



**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held at the Shire Hall,
on Wednesday, January 23rd, 2008 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: The Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace, The Deputy Mayor Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Roy Davies, Cllr Ros Bellamy, Cllr Fran Murphy, Cllr Hugh Towns, Cllr Christopher Parish, Cllr Dawn Wallace
Mr Roger Phillips (Town Clerk)
Mr. Christopher Plummer (Financial Officer)

Prior to the meeting, Mr Meirion Owen and Mr Sulwyn Thomas addressed the Council on the arrangements for the 2008 World Sheepdog Trials to be held at Dinefwr Park between September 11th and 14th. This would involve 23 countries and some 240 competitors. It was hoped to have a parade through the Town on Wednesday, September 10th.

Apologies: Cllr Ieuan Gwyn, Cllr Charlotte Leadbeater, Mr Des Davies (Technical Officer)

The Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace wished Cllr Gwyn a speedy recovery following his operation.

Police Matters : The Community Support Officer Rob Smith stated that enquiries were on going regarding two assaults. Other incidents including 1 of harassment and 1 firearm offence have been detected . He reported back regarding the parking of vehicles on pavements. The vehicle had to cause wilful obstruction seen by the Police before it is charged. He also stated that Sergeant Neil Jones had replaced Sergeant Paul Lewis for the foreseeable future.

Min 244 / Jan/08 The County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Ieuan Jones reported that following the public meeting called to discuss the Market Hall proposals, some trades people had handed in a petition to him to present to the County Council opposing the scheme. Gwalia have not submitted detailed plans to date.

County Cllr Jones stated that the cost of replacing the main gates and pillars would be in the region of £20,000. He had asked Mr Richard Workman to visit the site and remained hopeful that the work could be completed by June. He also reported on the meeting held with the Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace, Cllr Colin Jenkins and a representative of the Trunk Road Agency regarding placing a pelican crossing in place of the present crossing

Min 245 / Jan / 08 Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, December 15th, 2007 were read and confirmed as a true record. This was proposed by Cllr Ros Bellamy and seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Special Finance Committee Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, December 5th, 2007 were read and confirmed as a true and accurate record with the following amendment :

Re Min 223 / Dec/ 07 (3). – delete £250 for the group, £100 to the individual.

b) subsequent years – change £350 to £400 It was proposed by Cllr Ros Bellamy and was seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, January 9th, 2008 were read and confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Fran Murphy and seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting in the Council Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, January 9th, 2008 were read and confirmed as a true record with the following amendment :

Min 239 / Jan / 08 Mayor's Expenses account (20.12.07) should read £1,677.54 and not £2,677.54. It was proposed by Cllr Ros Bellamy and seconded by Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

Min 246 / Jan / 08 Matters arising from previous meetings

Re Min 223 / Dec/07 (3i) The Clerk was asked to write Mrs Griffiths, Headteacher at Tregib school to inform her of the prizes agreed by the Council. Cllr Ros Bellamy proposed and Cllr Chris Parish seconded. All were in favour.

Re. Min 229 / Jan / 08 The Clerk was asked to clarify with the CCC Planning Dept. whether Llwynhelig was in the Llandeilo Town area for planning considerations. Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed and Cllr Dawn Wallace seconded. All were in favour.

Re. Min 235/Jan/08 (6). It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Ros Bellamy that Julia Jones be co-opted onto the Council. All were in favour.

Mrs Julia Jones then signed the oath and took her place on the Council.

The Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace welcomed Mrs Jones.

Min 247/ Jan /08 To Consider Correspondence requiring a response

1. Andrew Rees CCC Licensing officer re. 44, Rhosmaen Street
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3. Mr Simon Griffiths re. 44, Rhosmaen Street
It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas and seconded by Cllr Richard Wallace that the Clerk write to the licensing department to clarify the Council's position, i.e. that the sale of alcohol should finish at 11pm on Sunday through to Thursday, and at 12 midnight on Friday and Saturday. It was up to the licensing department to decide on the appropriate drinking up time after this time. The Council wished to encourage high class premises, as proposed by the applicant, in the Town
4. CCC – Christmas Tree lights & decorations. Agreed to refer the letter to the Technical officer.
5. CCC – Footway lighting charges estimates for 2008. Noted
6. Lesley Rees CCC – recommendations requested for the Women of the Year Awards. Noted.
7. Request by Maddy Clark for a website link to the Council website. Agreed.

