TREDEGAR TOWN COUNCIL

Reporting of decisions and recommendations - Civic Meeting of Council held Wednesday, 5th October, 2022 at 6.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors G. Evans (Chair)

K. Phillips A.E. Tippings E. Jones

B. Rees

D. Rowberry

J. Thomas K. Waldron

C. Walters

G. Walters

In attendance: Clerk - Ms. C. Aherne

Apologies. Councillors M. Turner, G. Badham, P. Cornlouer, P. Prosser and H. Trollope

Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members to make their declarations as and when necessary:

To receive Mayor's report, as appropriate

The Mayor reported on Civic matters arising, and events attended, since the last meeting of Council.

To receive any verbal recommendations of all Sub-Committees / Working Party prior to this meeting:

It was agreed the following recommendations be approved accordingly.

Events Sub-Committee - 5th October, 2022
 Armed Forces Day - £200.00 to be awarded to the designated charity
 Aneurin Bevan Day - £100.00 to be awarded to the Mayor's Appeal 2022 / 2023

Remembrance events – financial expenditure recommended for approval in respect of the following: wreaths and poppy bouquets; replacement lamp-post poppies (as required); transport and refreshments for Cairn walk participants; PA sound system on Remembrance Sunday (Cenotaph);

Christmas Lights switch-on – Friday, 25th November, 2022

Financial expenditure recommended for approval in respect of the Road Closure Order; road traffic management supplied by external provider; PA sound system; Poster and Window Dressing competition winners;

Mayor's Christmas visits – Residential / Care Homes – financial expenditure recommended for approval in respect of transport and a gift for each Home.

To receive and adopt the following Minutes of Council:

- a) Civic Meeting of Council 6th July, 2022
- b) Defibrillator Working Party 20th July, 2022
- c) Performance Review Sub-Committee 20th July, 2022
- d) Ordinary Meeting of Council 20th July, 2022
- e) Public Facilities Sub-Committee 24th August, 2022

Grants:

a) To receive and consider grants to Sporting and Cultural organisations (under the provision of the Local Govt. Miscellaneous Provision Act 1976 s.19 and Local Government Act 1972 s.137

Bedwellty Park Bowls Club - Any financial assistance received would be used towards the purchase of a glasses washer which will assist them as the demand for use of the pavilion for larger social events has increased.

2021/22 Oct'21 CQ No. 205 £200.00

b) To receive and consider grants to Churches & Chapels (s.137) - Grants as of 01.04.2017 now max £300.00 (before awarding a grant Council must be satisfied the grant is being given for non-religious purposes with the building being for community use) - None received.

Councillors K. Phillips and D. Rowberry declared an interest in respect of 'Licensing' items, and A.E. Tippings in respect of the 'Trefil Harvest and Flower Festival' and 'Wales in Bloom Outstanding Award Sirhowy Woodlands', taking no part in discussion or voting thereon

Correspondence

Items of correspondence were received and noted accordingly.

Councillor J. Thomas declared an interest in the following item and took no part in discussion or voting thereon.

Planning:

- a) List of planning applications received in week 36
- b) List of planning applications received in week 38
- c) List of planning applications received in week 39

To consider Planning Applications submitted for Council's observations

App. No.	Applicant	Proposal
C/2022/0252 No objections.	Mr. N. Kemp Jaxon Electrical Services Ltd. Ysguborwen	Proposed lean to extension to house an existing steel container for storage in association with the business — Jaxon Electrical Services Ltd, Ysguborwen.
C/2022/0255 No objections.	Mr. W. Walters Yr-Hen-Becws Merthyr Road Tredegar	TPO, larch x 3 - fell, sycamore - pollard, larch – crown - Hafod Wen Merthyr Road, Tredegar.
C/2022/0257 No objections.	Mrs. E. Hughes New House St James Close Tredegar	TPO. Acer x 2, crown raise, crown reduction, crown clean and target pruning, New House, St James Close.
C/2022/0259 No objections.	Mrs. C. Nicholas 3 Salem Cottages Charles Street Tredegar	Two storey and single storey rear extension- 3 Salem Cottages.
C/2022/0263	Mr. P. Evans Matchflat Planning Abbey Farm Abbey Road, Ewenny	Detached dwelling and garage - land off Marian Close.

No objections; considered a significant development, adding to that area.

C/2022/0265

Mr. I. Morris
1 Crossbrook

Trefil

To retain the development of new house as built, renovation of existing outbuilding into garage with room above and replacement parking - 1 Crossbrook, Trefil.

No objections; would improve the area.

C/2022/0275

Mr. D. Hughes Overlook House Georgetown Tredegar Reserved Matters Condition 4 Details of the siting, appearance & scale of all the individual dwellings shall be submitted to/approve in writing by LPA before any works relating to the construction of such dwelling are commenced. ΑII subsequently implemented shall be completed in full in accordance with such details as may be approved before the dwellings to which they relate are occupied. Plot 8 Former Pochin Works Site, Newport Road.

No objections; benefit to the area.

C/2022/0278

Mr. G. Shala

5 Laburnum Lane

Trefechan Merthyr Tydfil New shop front, 42 Commercial Street.

Merthyr Tydfil

No objections; however, noted the proposal changed the front elevation

C/2022/0281

Mr. O. Palo

from traditional to all glass to ground-level.

Flat 3, 113 High Street

Merthyr Tydfil

Change of use of ground floor to takeaway(A3) and new windows to front elevation, 44 Commercial Street.

Observations; a number of Members considered this development would result in a saturation of this business type. Also, generally takeaway establishments opened during the evening and, therefore, the shutters would be down whilst other retail premises were open, thus detracting from the appearance of the town. It was acknowledged that a more diverse cross-section of business-type was needed to support vibrant retail, e.g. delicatessen, bakery, zero waste, etc. A Member highlighted, however, there was limited interest on what type of shops currently seemed to be attracted to the Tredegar area.

Updates regarding Bedwellty House and Park / Parc Bryn Bach - any issues to have been previously reported direct to the House Management / Aneurin Leisure personally

None received.

Delegates: to receive and consider reports from Delegates to Outside Bodies and the recommendations of Sub-Committees / Working Parties:

- a) Joint Committee of Local Councils
- b) Gwent Valleys One Voice Wales
- c) One Voice Wales Larger Councils and AGM
- d) Tredegar Twinning
- e) Pen Bryn Oer Community Fund
- f) School Governing Bodies
- g) Blaenau Gwent Heritage Forum
- h) Blaenau Gwent CAB
- i) Tredegar / Ebbw Vale Crime Prevention Panel
- j) Tredegar Business Forum
- k) VVP / Tredegar Heritage Initiative

Updates received and noted accordingly.

Matters of Local Interest or Concern (by prior notice)

Matters received were noted accordingly.
