**CYNGOR DREF PONTARDDULAIS TOWN COUNCIL**

Special Events Committee Meeting, of Pontarddulais Town Council

Tuesday 25th February 2025 at 7pm

**Present**: Cllr. Kelvin Williams (KW) – Chair; Cllr. Rhian Harris (RH); Cllr. Jacob John (JJ); Cllr. Gary Chambers (GC); Cllr, Kevin Griffiths (KG); Cllr. Anwen Jones-Vaughan (AJV); Jane Harris (JH); Cllr. Wayne Jones (WJ); Cllr. Huw Roberts (HR)
**Apologies:** Cllr. Alison Wilson (AW)

**Questions from the public relating to items on the agenda. (limited to 15 minutes).** None

**Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial interests in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct.** None

**Draft Minutes**

1. **To receive update on March event 29/03/25**

The Welsh Night was well attended and enjoyed by everyone with lovely feedback. AJV organised a raffle in aid of YGG Bryniago STF Unit which raised £75. The Cllrs in attendance received multiple declarations of interest in future film nights and the committee intend to explore grant funding for cinema equipment.

1. **To agree Gerallt Davies Young Achievers award/event**

The committee doesn’t have money available in the budget for this so it will need to be approved from the Civic Budget. A request will be made to the mayor for £150 prize money and funding to purchase a trophy/plaque.

The Clerk will amend last year’s nomination form and ask for nominations on the Council’s website and Social Media page.

Proposed, seconded and agreed unanimously.

1. **To discuss and agree Special Events for Easter**

There is a £400 budget available for Easter Events. The committee discussed various options but decided on a duck race in the river from the bridge at the rear of the Fire Station to the bridge next to the library. Ducks will be numbered and £1 will be charged per duck to fund prizes and an Easter Egg hunt at the Institute along with children’s activities and refreshments following the duck race. This will be held on Tuesday April 2nnd with cash prizes for first second and third placed ducks (£30/£20/£10) and chocolate eggs for the egg hunt in the Institute. The Clerk will provide a letter for Cllrs to approach local businesses for donations of eggs and raffle prizes. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

1. **To discuss VE Day event**

The committee discussed holding a film night to commemorate VE day as there are other more formal services being held in the community. Possible films include the latest Dad’s Army. KW will speak to Rev. John Gillibrand regarding any services planned by St. Micheal’s.

1. **To discuss Summer events and agree a way forward regarding funding.**

The Committee discussed a Pontarddulais Summer Fair with input from organisations in the Town who would like to participate in some way. It is necessary to keeps costs down this year and in order to minimize the financial impact on the community from a large Precept rise, no funds have been allocated for any Summer events. An event run in conjunction with the Comprehensive School was suggested. JH and JJ will make contact with the Headteacher to explore options in the first instance. A film night to celebrate Pride in Pontarddulais was discussed with a provisional date of July 28th suggested. The film Pride was suggested as it is a great Welsh story. The Summer Quiz was discussed and a request will be made to the Rugby Club to host it during the first couple of weeks of June to be confirmed with the Club. It was noted there was no funding for a hot buffet available.

**Meeting Closed: 20.43**