



Fishguard & Goodwick Town Council
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Dear Council Member,

The **MINUTES** of the Full Council meeting
of the Fishguard and Goodwick Town Council held at 7:00pm on Tuesday 7th March 2023.
The meeting was held in the Town Hall meeting room and was multilocational.

Cllr. McCarney was in the Chair

Clerk: ...*Rachel Thomson*
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Minutes

PUBLIC SESSION - CLLR. McCARNEY

Before Town Council business commences, the public session offers members of the public, the opportunity to **comment on items on this agenda, or to bring concerns to the Council**. Members of the public will be limited to three minutes for their comments or question. Members of the public can liaise with their local Town and County Councillors at any time, not just at meetings.

Joanne Hobson PAVS: Gave a short update on the work of Preseli Cares project in Newport and Crymych. Presentation available on request from Town Clerk.

Public present.

On the evening:

Superintendent Craig Templeton from Dyfed Powys Police attended to introduce himself to the Town Council and took questions, accompanied by PCSO Carwyn Phillips.

County councillors present.

On the evening: Cllr Gwynn and Cllr Ryan (online)

STANDING ORDERS WERE ADOPTED

1. Apologies.

To formally record apologies for absence and to record the attendance of Town Councillors.

Present: Cllrs McCarney, Shaw, Allison, Hughes, Morgan, Stokes, Murphy, Elcock , Gwynn and Cllr Ryan (online).

Apologies received: Cllr Tyrrell – Atlantic Challenge

2. Declarations of interest.

An opportunity for Councillors to declare a personal or pecuniary interest in any of the items listed below.

Cllr Gwynn: Item 8 on agenda, personal interest.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting, held on Tuesday 7th February 2023, as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

It was proposed to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record. Proposer Cllr Murphy, seconded by Cllr Morgan.

4. Clerks report.

On the evening

The Clerk advised the Council that a thank you letter had been received from the Fishguard Folk Festival for the £500 grant.

Also updated following up on request in the previous meeting to enquire of Grwp Resilience of any Biodiversity Plan for their "*purchase land for community use*" project. Feedback was that Grwp Resilience and local people have met with the County Council biodiversity officer, but ultimately it will be the local people who will run the project.

5. Councillor Update

On the evening

Cllr Shaw: Has spoken with Michael Annis from Round Table, regarding Soap Box Derby losses last year and requests for financial support. Was informed that the Round Table should be encouraged to make a grant application ahead of this year's event, but unfortunately the council are unable to make payments retrospectively.

Cllr Elcock: Querying why there is still a sign showing for the doctor's surgery in Goodwick, and requesting it be removed. Cllr Gwynn to action.

Cllr Morgan: Advised the council that there is now a group of volunteers, and it has been agreed with PCC that they will maintain the Marine Walk on a regular basis, and that MIND are also to be involved.

Cllr McCarney: Loctudi Twinning visit in April. The Town Council will host a reception and buffet on Tuesday 18th April in the Royal Oak at 5pm, all councillors are welcome to attend.

Cllr McCarney: Food Festival. There is now a group/committee, with Jeremy Martineau coordinating, they are planning an event for the week before October half term, and various local businesses will be involved.

Cllr McCarney: 22nd March 2023, 4-6pm; there is a meeting at Point regarding a new Graffiti project and Cllr McCarney is unable to go, and requesting another councillor to attend. Cllrs Shaw and Elcock offered to attend on behalf of the council.

6. Budget update and review - Clerk

The most recent budget has been circulated, are there any questions or comments
No questions or comments received.

7. An opportunity to ask questions regarding the committee meetings held last month

Finance 20.02.2023

Events 21.02.2023

Governance 21.02.2023

no questions or comments received.

8. Grant Applications

Aberjazz Festival August 2023: £1,500

It was determined that not all the information had been supplied to meet the criteria. Clerk to contact the organisers to provide the missing information and bring the application to the next available meeting.

9. Marine walk Notice Boards: Cllr Morgan

To discuss and agree whether to support the replacement of notice boards. Cllr Morgan explained there should be 6, same style, noticeboards on the Marine Walk. 2 are missing, 3 are illegible and one is ok for now. The Ancient Connections are replacing the 2 missing ones, and there is an opportunity to replace the remaining 4 at the same time, which would reduce the overall cost. Quotation was discussed, and it was agreed to finance the replacement of the 4 boards at a cost to the council of £6007.81+vat. Proposed Cllr Allison, seconded Cllr Stokes.

10. Reserves Policy: Cllr Stokes

To approve and adopt reviewed reserves policy, as recommended by the Governance Committee. It was agreed to approve and adopt the Reserves policy. Proposed Cllr Allison, seconded Cllr Morgan.

11. Welsh Language Policy: Cllr Stokes

To approve Welsh Language policy, prior to sending it to the Welsh Language board for comment. It was agreed to approve that policy for submission to the Welsh Language Board for comment. Clerk to action. Proposed Cllr Allison, seconded Cllr Shaw.

12. Subscription Renewal: Clerk

One Voice Wales annual membership: £1104 based on 2832 chargeable dwellings. It was agreed to renew this membership. Proposed Cllr Stokes, seconded Cllr Morgan.

13. To discuss and agree a salary increase for the Clerk following completion of probationary period: Cllr Stokes

Closed Session under section Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as personal details of an employee will be discussed. The Council was in agreement with the pay increase recommended by the HR Committee. It was agreed that this would be put in the Contract of Employment, which would then be fully completed and brought back to the next meeting for approval.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 4th April 2023

Time meeting closed: 8.41pm

Signed: **Date:**

Position:

Reference: TC/23-3