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TOWN HALL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of the Town Hall Committee Meeting Held in the Council Chamber and remotely via Microsoft Teams Tuesday, 4th June 2024 at 1900hrs

Present in the Council Chamber:

- Cllr Alec Trousdell
- Cllr Geraint Baty
- Cllr Gwen Baty
- Cllr Heather Weddell
- Cllr Malcolm Wilson
- Town Clerk Cathy Kennedy
- Deputy Town Clerk Clair Davis

Remote Attendees: None

Committee Members:

- Cllr Heather Weddell (ex officio)
- Cllr Geraint Baty (ex officio)
- Cllr Gwen Baty
- Cllr Alec Trousdell
- Cllr John Andrew
- Cllr Malcolm Wilson

Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllr John Andrew.

1/TH2024 CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE:

Councillor Malcolm Wilson nominated Councillor John Andrew, seconded by Councillor Heather Weddell. The subsequent vote was unanimous in favour.

RESOLVED: Councillor John Andrew will chair the Town Hall Committee meetings for the mayoral year 2024/25.

2/TH2024 DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE:

Councillor Heather Weddell nominated Councillor Malcolm Wilson to serve as deputy chair for the mayoral year 2024/25, seconded by Councillor Geraint Baty. The subsequent vote was unanimous in favour.

RESOLVED: Councillor Malcolm Wilson will serve as deputy chair of the Town Hall Committee for the mayoral year 2024/25. Councillor Wilson accepted the role and agreed to chair the remainder of the meeting in Cllr Andrew's absence.

3/TH2024 TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED: The Committee's Terms of Reference were approved for the mayoral year 2024/25, with the addition that the committee be responsible for overseeing the marketing of the town hall and recommending an annual budget to the full council.

4/TH2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.

5/TH2024 MINUTES

RESOLVED: The minutes from the meeting held on the 9th of April 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record.

6/TH2024 MATTERS ARISING The report on the booking procedure requested during the meeting held on the 6th of February 2024 was deferred to the next committee meeting.

7/TH2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLVED: The Financial Report ending 31st May 2024 was approved.

8/TH2024 TOWN HALL REFURBISHMENT TASK & FINISH GROUP

RESOLVED: The Terms of Reference were approved.

An update from a meeting of the working group was received: Discussion centred around the vision for the Town Hall, ranging from essential works to a comprehensive refurbishment. Financial considerations spanned from approximately £125,000 for frontage enhancements to around £400,000 for a complete overhaul, incorporating urgent works highlighted in the Hiraeth report. No definitive decision was reached, with further dialogue necessary to identify funding avenues, including grants and potential borrowing. Matt Jones committed to exploring grant opportunities with Phil Chapple, particularly for frontage enhancements akin to the Old Hall scheme. Suggestions were made to consider Community Development S106 funds for enhancements along with grants from Cadw, Lottery, and other awarding organisations. Cllr John Andrew presented an analysis of the Hiraeth report and frontage costs, proposing a multi-phase approach. Discussion ensued regarding a second Hiraeth invoice, highlighting the need for budgetary approvals. Matt Jones was tasked with further discussions with the Vale regarding grants for frontage works, with a pending decision on the scope of identified works.

14/TH2024 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2nd July 20224