At the virtual Annual Meeting of Pembroke Dock Town Council held on Thursday 11th June 2020

**PRESENT:** Councillors G Goff, G Manning, D Burrell, J George, P George, B Hall, T Wilcox, S Davis, J Beynon & T Judkins

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Sarah Scourfield – Town Clerk Amanda Hart – Deputy Town Clerk Caroline Mason – Community & Committees Officer

## **1** APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors: S O'Connor, G Anderson, M Colgan, P Kraus

## 2 ELECTION OF MAYOR

To elect a Member of the Town Council to the office of Mayor of Pembroke Dock to hold office, pursuant to Section 34 and 245(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, until the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

Cllr J Beynon asked the proposed Mayor Cllr G Manning and Deputy Mayor Cllr T Judkins for their views on the recent comments from Councillor Dowson regarding the Black Lives Matters campaign and how they would ensure they support all residents equally. Cllr G Manning responded that all lives matter regardless of creed and he would support everyone in the Town Council area. Cllr T Judkins also said that he would support all residents.

Cllr J Beynon commented that no one is saying that all lives don't

matter but currently it's Black lives that are at risk and need support, therefore due to their response Cllr J Beynon proposed that Councillor G Goff stays in post for another year. Cllr D Burrell asked Cllr G Goff if he would accept.

Cllr G Goff commented that he would accept but would not be willing to take the allowance.

It was PROPOSED by Councillor J Beynon SECONDED by Councillor D Burrell

A vote was taken by members with 3 votes for and 4 against for Cllr G Goff to remain as Mayor

# It was PROPOSED by Councillor B Hall SECONDED by Councillor T Judkins

A vote was taken by members with 5 votes for and 3 against for Cllr G Manning to be elected into the post.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor G Manning will be elected as Mayor of Pembroke Dock to hold office, pursuant to Section 34 and 245(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, until the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

The elected Mayor formally indicated to Council that Mrs L Manning would be his consort for year 2020/2021.

Following the election of the Mayor Cllr G Manning, Cllr J Beynon withdrew from the meeting.

## **3** APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR.

To appoint a Member of the Town Council to the office of Deputy Mayor of Pembroke Dock to hold office pursuant to section 15(7) and 34(7) of the Local Government Act 1972, until the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

## It was PROPOSED by Councillor G Goff SECONDED by Councillor S Davis

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor T Judkins will be elected as Deputy Mayor of Pembroke Dock to hold office, pursuant to Section 34 and 245(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, until the next Annual General Meeting of the Council.

A vote was taken and 6 Members voted for the proposal.

Cllr G Goff (outgoing Mayor) thanked everyone for their support during his term in office. He mentioned some highlights visiting Trinity House in London and being invited to Buckingham Palace to the Garden Party that was due to take place this May but was unfortunately cancelled due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Cllr G Goff wished Cllr G Manning the best for the future and a successful term in office.

The Mayor and Deputy Mayor made their formal declarations of acceptance of office.

Cllr G Manning commented that he felt great pride and honour to be the Mayor and that he will take this responsibility sincerely. He said that we are all experiencing a difficult time at present due to the Coronavirus and hopes that we will be sitting around the table very soon. Cllr Manning thanked the general public, NHS, Police, Fire services, supermarkets and all other key workers for their work. He also thanked David Simpson and the staff at County Hall for keeping services going. Cllr Manning mentioned it was Carers Week and thanked all unpaid carers and its community for their work. To the outgoing Mayor, he thanked Cllr Goff for all the sterling work he has done and is a patron for Pembroke Dock, he said it had been a pleasure working with him. Cllr Manning thanked the Town Clerk and Deputy Clerk for their work and welcomed Caroline Mason to her role at Committees and Community Officer.

Cllr T Judkins thanked everyone for voting for him at Deputy Mayor and looked forward to servicing the town.

