

PEN-Y-FFORDD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Meeting held in the War Memorial Institute on Wednesday 12th December 2018

Present: Councillors Mr A Wight (Committee Chairman), Mr J Priddin (Chairman of the Council), Ms C Hinds, Mr D Walker, Mrs M Jones, Mr R Bestwick, Mr D Williams, Mr R Wakelam, Mr M Rothero, Mrs P Ransome, Dr J Smith-Bellis and Mr P Blackman

Absent:

In attendance: Mrs S Hughes, Clerk & RFO to the Council
Mr Robert Dewey – Flintshire County Council, Standards Committee

232. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs E Davies.

233. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

234. Minutes of the meeting held 28th November 2018

RESOLVED: these were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

235. Matters Arising

Min 239 – the Clerk advised that she has not yet had the opportunity to explore options for a payroll back up procedure.

236. Penyffordd War Memorial Refurbishment Project (Section 106 Agreement)

Cllr Wakelam reported that a roofing contractor has been to assess the roof of the institute. The verbal report was that the roof is in a good and stable condition, there will be minimal repair works needed, such as ridge tiles and the occasional replacement tile. A quote will be provided imminently.

**Cllr Rothero arrived at 6.45pm

Cllr Wight advised that there had been a meeting last week with committee members, architects and building contractors. It is predicted at this early stage that the proposed work will be well within budget. The building professionals have offered to work closely and support the institute and council through the whole build process.

RESOLVED: the above report was received and noted.

237. Bank Balances

Bank Balances as at 12th December 2018				Current	£10,675.72
				Deposit	£98,176.61
				Play Area	£21,044.33
Payments Received	04/12/2018	HSBC	Interest		£114.66
Unpresented Cheques	102171	Flintshire CC	Planning App Fee		£50.00

RESOLVED: the above be received and noted.

238. Accounts for Payment

To authorise the following accounts for payment:

Payee	Details	Amount
Penyffordd Tennis Club	Grant	£200.00
War Memorial Institute	Grant	£4,000.00
Bonfire Committee	Grant	£450.00

Penyffordd Run Club	Grant	£200.00
Penyffordd Beaver Scout Colony	Grant	£200.00
Penyffordd Cub Scout Pack	Grant	£200.00
Pontblyddyn Cricket Club	Grant	£200.00
Trinity Chapel	Grant	£200.00
Penyffordd Explorer Scout Unit	Grant	£200.00
Penyffordd Bowling Club	Grant	£250.00
St John's Church	Grant	£300.00
Penyffordd Brownies	Grant	£200.00
Penyffordd Scout Troop	Grant	£200.00
Penyffordd Flower Club	Grant	£100.00
Friends of Penyffordd School	Grant	£100.00
Citizens Advice (Flintshire)	Grant	£275.00
Cascade Productions	Annual Website Hosting	£216.00
Flintshire County Council	Electricity Charges - Sept 2018	£46.86
Staff Cost	Nov-18	£1,234.25
Mrs S Hughes	Stationery, General Admin etc	£35.72

RESOLVED: The above accounts be processed for payment and was signed by the Chairman of Council and/or the Chairman of Finance. Payments were also countersigned by two bank signatories.

239. Members Items (AOB)

- Cllr Wakelam reported that there is damage (crack) to the clock face on the millennium clock. It was questioned whether in fact this could have been the result of the car accident. The Clerk advised that the annual service of the clock usually takes place January/February each year. Cllr Wight proposed to request for the annual service to be brought forward and to also request that Smith's of Derby undertake an assessment of the damage and estimated repair costs.

RESOLVED: the Clerk will contact Smiths of Derby to request the annual service be brought forward to as soon as possible. She will also request for an assessment of the damage and repairs, together with a report of whether this damage could have been a result of the car accident.

- Cllr Williams provided a brief report on the FCC Budget. This is an ongoing process and since securing more money from Welsh Government that they been able to reduce the funding gap. Although it has not yet been agreed, it has currently been reduced from a potential 15% increase to 9%, FCC are continuing to look at this in the aim to reduce further. Both Cllrs Williams and Hinds both stressed the importance of people participating and completing the 'Back The Ask' campaign. Also write to your local AM & MP as more funding is needed for the county. FCC have called for a special meeting with AM's.

Cllr Hinds reported that questions have been raised as to whether all the costs involved with FCC relocating to St David's Park, Ewloe are appropriate. She also advised that once the move is complete there is potential for FCC to sell the land at County Hall.

Cllr Williams will circulate by email details of Back the Ask campaign and the presentation slides from the FCC meeting.

RESOLVED: the above report was received and noted. Cllr Williams will circulate by email details of Back the Ask campaign and the presentation slides from the FCC meeting.

The finance and ordinary meetings were closed at 9.00pm

Chair..... 9th January 2019