

# LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL

## FINANCE AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING – 2020/03/02 – 05

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY FINANCE AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING** held in the Council Chamber, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 2 March 2020 at 3.30 pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs R Holmes (Chairman), L Arnold, S Holmes, W Leach and T Tremlett  
Irena Litton Locum RFO

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Housekeeping in regards to Health & Safety was carried out by Cllr R Holmes. Cllr Homes also reminded the Committee of their duty to the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities, Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

1. **APOLOGIES**

The Committee noted the apologies from Cllr R Kemsley.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Declarations of interest were declared:

Cllr Sue Holmes – Agenda Item 5 iii. Community Centre.

Cllr Tess Tremlett – Agenda Item 5i. Town Hall Trust.

Cllr Roger Holmes – Agenda Item 5vii. Cobalt Centre.

Cllr Walter – Agenda Item 5iii. Community Centre.

3. **OPEN FORUM**

No matters presented.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020)**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved, subject to the following amendment:-

Agenda Item 6 - It was agreed to amend the minutes of the meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 to read - “The Committee agreed to provide a set of three options, with regards the budget and setting of the precept, to the Full Council.”

5. **BUDGET – To consider grant applications.**

The Committee reviewed the criteria of the applications received from:-

**i.** Town Hall Trust

The Committee agreed to award a grant of £500.

**ii.** Victoria Centre

The Committee agreed to award a grant of £300.

**iii.** Lydney Community Centre

The Committee requested that the centre re-submit their application to reflect the centre costs and email the Clerk for final approval by the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020. **CLERK**

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Subject to the above condition the Committee agreed to award a grant of £500.

### iv. Twinning Association

The Committee declined the grant application from the Twinning Association; however, it was recommended that as it is a Civic Event, funding could be considered from the Mayors Budget.

### v. Forest Pulse

The Committee agreed to award a grant of £500.00.

### vi. Lydney Festival

The Committee agreed to award a grant of £500.00.

### vii. Cobalt Unit

The Committee declined the application; as it doesn't meet with grants policy criteria.

The Committee asked that all the organisations acknowledge the contributions in any of their advertising of their events and be invited to give a small presentation at the Annual Town Meeting. **CLERK**

The Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that the policy be amended to allow for grants to be awarded up to £1,000, in exceptional circumstances. **AGENDA**

A list of all the grants awarded in Financial Year 2019/20 is to be published on the website. **RFO**

### 8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is 'tba'.

### 7. CLOSE

The meeting was closed at 16.35pm.

Chairman .....

Date .....