



COITY HIGHER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, HEOL WEST PLAS, LITCHARD CROSS, BRIDGEND ON THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2017 AT 7.00 PM

Present: Councillors A Wathan (Chair)

D Barrington
A Dodd
C Evans
C Jones
A Hughes
L Richards
C Walburn
M J Williams

Apologies: Councillors A Davies and R Young

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO
Mr P Ley, Asst. Clerk & FO

98 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following interests were declared:

Councillor	Item	Minute	Interest	Speak/Vote
Mr A Dodd	Coity Village Association	99 (2)	Member	Yes/No

99 **FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED:

1.Payment of Cheques and Budget Monitoring, Accounts & Budgets

Authority was requested for the payments of the cheques listed in this month's papers and this was agreed.

That the budget monitoring report for November including the balances and budget for 2017/2018 be accepted. The bank account balances as at 1st October was £74,665.43

2.Financial Request

A request from Coity Village Association had been received for a contribution towards the annual Christmas Coity Seniors Christmas Lunch for 57 people.

Resolved: All information was noted and authority was given to make the payments listed on the report. It was agreed to donate £5.50 per head towards the Coity Seniors Christmas Lunch, a total of £313.15. It was agreed to review this donation in advance of a request next year.

100 **TO DISCUSS AND DETERMINE THE 2018/19 PRECEPT REQUIREMENT**

The Clerk had distributed a list of the Band D Council Tax Charges by Community Council Area for 2017/18 for information for Councillors, plus a proposed Precept Budget for 2018/19 which the Finance Committee were recommending for approval.

Councillor M Williams, Chair of the Finance Committee, had produced a document to accompany the proposed Precept Budget and took Members through the process behind drafting the proposal and the reasons for requesting a precept increase. Councillor Williams had split the commentary into 3 categories, Running Costs, Services and Projects. Each budget heading was then considered and discussed and a proposal was made by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor D Barrington to agree the proposed £110,150 budget for 2018/19.

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It was suggested that the Community Council considers public consultation for future priorities for 2019 and beyond.

Resolved: The Clerk was asked to request a Precept of £88,000 for 2018/19 from BCBC. The difference in the budget total and the precept request of £22,150, would be made up from the general reserve.

101 DATE & VENUE FOR THE JANUARY ORDINARY MEETING

Thursday, 11th January 2018 at 7.00 pm at Coity Higher Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm