

**“QUICK NOTES” OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF PONTYPOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD REMOTELY USING MICROSOFT TEAMS ON
WEDNESDAY 5 JANUARY 2022 AT 6.30PM**

NB the full minutes will be published in due course

In attendance (all using Teams):

Councillor: John Killick (in the Chair)

and Councillors: Lynda Clarkson, Elizabeth Hunt and Gaynor James

Officers: Cindy Challenger (Finance and Events Manager), Richard Gwinnell (Acting Clerk) and Jane Wright (Assistant Clerk)

Min. no.	Subject and decision	Action
321.	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>Councillor Norma Parrish.</p>	
322.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Councillors Lynda Clarkson, Gaynor James and John Killick declared personal and non-prejudicial interests in any agenda items relating to Torfaen County Borough Council (TCBC) as they were members of TCBC, as well as members of Pontypool Community Council.</p>	
323.	<p><u>Schedule of Receipts and Payments</u></p> <p>The Finance and Events (F&E) Manager presented the schedule of receipts and payments for October 2021</p> <p><u>RECOMMENDED*</u>: that the schedule of receipts and payments for October 2021 be approved.</p>	
324.	<p><u>Use of Credit Card</u></p> <p>The F&E Manager presented the schedule of credit card payments made in September/October 2021.</p> <p><u>RECOMMENDED*</u>: that the payments made with the Council’s credit card, shown in the report, be approved.</p>	

325.	<p><u>Financial Budget Comparison (Monitoring Report)</u></p> <p>The Committee received and considered the financial monitoring report to the end of October 2021.</p> <p><u>RECOMMENDED*</u>: that the financial monitoring report to the end of October 2021 be approved and the information contained in it be noted.</p>	
326.	<p><u>Budget 2022/23</u></p> <p><u>RESOLVED:</u> that the budget and precept for 2022/2023 proposed in the report be recommended to the Full Council on 26 January 2022.</p>	
327.	<p><u>Local Voluntary Funding (LVF) applications</u></p> <p>The committee considered the following LVF applications (noting that all LVF applications had been checked by the F&E Manager):</p> <p><u>Councillor Nick Simons</u></p> <p>George Street Primary School - £500 (to help towards nursery equipment – early years setting) Hope GB - £500 (help with running costs) <i>S. 137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being S2 LGA 2000</i> Pontypool Rugby Football Club - £500 <i>s.19 LGA 1976 (Miscellaneous Provision)</i></p> <p><u>Councillor Keith James</u></p> <p>Playground at Coed Camlas - £486 (payment for bench for use at the playground plus installation) <i>S. 137 LGA 1972/Power of Well Being S2 LGA 2000</i></p> <p><u>RESOLVED:</u> that the LVF applications above be approved.</p>	CC
328.	<p><u>Requests for Financial Assistance</u></p> <p>Two financial requests were received from Spinal Research and Wales Air Ambulance</p> <p><u>RECOMMENDED*</u>: (i) £50.00 be granted to Spinal Research (ii) £400.00 be granted to Wales Air Ambulance</p>	CC/ LM

329.	<p><u>Grant Aid</u></p> <p>A request had been received from St. John Ambulance Cymru – Griffithstown Division for Grant Aid.</p> <p><u>RECOMMENDED*</u>: that £350.00 be awarded in line with other organisations awarded grant aid on the proviso that a letter is sent, stating that the money must go directly to the Griffithstown project.</p>	CC
330.	<p><u>Torfaen Voluntary Alliance</u></p> <p>The Committee received information from Anne Evans from Torfaen Voluntary Alliance on a Community Grants proposal.</p> <p><u>RESOVLED</u>: that Anne Evans be invited to the next Policy & Finance meeting</p>	
331.	<p><u>Thank you letter</u></p> <p><u>RESOLVED</u>: that the letter of thanks from Torfaen Museum Trust be welcomed.</p>	

* This is a recommendation to the Council. The Council will make the final decision at a future meeting.

Chair