#### 4 REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

#### **1. Councillor Attendance**

The Town Clerk informed members that due to the Coronavirus the full Town Council only met on 9 occasions during the year 2019/20. The average attendance for the year was 80% which was down from last years 88.84%, this figure had not been affected by the Coronavirus as only the actual meetings that took place had been considered

#### The full details: -

Councillor Guy Anderson	6 attendances	67%
Councillor Joshua Beynon	7 attendances	78%
Councillor Dilys Burrell	9 attendances	100%
Councillor Maureen Colgan	7 attendances	78%
Councillor Jonathan George	9 attendances	100%
Councillor Pam George	7 attendances	78%
Councillor Gordon Goff	7 attendances	78%
Councillor Phillip Gwyther	5 attendances	56%
Councillor Brian Hall	7 attendances	78%
Councillor Terry Judkins	7 attendances	78%
Councillor Peter Kraus	4 attendances	
44%		
Councillor George Manning	9 attendances	100%
Councillor Sean Davis	2 attendances	67%
(Joined 7/11/19)		
Councillor Stephen O'Connor	9 attendances	100%

Councillor Jane Phillips Councillor Tony Wilcox Councillor Margaret Murton (Resigned Aug 19)	8 attenda 6 attenda 3 attendanc	nces	89% 67% 100%
2. End of Financial Year informati In 2019/20 the Town Council b £280,452.		nd	
The precept for the year was		£182,90	00
, 0	Receipts of Payments of	£234,246.4 £202,160.4	
This leaves a budgeted surplus	of	£32,086.03	3

The bank account amounts as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 are as follows

£ 47,857.71
<u>£ 127,901.10</u>
£175,758.81

The amounts earmarked for 2020/2021 are as follows		
1503 – Maintenance Centenary Lamp	£300	
1505 – Maintenance Pump House	£500	
1511 – Street Cleaning	£15,000	
1603 – Pater Hall Community Trust	£6,000	
1705 – Civic Regalia	£4,300	
1706 – Electoral Services	£13,000	
	£39,100	

The 25% precept reserve amount held by the Town Council is £45,725.00.

This leaves an amount of **£90,933.81** with the amount of £34,500 coming from general reserves which includes refurbishment of the

offices this brings the amount in general reserves down to £56,433.81.

The Town Clerk commented that there have been a number of achievements throughout the year which include

- Hosting Bertie the Seabass
- Commencing an Action Plan
- Purchase of 28 Dimond Street
- Successful first breakfast with Santa
- Strengthened links with MHPA
- Held a successful Town Awards event
- and to date all survived the Coronavirus

## 3. Town Council Committees 2019-2020

## Planning Committee

Councillor George Manning (Chair)	Councillor Maureen
Colgan	
Councillor Jonathan George	Councillor Terry Judkins
Councillor Gordon Goff	

## Finance Committee

Councillor Stephen O'Connor (Chair) Councillor George Manning Councillor Joshua Beynon Councillor Jane Phillips Councillor Terry Judkins

## Personnel Committee

Councillor Dilys Burrell (Chair) Councillor Margaret Murton 2019) Councillor Joshua Beynon Councillor Terry Judkins Councillor Guy Anderson Councillor Jonathan George 2019) Councillor Sean Davis

(Resigned August

(Resigned Jan 2020) (Joined September

(Joined Jan 2020)

#### Pater Hall Community Trust

**Councillor Pam George** Councillor Gordon Goff **Councillor George Manning Councillor Terry Judkins** 

Councillor Stephen O'Connor

#### **Twinning & Tourism**

**Councillor Maureen Colgan Councillor Peter Kraus** 

Councillor Pam George **Councillor Terry Judkins** 

#### **Other Committees**

**Action Plan Committee** 

Poppies/Remembrance Committee Councillors Colgan & George **Dr Jones Charity** Louisa Saunders Trust **Appeals Committee** plus the

Chairs of Committees plus the Mayor

**Councillor Pamela George Councillor Pamela George** Chairs of Committees

Mayor

Patient Participation group Councillor Stephen O'Connor **Councillor Maureen Colgan** Power Station Community Group Valero Refinery Community panel **Councillor Pam George** Port of Milford Haven advisory panel Councillor Gordon Goff

**Governing bodies** (These posts will continue until 2021) Pembroke Dock Community School Councillor Pamela George **Councillor Peter Kraus** Pennar Community School

## 4. Current Policies of the Town Council

Below is a table of policies which the Town Council works to.

