



Dissert & Trecoed Community Council

Annual Report

2021/22

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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 2021/22

Cllr Sue Richardson	Chair
Cllr Geraint Evans	Vice Chair
Cllr Derwyn Morgan	
Cllr Roy Blunden	
Cllr David Hillman	
Cllr Hilary Harwood	
Cllr Stuart Bridgewater	
Cllr George Price	
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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 2021/22

Group	Amount £	Purpose
Howey Village Hall	700	Running costs
Macmillan Nurses	200	Cancer care
Cwmbach Community Fund	700	Platinum Jubilee Party
Howey Village Hall	250	Christmas Tree & Lights
Cwmbach	165	Refurbishment bench & noticeboard
Bus Shelter	96	Refurbishment of bus shelter

Financial Information

The Budget

The Community Council raises most of its money via the local government precept. The precept for 2021/22 equated to £9981 this was a reduction of £2251 on 2020/21 facilitated by council reserves.

Financial Summary

Budget Heading	Budget Set 2021/22	Total Budget (Including Ear Marked Reserves)	Actual Expenditure 2021/22
Salary	5000	1000	4863
Clerk's Expenses	100	100	80
Clerk's Training	0	425	0
SLCC Subs	60	60	50
Insurance	280	280	258
Audit Fees	400	400	33
Elections	0	2500	0
HOWLTA Subs	15	15	0
One Voice Wales Subs	240	240	228
Members Travel	0	200	0
Members Training	0	700	0
Members Allowance	500	700	0
Care Costs (Statutory)	0	1000	0
Stationery	50	0	0
Photocopying	150	150	99
Meeting Room Hire	100	225	0
Zoom Hosting	150	150	36
Website	180	180	134

IT Back Up	400	400	700
Grants	700	700	1150
Howey Hall Grant	1000	1000	700
Devolved Services	500	4500	0
Miscellaneous	0	500	0
Home Working Allowance	156	156	156
Bench/Board Refurb	0		164
Bank Charges	0		18
Total	9981	11750	8536

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 31.03.22:

Earmarked	£14279.00
General	£13923.33

Next Steps

The Community Council elections were uncontested in May 2022 and the Council must co-opt 6 residents to the vacant seats.

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.)