

Disserth & Trecoed Community Council

Annual Report

2023/24

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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 2023/24. 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:

Jane Johnston PSLCC, CiLCA (Wales)
Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer
10 Ddole Road
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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 2023/24

Cllr Geraint Evans Chair
Cllr Sue Richardson Vice Chair
Cllr Derwyn Morgan
Cllr Hilary Harwood
Cllr Stuart Bridgewater
Cllr Little-One Brighouse
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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
- Defibrillator Howey Village

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 2023/24

Group	Amount £	Purpose
Howey Village Hall	800	Running costs of hall
Builth Community Support	500	Support community residents
Howey Village Hall	30	Christmas Tree

Projects

The Council was pleased to support both sections of the community by providing funding for the Builth Wells Community Support who provide hospital transport and much needed services and support to our community.

Financial Information

The Budget

The Community Council raises most of its money via the local government precept. The precept for 2023/24equated to £ this was a reduction of £

Financial Summary

Budget Heading	Actual Expenditure
	2023/24
Salary	5993
Clerk's Expenses	193
Clerk's Training	0
SLCC Subs	92
Insurance	256
Audit Fees	380
Elections	0
HOWLTA Subs	0
One Voice Wales Subs	258
Members Travel	0
Members Training	0
Members Allowance	676
Care Costs (Statutory)	0
Stationery	0
Photocopying	78
Meeting Room Hire	0
Zoom Hosting	48
Information Commissioner	35

Website	175
IT Back Up	460
Grants	530
Howey Hall Grant	800
Devolved Services	0
Miscellaneous	0
Home Working Allowance	156
Bank Charges	54
Total	10.164.77
Taken from Reserves	2000
Precept Received	9466

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 31.03.24:

Total £23,255.39

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