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Draft Minutes for the meeting of Hay Town Council on Monday 7th October 2024 at **6.00pm** in the Council office, Brecon Road, Hay on Wye, HR3 5DY.

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1. Apologies for absence
Present: Cllr F Howard, Cllr S Morris, Cllr R Golesworthy, Cllr G Williams, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr J Prothero, Cllr W Bielska, Cllr A Bielski, Cllr R Golesworthy
Also present: Cllr G Ratcliffe, Clerk C Bunton and a member of the public.
Apologies: Cllr P Jenkins, Cllr J Hall, Cllr A Powell.
2. Declarations of Interest & Code of Conduct
Cllr S Morris – Allotments.
3. Questions from Members of the Public
None.
4. Minutes of the meeting dated 10th September.
Agreed as a true and accurate record and signed
5. BT Phone Box
The BT phonebox on Broad Street is repeatedly being vandalised. As the only option provided by BT is to install a Defib in there, and there is already a Defib at the Clock Tower it is proposed that Council request BT to remove the phonebox and ask Powys CC to install additional bike racks there.
Proposed RG, seconded JM unanimously agreed.
6. Disabled Fishing Platform
Debris from the WW site has been washed onto the Disabled Fishing platform making it un-useable. Council to contact WW and ask them to clean the site.
Proposed JM, seconded SM unanimously agreed.

7. Xmas Lights
FH & SM are attending a meeting re Xmas Lights on 9th Oct.
8. Paid Parking
Paid parking prices are up for renewal. Proposed to set the price at £250.
Proposed FH, seconded JP unanimously agreed.
9. Defibs
In light of WAST not replacing pads and batteries it was proposed that Council precept £60 per year and Bowls and Cricket Club are requested to donate £15 per year for their upkeep.
Proposed GW, seconded AB unanimously agreed.
10. Cattle Market – In Camera.
11. Cllr Projects
- a) Suggestions – There have been no further suggestions.
 - b) Play Area Teams – GW & PJ met with a representative from Proludic to gauge initial ideas and potential costs. It was a very positive meeting. Cllrs are investigating ways to move the project forward.
 - c) Land at Warren Close – Cllrs met with representatives from Hay Allotment Society to view the allotments already in situ and view the land a Warren Close. It is felt that the area could potentially be used for allotments. Consultation with local residents and the town as a whole is needed to see if more allotments are required. Clerk to create consultation form.
 - d) Keeping Hay Tidy – Postponed until 2025, potentially to coincide with Hay Festival.
 - e) Town Enhancements – Lots of ideas around enhancing the town, ideas include signs on lampposts, talking bench that describes what can be seen with some history, QR code history trail. Board with information about Hay, The Warren, wells.
 - f) Remembrance Parade 2024 – band will meet the procession after the church service and parade to Memorial Square for this year only. Band will cost £250 and will need to be added to the precept moving forward.
12. Subcommittee Reports / Minutes
- a) Finance
 - I) Asset Register Policy
Recommendation to create an asset register policy.
Proposed AB, seconded JM unanimously agreed
 - II) Current Reserves
Are looking healthy and with a recent precept payment new reserves figures to be circulated at next meeting.
 - III) Current Spend vs Precept
Figures shared. No questions.
 - IV) Moving to on online storage of Invoices
Recommendation from next Financial year to move to online storage of all income and expenditure.
Proposed JP, seconded WB unanimously agreed
 - V) Nayax
Concerns raised that no longer receiving monthly reports from Nayax. Prems to discuss.
 - VI) Date of next meeting – TBC.

b) Estates

I) Cemetery

Are unable to include any names of Cllrs that did not attend the photo. Awaiting draft write up. It was felt by all Cllrs that they would prefer no write up and no names included, HTC to do own write up instead.

II) Estates survey

Concerns raised re Football Duck Race and parking.

III) BBNPA funding, riverside steps etc..

Waiting to hear.

IV) Login Brook footpath.

V) Clerk to re-send out for quotes.

VI) Date and time of next meeting - TBC

c) Premises

I) Clock Tower Toilets

Doors need painting.

II) Oxford Road Toilets

Getting a lot of vandalism and users leaving extreme mess. Toilets are cleaned every day, however this does not allow for disrespectful use. Toilet dispenser has been broken.

III) Pavilion

Issues with the hot water system. Company have been asked to quote for a new central heating system that can be installed in stages.

IV) Date and time of next meeting - TBC

13. Report of the Clerk / RFO

a) Major Correspondence

i) Hay Summer Show – Thanked the Town Council and HADSCAL for use of the land and have requested 20th July 2024

ii) Governors – JP does not currently have time available to dedicate to Hay Primary School, Cllr WB kindly agreed to take on the role.

iii) Car wash – Radnor Scouts requested running a car wash on new car park area Sunday 17th November. Approved.

b) Bank Reconciliations

No questions.

14. Reports of HTC Representatives:

a) Gwynne's Almshouses – none.

b) Dial a Ride – none.

c) Dyfed Powys Police – email forwarded to Cllrs

d) One Voice Wales – New Chair – Barbara Lloyd.

e) Cheesemarket – Meeting due.

f) Hay2Timbuktu – none.

g) BBNP– none.

h) Chamber of Commerce – meeting Wednesday.

i) Hay Summer Show – as above.

j) Hay Markets – none.

15. Date and time of next meeting:
Monday 4th November 2024.

Meeting closed 7.56pm

Jane Howard