



Dissert & Trecoed Community Council

Annual Report

2022/23

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Introduction

This annual report sets out to inform the residents of Disserth & Trecoed about the activities undertaken by Community Council during the 2021/22. It is based on the financial year 1st April – 31st March. The report contains a brief outline of the structure of the Council, an overview of the Council's activities throughout the year and a financial summary.

Contact

The Council does not have an office space and the Clerk works from home, the contact details for the council are:

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Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer
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The Council

The Council consists of eleven Members (Councillors) and the areas does not have wards.

The Council elects a Chair and a Vice Chair at the council's Annual Meeting in May. The Council is supported by one part-time member of staff; the Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer who is currently Jane Johnston.

Members

The following members were in place during 2022/23

Cllr Geraint Evans	Chair
Cllr Sue Richardson	Vice Chair
Cllr Derwyn Morgan	
Cllr Hilary Harwood	
Cllr Stuart Bridgewater	
Cllr Little-One Brighthouse	
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Services & Facilities

Disserth & Trecoed Community Council provides the following services & facilities:

- Community Noticeboards
- Grants to local groups
- Support for local initiatives
- Community Website

Grants & Donations

The Council operates a grant system for the benefit of local groups who may apply for grant funding to carry out work for the benefit of members of the community within the electoral boundary of Disserth & Trecoed.

The grants application system is open throughout the year. Applications must be submitted in writing to the Clerk containing as much information as possible. The council has a limited budget allocation.

Below is a list of grants allocated during 2022/23

Group	Amount £	Purpose
Howey Village Hall	500.00	Towards Service Costs & Upkeep
Cwmbach Community Fund	700.00	Jubilee Party
Howey Village Hall	486.38	Jubilee Party
Wales Air Ambulance	950.00	Support Local Residents Care

Projects

The Council was pleased to support both sections of the community by providing funding for the celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. A great time was had by all and we have included some images below:

Financial Information

The Budget

The Community Council raises most of its money via the local government precept. The precept for 2022/23 equated to £7731 this was a reduction of £2250 on 2021/22 facilitated by council reserves.

Financial Summary

Budget Heading	Budget Set 2022/23	Total Budget (Including Ear Marked Reserves)	Actual Expenditure 2022/23
Salary	4500	1069	5550.88
Clerk's Expenses	100		58.23
Clerk's Training	0	365	0
SLCC Subs	60		50.74
Insurance	280		257.60
Audit Fees	400		510.10
Elections	500	2500	556.66
HOWLTA Subs	15		0
One Voice Wales Subs	240	12	238.00
Members Travel	0	200	0
Members Training	500	700	355.00
Members Allowance	400	1211	600.00
Care Costs (Statutory)	0	1000	0

Stationery	50		0
Photocopying	150		84.36
Meeting Room Hire	0	325	0
Zoom Hosting	0	114	59.95
Website	180		672.00
IT Back Up	400		487.20
Grants	2000	500	1436.38
Howey Hall Grant	500	300	500.00
Devolved Services	1000	5000	0
Miscellaneous	0	500	4158.51
Home Working Allowance	156		156
Bank Charges	0		54
Total	13731	13796	15731.61
Taken from Reserves	6000		
Precept Received	7731		

Budget Monitoring

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer presents expenses/budget update reports to the council on a quarterly basis.

The Community Council is committed to using local contractors and suppliers wherever possible and believes in the value of the “Powys Pound.”

Council Financial Reserves

The Council holds financial reserves some of which are held within individual budget headings and others are held within general reserves. It is crucial the Council holds sufficient reserves to maintain its operations effectively and in preparation for future projects and services. A full list of financial reserves is provided to members at the end of each financial year (1st April.) These are also reported via the external audit process.

Financial Reserves held at 31.03.23:

Earmarked £11552.00

General £11229.55

Total £22781.55

Next Steps

The Council is committed to continue to work for the benefit of the community and its residents and welcomes project ideas from local residents.

Community Council meetings have now been moved to the first Tuesday in each month (except August) via Zoom due to lack of internet access within the community.

The Community Council has some vacant seats. If you are interested in applying, please email the Clerk – disserthcc@gmail.com