TREDEGAR TOWN COUNCIL

Reporting of decisions and recommendations - Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 15th May, 2024 at 6.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors K. Phillips (Chair)

M. Turner
A.E. Tippings
A.E. Evans
E. Jones
S. Mavar
M. Moore
D. Rowberry
H. Trollope
S. Trollope
C. Walters

G. Walters

In attendance: Clerk - Ms. C. Aherne

RFO - Ms. A. Edwards

Apologies. Councillors E. Griffin, G. Badham, A. Jones, J. Thomas and K. Waldron

Declarations of Interest

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

To receive any verbal recommendations of all Sub-Committee / Working Party meetings held prior to this meeting of Council

No Sub-Committee meetings had been held prior to Council; however, a meeting of the Website Working Party took place on 7th May, 2024.

To consider the exclusion of the Press and public by virtue of the matters to be discussed under the provisions of the LGA 1972, Schedule 12A

Moved, the meeting was closed to the public.

a) To receive final report of the Internal Auditor for year-end 31st March, 2024;

The report of the Internal Auditor was unanimously approved.

b) To confirm the Annual Accounts for year-end 31st March, 2024 and approve Mayor to sign;

The Annual Accounts were approved for year-end 31st March, 2023, and signed by the Mayor, as the Chair of the meeting, in the presence of Council.

c) Internal Audit 2023 / 2024: to undertake a review of the Internal Audit Process for the year ended 31st March, 2024;

In respect of the performance of the Internal Auditor, the RFO had engaged satisfactorily with the Internal Auditor and was happy to continue with the same auditors for this current year; the statements outlined within the report were formally accepted and approved accordingly.

d) Agree the Annual Governance Statements on the Return for 2023 / 2024, prior to External Audit; and

The RFO thereupon spoke to Parts 1-9 of the Annual Governance Statement; Parts 1-8 were thereupon agreed as 'Yes' and Statement No. 9 (Trust Funds) as 'not applicable'. Members of the Council therefore agreed, to approve by resolution, to submit the Annual Return to the External Auditor.

e) Council approval and certification of Annual Return 2024 to be signed by Mayor

The Annual Return was approved and certified, signed by the Mayor as Chair of the meeting in the presence of Council, and in accordance with the statutory deadline of 30th June, 2023. The RFO requested the Mayor attend the office to sign all the supplementary documents to support the Annual Return; agreed accordingly.

To re-open the Meeting to the Public

Moved, the meeting was re-opened to the public.

To consider a Schedule of Accounts for payment in May 2024

The Schedule of Accounts was approved for payment.

To receive and adopt the following Minutes of Council:

- a) Events Sub-Committee 3rd April, 2024
- b) Civic Meeting of Council 3rd April, 2024
- c) Finance and Staffing Sub-Committee 9th April, 2024
- d) Performance Review Sub-Committee 17th April, 2024
- e) Ordinary Meeting of Council 17th April, 2024

It was agreed that all Minutes presented be moved as a true record.

Chair to sign Minutes - at earliest opportunity in accordance with WG Legislation and Guidance

Minutes approved were duly signed by the Chair in the presence of Council.

Correspondence

Councillor D. Rowberry declared an interest in 'Licensing' and took no part in discussion or voting thereon.

Items of correspondence were received and noted accordingly.

Planning:

Councillors D. Rowberry and E. Jones declared an interest in the following item and took no part in discussion or voting thereon.

- a) i) List of planning applications received in week 18
 - ii) List of planning applications received in week 19
- b) To consider Planning Applications submitted for Council's observations:

App. No.	Applicant	Proposal
C/2024/0097	Mr G Howells 15 Beaufort Road	Reinstate garden wall opening and install gate -15
No objections	Tredegar	Beaufort Road.

C/2024/0111 No objections	Mr G Knap 23 Lindsay Gardens Tredegar	Single storey rear extension and replacement Garage - 23 Lindsay Gardens.
C/2024/0104	Mr G James The Drop Zone Golf	Change of use from existing use to indoor golf facility with
No objections	Ltd. 58 Lakeside Way Nantyglo	ancillary bar and kitchen - Unit 4 Sirhowy Industrial Estate.

c) To consider other planning matters – None received.

Matters of Local Interest or Concern (by prior notice)

Matters received were noted accordingly.