the 7 year average and Town Clerk sees no reason to doubt that the VAT can be reclaimed.

120. Consultations

To note that the grant for Tourism requires community involvement as to how keep the sustainable into the future. This can be by way of public meeting (invitees only). The subject of ideas for the Queens Jubilee can be incorporated into that. The meetings will be held by Zoom due to the current Covid 19 restrictions.

The Town Clerk will issue a list of attendees for comment, additions etc to Councillors before invites go out.

These meetings will be held in January 2022.

Proposed by Cllr Ceri Stephens: Seconded by Cllr Ian Davies : The vote was unanimous.

121. Precept

The Councillors were updated on the Bad D multiplier which has increased from £705 to £802. This means that the current approved precept of £42,000 will see a light decrease in Council Tax for the forthcoming year.

The Council **RESOLVED** to remain with a 2.7% increase which creates an increase in income of £4,000 to £44,000.

Proposed by Cllr Ceri Stephens Seconded by Cllr Richard Derricutt . The vote was unanimous.

122. Dates of meetings in January 2022

To note the date of the next Full Council - Monday 24th January 2022 at 7pm – Full Council Meeting. The decision how whether the meeting will be by Zoom or in person will be taken over the next week.

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