## **Mandatory**

Policy Name	Reviewer	Review Date
Biodiversity and	Full Council	November 2020
Environment		
Code of Conduct	Full Council	
Complaints Procedure	Full Council	
Financial Risk Assessment	Finance/ Full Council	September 2020
Financial Regulation	Finance/ Full Council	September 2020
Freedom of Information	Finance/ Full Council	
Schedule		
Health and Safety Policy	Full Council	
Information Data	Personnel	September 2020
Protection		
Standing Orders	Full Council	

## **Optional**

Policy Name	Review Committee	Review Date
Absence and Sickness	Personnel	
Bullying Policy	Personnel	
Capability Policy	Personnel	5 <sup>th</sup> September
		2020
Councillor Training Policy	Personnel	
Data Retention and	Town Clerk/Full	
storage of documents	Council	
Disciplinary Procedure	Town Clerk/Personnel	

Display Screen	Personnel	5 <sup>th</sup> September
Equipment		2020
Equal Opportunities	Personnel/Full	
Policy	Council	
Internet and Email Usage	Personnel	
Policy		
Lone Working	Town Clerk/Personnel	September 2020
Maternity Policy	Personnel	
Mayoral Allowances	Full Council	
Persistent Complainants	Full Council	April 2020
Performance Review	Personnel	April 2020
Policy		
Protocol between	Personnel/Full	April 2020
members and officers	Council	
Sickness and Pay policy	Town Clerk/Personnel	April 2020
Special Leave Policy	Personnel	

## 5. Urgent Items for approval

#### Pump House Repair Quote

The Town Clerk commented that as most members will be aware the Pump House was recently broken into, there were no items stolen but there was significant damage to the door. This has resulted in us gaining quotes for a new door to ensure that the building is secured.

Members need to decide if they wish to claim on the insurance for the installation of a new door or if they wish to pay from surplus reserves. The police have provided a crime reference number but no suspects have been identified. The Town Clerk commented that she had contacted a number of joiners to ask for a like for like quote for a new door and received one quote back for £624.00, she had included this within members papers for review.

Members were asked for their comments and to confirm how they wish to proceed. Cllr B Hall commented that the door was not that good and suggested that there are two locks on the new door to strengthen the top and bottom.

lt was

PROPOSED by Councillor B Hall SECONDED by Councillor J George RESOLVED: That the Town Council accept the quote received and the Town Clerk will contact the joiner to ask for two locks and it will be paid from the surplus reserves.

A vote was taken and all members agreed.

## Memorial Plaque for Cleddau Bridge Disaster

The Town Clerk commented that on 2<sup>nd</sup> June it was the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the collapse of the Cleddau Bridge. Before the lockdown she was contacted about the memorial plaque which was located up by the bridge, the plaque had been noted as missing and has been for approx. 3 years. It was questioned if the Town Council would consider replacing the plaque.

The Town Clerk had therefore obtained quotes for a new plaque, the quote came in at £98 plus VAT and delivery so approx. £120.

Members were asked for their comments and to confirm If they wish to replace the plaque? and to agree that funds can come from surplus reserves.

A vote was taken and all members agreed for the plaque to be replaced at a cost of approx. £120 and for the funds to come from the unallocated reserves.

