

From 1 May 2021, the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 sets out a statutory requirement that: As soon as reasonably practicable after a meeting of a community council, and in any event before the end of seven working days beginning with the day on which the meeting is held, the council must publish electronically a note setting out— (a)the names of the members who attended the meeting, and any apologies for absence; (b)any declarations of interest; (c)any decision taken at the meeting, including the outcomes of any votes. Barry Town Council meets this duty by publishing this information in the form of draft meeting minutes which will be displayed electronically within 7 working days after the meeting. It should be noted that these minutes are DRAFT and not agreed until the next meeting.

## **BARRY TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2025 AT 7PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Brooks (Chair) together with Councillors Clarke, Drake, E S Goodjohn (Vice Chairperson) S Hodges, McKinney and Thomas.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mark Sims – Acting Chief Officer  
Rachel Williams – Finance Administrator  
Councillor N Hodges - Observer

F184. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

F185. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE COUNCILS CODE OF CONDUCT**

**RESOLVED:** Councillor S Hodges and Councillor N Hodges declared an interest relating to the grant application from J Hicks as they had personally contributed to the fundraising of the Margaret Lindsay Williams headstone.

F186. **WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015**

**RESOLVED:** That the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 be received and noted.

F187. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE, POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25 NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 25 November 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

F188. **TO RECEIVE THE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS FOR JANUARY 2025**

Members were provided with the schedule of payments for January 2025 consisting of cheque number 002989, direct debits and BACS payments, in the amount of £32,059.28

**RESOLVED: That the schedule of payments for January 2025 consisting of cheque number 002989, direct debits and BACS payments in the amount of £32,059.28 be approved.**

F189. **TO RECEIVE A BUDGET MONITORING REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Members were informed about the Council's income and expenditure in the 2024/25 financial year as at the end of December 2024.

**RESOLVED: That the budget monitoring report for December 2024, indicating actual income and expenditure up to the end of month nine in the 2024/25 financial year be received and noted.**

F190. **TO RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

Members received a recommendation from the Halls, Cemeteries and Community Facilities Committee held on 07 October 2024 to authorise an additional amount of £1,690 from the General Reserve for the purchase of the fire alarm system for the Pioneer Hall.

**RESOLVED: That the amount of £1,690 from the General Reserve for the purchase of the fire alarm system for Pioneer Hall be approved.**

F191. **Grants 2024/2025**

Members received a report in relation to grants for the current year 2024/25. Members were requested to consider adding Ysgol y Deri (Barry Campus) in the books for school grants scheme for the current year, and any future years while they are based in Barry, with an award of £250.

**1. RESOLVED: Members approved that Ysgol Y Deri (Barry Campus) be awarded a books for school grant in the amount of £250, under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021**

Whilst members discussed the above request, Councillor N Hodges suggested that now Ysgol Sant Baruc has become a two-form entry school and that their current award of £250 for the books for schools grant should be increased to £500.

- 2. RESOLVED: Members agreed that Ysgol Sant Baruc receive an increase to £500 for the books for school grant, under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

Members were requested to consider grant applications for Green Grants, Small Business Grants, Vibrant Culture Grants and Voluntary Organisation Grants under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

### **Green Grants**

Blasus Ltd T/A Kaspas Barry Island	£850
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- 3. RESOLVED: Members agreed to award a grant of £850 to Blasus Ltd, under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

### **Small Business Grants**

Balance Wellbeing Space	No Award
Bodywise	No Award
Brawd Health	£1,600
Canva Consulting	No Award
Hazel Lily Yoga	No Award
Maama Malti Fitness	No Award
The Fringe	£340
Universal Fundamental Sports	No Award
Vale Apiary	No Award
Vale Sports Hub	No Award

- 4. RESOLVED: Members agreed to award two applications for financial assistance, under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

### **Vibrant Culture Grants**

Barry Arts Festival	£1,000
Barry Male Voice Choir	£900 (Note)
GlastonBarry Fringe	£1,000
J Hicks	£242 (Note)
Vale Voices	£827

Note – Grant of £900 to cover the hire of room in Ysgol Sant Baruc.

Note – Grant of £242 to cover the waiving of the fee for Memorial Headstone.

**5. RESOLVED: Members agreed to award the various applications for financial assistance, under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

**Voluntary Organisations Grants**

10 <sup>th</sup> Barry Guides	£1000
372 (Barry) Squadron Air Training Corps	£280
Barry Central Bowls Club	No Award
Beast Explorer Unit	£680
Brynhill Golf Club	No Award
Cardiff and Vale Parents Federation	£300
Coastlands	£1,114
Makoto Karate Club	£860
Parent to Parent	No Award

**6. RESOLVED: Members agreed to award the various applications for financial assistance, under the General Power of Competence, Section 24 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

F192. **GDPR UPDATE**

Members were provided with a GDPR update from the Acting Chief Officer.

**RESOLVED: That the GDPR update be received and noted.**

F193. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED: That the date of the next meeting of the Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee is scheduled to be held on Monday 7 April 2025.**

Meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed .....(Chairperson) Dated .....