

**CYNGOR TREF LLWCHWR**

**LLWCHWR TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Budget Working Party held at the Welfare Hall, Woodlands Road, Loughor on the 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2022.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Jeff Bowen (Chair)

Councillors Will Evans, I. James, P. Parsons, C. Richards, and, R. V. Smith.

(At the Welfare Hall : 7.00 pm – 7.42 pm)

**1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Councillor J. Bowen was appointed Chair.

**2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**

Councillor W. Evans was appointed Vice Chair.

**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There was an apology for absence from Councillor C. Phillips.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**5. REPORT OF THE CLERK**

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED** and it was **FURTHER NOTED-**  
(i) as regards Paragraph 1 (ii) (b) of the Report the Caretaker's salary as noted in the Report would be increased and would also be referred to the Ad Hoc Pay and Performance Sub Committee with a likely recommendation that his salary be increased to a minimum of £10.00 an hour (in line with Swansea Council policies). For the purposes of the Budget such an increase would be made (with corresponding tax/N.I. increases). Such increase would be provided for by an increase in the amount of the Town Council Deficit Funding and an increase in Earmarked Reserves in the main Town Council Budget.

(ii) as regards Paragraph 1 (iii) (b) it was not accepted that the Clerk's salary be increased by 4.6% and that the matter of the Clerk's salary be referred to the Ad Hoc Pay and Performance Sub Committee. It was noted that the current offer to local government employees was 1.75% and this figure would be inserted into the Budget - this would mean a corresponding reduction in the Precept.  
The Clerk declared an interest in this item.

It was **RESOLVED** that

1-subject to the amendments noted above the Budgets for respectively the Welfare Hall and the main Town Council be accepted but the Clerk produce further Budget Statements

2-the salaries of both the Caretaker and the Clerk be referred to the Ad Hoc Pay and Performance Sub Committee.

**Chair.**