# 5. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE FINANCIAL REPORT ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Date	Description	Amount
04.05.2020	Clarity Copiers	£0.77
06.05.2020	B W Scourfield – Internal Audit	£144.00
11.05.2020	Google Drive	£6.60
13.05.2020	1&1 Internet – Website and domain name	£71.96
18.05.2020	British Gas – Gas for 28 Dimond Street	£53.52
23.05.2020	HSBC – Bank Charges	£6.50
26.05.2020	British Gas – Electric for 28 Dimond Street	£20.18
02.06.2020	Clarity Copiers – Copy Charge	£13.07

## PAYMENTS PREVIOUSLY AGREED e.g., Grants, Sec

137 payments, allowances

Date	Description	Amount
	NONE	

# ACCOUNT RECEIPTS

Date	Description	Amount
02.06.2020	HSBC – Interest	£23.66

## **SALARIES AND WAGES**

06.05.2020-05.06.2020	Salaries	£ 3,774.14
06.05.2020 - 05.06.2020	Tax & NI	£ 758.19
06.05.2020 - 05.06.2020	Pensions	£ 874.73

# **ACCOUNT BALANCES**

02.06.2020	HSBC Business Account	£ 81,469.99
02.06.2020	HSBC Premium Account	£ 127,976.06

lt was

## PROPOSED by Councillor G Goff SECONDED by Councillor G Manning

**RESOLVED** - That Pembroke Dock Town Council approve payment of the above Payments, Receipts, Salaries and Wages.

#### 6 TO CONSIDER COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION 2020/2021

#### **Planning Committee**

The following members were proposed

**Councillor George Manning** 

**Councillor Maureen Colgan** 

**Councillor Jonathan George** 

**Councillor Gordon Goff** 

Councillor Guy Anderson

**Councillor Terry Judkins** 

A vote was taken by Members and all agreed.

Finance Committee

The following members were proposed Councillor Stephen O'Connor Councillor George Manning Councillor Joshua Beynon Council Councillor Terry Judkins

**Councillor Jane Phillips** 

A vote was taken by Members and all agreed.

Personnel CommitteeThe following members were proposedCouncillor Dilys BurrellCouncillor Joshua Beynon

**Councillor Jonathan George** 

Councillor Sean Davis Councillor Gordon Goff

Cllr D Burrell commented that now Cllr T Judkins is Deputy Mayor should he come off the committee

lt was

PROPOSED by Councillor D Burrell SECONDED by Councillor P George RESOLVED - That Councillor G Goff will join the Personnel Committee.

Twinning & Tourism

The following members were proposedCouncillor Maureen ColganCouncillor Pam GeorgeCouncillor Peter KrausCouncillor Terry Judkins

A vote was taken, and all Members agreed.

## Pater Hall Community Trust

The following members were proposedCouncillor Pam GeorgeCouncillor Terry JudkinsCouncillor Gordon GoffCouncillor George ManningCouncillor Stephen O'Connor

A vote was taken, and all Members agreed.

## **Other Committees**

The following members were proposed for the additional			
committees/outside bodies			
Action Plan Committee	<b>Chairs of Committees</b>		
plus the Mayor			
Poppies/Remembrance Committee	Councillors Colgan &		
George and J George asked to join			
Dr Jones Charity	Councillor Pamela George		
Louisa Saunders Trust	Councillor Pamela		
George & Cllr Maureen Colgan			
Appeals Committee (not including personnel)			
Chairs of Committees plus the Mayor			
Patient Participation group	Councillor Stephen O'Connor		
Power Station Community Group	Councillor Maureen Colgan		
Valero Refinery Community panel	Councillor Pam George		
Port of Milford Haven advisory panel	Councillor Pam George &		
Councillor Gordon Goff			
One Voice Wales Representative	Councillor George Manning		

A vote was taken, and all members agreed.

Governing bodies (These posts will continue until 2021)		
Pembroke Dock Community School	Councillor Pamela George	
Pennar Community School	Councillor Peter Kraus	

## 7 ADJOURNMENT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL BUSINESS UNTIL 9th JULY 2020 WILL BE PROPOSED, SECONDED AND VOTED UPON.

It was PROPOSED By: Councillor B Hall SECONDED By: Councillor G Goff RESOLVED: That all statutory business be adjourned until the next meeting of Council to be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020 at 1830hrs (6.30pm) There being no further business, the meeting closed.