



MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 4th JANUARY 2024

Present:

Councillors:

Linda Subacchi (Chairman),
R Alun Jenkins,
Andrew Ranger,
Philip Wynn

Barbara Lloyd (Vice Chair),
Alex Jones,
Sarah Roberts,

Christine Griffiths,
Angela Jones,
Jim Steele,

Also in attendance:

Lee Jakeman – locum Clerk
Katie Jeffries – Locum RFO

Absent:

Councillors: Steven Vale and John Williams.

225. **Apologies**

The following apologies were noted:

Councillors: David Jones; John Ramm: Graham Rogers; Keith Williams and Graham Wynn

226 **To make Declarations of interest.**

Councillor Steele declared an interest in Agenda item 6 (CCTV)

227 **Previous Minutes**

- i. **RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd November 2023**
(Subject to an amendment to minute 20, to correctly record Cllr Ranger abstaining from the vote).
- ii. **RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2023.**
- iii. **RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 15th November 2023.**

228 **CCTV**

(Clerk's Note: Cllr Steele departed the meeting)

Members considered correspondence from WCBC requesting funding from Offa Community Council towards 14 CCTV cameras currently operated by WCBC (£1,500 per annum per camera) total cost £21,000.

RESOLVED: To not consider providing any contribution to WCBC in relation to the request for funding of WCBC CCTV.

(Clerk's Note: Cllr Steele returned to the meeting)

229 **Locum Services**

RESOLVED: To Accept the quote from Local Government Resources Centre (LGRC) for the provision of Locum Services (until a permanent Clerk can be recruited)

230 **Access To Luke O'Connor House (LOCH)**

Members considered options for access to multiple users of LOCH following installation of new/ replacement windows and doors including: the cutting of many sets of keys, an external key safe and fob/ digital key pad access. Members asked that Clerk consider options and provide a recommendation to Council at a future meeting.

231 **Insurance**

Members considered a quote for the Council's Insurance Policy and the policy schedule for the period 31st January 2024 to 30th January 2025.

RESOLVED: To accept the quote from Zurich Municipal of £5,681.63 to insure the Council for the period 31st January 2024 to 30th January 2025.

232 **Schedule of Payments**

RESOLVED: To approve the following list of payments: Inclusive of VAT 01.11.23 – 31.12.23

Payments made in November and December not including salary and associated costs

Sage Payroll Licence (Monthly)	£21.79 x 2
Wrexham County Borough Council (Monthly)	£284.00 x 2
Corona Energy	£51.27 x 2
Wrexham Events	£3600.00
Wrexham Lager Club Pensioners Party	£825.00
BT Approximately (monthly)	£300 x 2
EDF Energy	£267.09 x 2
Vodafone	£37.50 x 2
	TOTAL
	£6,348.30

Payments requiring authorisation

AJ Domestic October & November Maesgwyn	£306.00
AJ Domestic October & November Parciau	£306.00
AJ Domestic November & December Maesgwyn	£306.00
AJ Domestic November & December Parciau	£306.00
Vision ICT Limited (Website 1 Year)	£232.20
Rhos Community Council (Awaiting Invoice) Float xmas	£160.00
Caia Park Advice Service April 2023 to September 2023 £3471.50 Wrexham Council replace broken swing Bryn Offa Playground £78.50	
Derwen Computers Office 365	£24.72
Derwen Computers Office 365 £5.88 Helen McCarthy November & December Toilet Seat, Chocolates Float & Choir £114.22	
Marie Ruscoe Expenses November Phone & Mileage	£37.24
SLCC membership (Yearly)	£206.00
LGRC Locum (1)	£319.44
LGRC Locum (2)	£588.27
TOTAL	£6,481.97

233 Budget and Precept 2024/25

Members received a draft budget with net expenditure of £285,876. Members reviewed the budget line by line and recommended a number of changes including:

- Removal of:
 - o £10,000 for Grant Donations -
- Additional:
 - o £5,000 for tree works
 - o £20,000 contingency for Parciau Community Centre
 - o £500 for staff training
- Reducing repairs and maintenance budget for Maesgwyn CC from £20,000 to £500.

(Note: at 9pm members **RESOLVED: To suspend standing orders and extend the meeting beyond 2 hours to conclude the items remaining on the agenda.**)

Meeting closed: 21.45