

# Cyngor Tref y Trallwng | Welshpool Town Council

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## **DRAFT**

Minutes of the Staffing Committee held on 07/05/2025 6:30pm in Council Chamber, Welshpool Town Hall.

#### PRESENT:

Councillor David France (Chair)
Councillor Estelle Bleivas
Councillor Morag Bailey
Councillor Nick Howells
Councillor Phil Pritchard
Councillor Revd William Rowell

Apologies for absence:

Councillor Sally Fitzgerald

Absent:

Councillor Billy Spencer

Also in attendance:

Councillor Julie Arnold
Richard Williams - Town Clerk & Proper Officer

# S070525/1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr Sally Fitzgerald due to ill health.

#### S070525/2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

S070525/3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

# S070525/4. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

#### S070525/4.1 Previous Minutes

## **RESOLVED**

To confirm the minutes of the Staffing Committee held on the 2nd April 2025.

M43 - Proposed by Cllr Morag Bailey, seconded by Cllr Revd William Rowell

## S070525/4.1 Matters Arising

No matters arising from the previous meeting.

The Town Clerk answered a query from Cllr Nick Howells relating to Matters Arising and Any Other Business.

# S070525/5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Staffing Committee will be confirmed at the Annual Meeting.

#### S070525/6. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - EXCLUSION

#### **RESOLVED**

That members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

M44 - Proposed by Cllr Morag Bailey, seconded by Cllr Phil Pritchard

#### S070525/7. STAFFING MATTERS

The Town Clerk updated the committee in respect of staffing and employment matters. A discussion was held regarding staff chainsaw training and the Town Clerk reported on an employment matter facing the Council.

#### **RECOMMENDED**

To approve chainsaw training plus qualification at Meifod for three staff at a cost of £1950.

M45 - Proposed by Cllr Estelle Bleivas, seconded by Cllr Revd William Rowell

#### **RECOMMENDED**

To pursue the course of action advised by the Council's solicitor in relation to the employment matter.

M47 - Proposed by Cllr Morag Bailey, seconded by Cllr Estelle Bleivas. A recorded vote was requested.

For: David France, Estelle Bleivas, Morag Bailey, Nick Howells, Revd William Rowell Against:

Abstain: Phil Pritchard

The meeting finished at 19:02.

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Signed:	Dated:
Councillor David France (Chair)	

## **Decision/Action Log**

Item		Assigned	Status
S070525/4.1 M43	RESOLUTION Previous Minutes To confirm the minutes of the Staffing Committee held on the 2nd April 2025.	Town Clerk & Proper Officer	Completed

Item		Assigned	Status
S070525/6 M44	RESOLUTION Confidential Session - Exclusion That members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.		In progress
S070525/7 M45	RECOMMENDATION Staffing Matters To approve chainsaw training plus qualification at Meifod for three staff at a cost of £1950.	Town Clerk & Proper Officer Responsible Finance Officer Operations Manager	In progress
S070525/7 M47	RECOMMENDATION Staffing Matters To pursue the course of action advised by the Council's solicitor in relation to the employment matter.	Town Clerk & Proper Officer	In progress