Min 248 / Jan/08 Correspondence for information

1. Wales View Tourist information with article on Llandeilo. Noted

2. Suzanna Van Eeghen – re contract for AIO. Noted.
3. Angharad Jones, Play Wales re. Youth volunteering grants. Noted.
4. WAG dog control orders. Noted.
5. One Voice Wales – seminar on delivering a Youth Council 5.4.08
6. One Voice Wales – re. Area meeting 24.1.08.
7. Welsh Water re forthcoming work in the Town. The Clerk reported that Welsh Water would address the Chamber of Trade in February.

Min 249/ Jan/ 08 Financial Matters.

1. Accounts for Payment

Morgan & Morgan (printer inks)	£ 90.45
CCC Footway lighting charges	£ 286.34
Technical officer (purchase of mobile phone)& £20 top up	£ 119.99
Charles Sams (toilet alarm fault)	£ 89.01

These were passed for payment. Proposed by Cllr Hugh Towns and seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas

2. Other Financial Matters

- i) Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Technical officer calculate the electricity used by a resident to be compensated for the use of the Christmas lights
- ii) A report of the Firework programme adverts was given, showing a deficit of £315. It was proposed by Cllr Ros Bellamy and seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas that a complete list of businesses be provided for the Finance Committee

Min 250 / Jan / 08 Transportation and Highway matters

1. CCC were to carry out a survey between January and March regarding residents parking. Noted.
2. A discussion took place on the proposals presented at the public meeting regarding the Market Hall. Cllr Roy Davies proposed that the Clerk write to the developers welcoming the fact that they are prepared to consult with the Council and residents. The Council feels that parking remains an issue to be resolved. Cllr Ros Bellamy seconded the proposal. All were in favour. It was proposed by Cllr Chris Parish that the Council ask County Cllr Ieuan Jones to relay the Council's concerns regarding the parking issues when he would present the trades people petition to the County Council. Cllr Ros Bellamy seconded the proposal.

Min 251/ Jan / 08 The Mayor's Report.

The Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace had sent in a report of the functions attended on behalf of the Council.

Min 252 / Jan/08 The Technical Officer's Report

The Technical Officer sent in a report to Council. He had met with Cambria regarding the archive room and recommended that the work be completed. With regards to the Charles Sams invoice for £89.01 , Mr Davies had examined the area concerned in the Shire Hall and found that the cause of the fault was dampness and that the invoice be recommended for payment.

Mr Davies had examined the benches and tables which were in need of renovation. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Ros Bellamy that the Technical Officer obtain quotations for the different means of completing the work.

Min 253 / Jan / 08 Other Reports.

1. The Procedures Subgroup. Cllr Hugh Towns proposed that the group co-opt more members in order that the necessary work could be completed earlier. It was agreed that this group would now consist of Cllr Ieuan Gwyn, Cllr Hugh Towns, Cllr Chris Parish, Cllr Ros Bellamy and the Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace.
2. The Website. Cllr Fran Murphy was given permission to carry out work on updating the site.
3. The Community Garden. It was agreed that a decision regarding the development of the garden would be taken at the February Full Council meeting. The Council would consider Cllr Fran Murphy's proposal and all others submitted by the meeting.
4. The Centenary Celebrations of Penlan park. Cllr Edward Thomas reported on the recent meeting with interested groups. The working group had appointed Miss Katie Bellamy as a press/ marketing officer to assist in promoting the occasion. The Clerk was asked to contact the grants department of Carmarthenshire CC to enquire as to whether community grants were available. Cllr Roy Davies asked that the Council recognise the need for a long term strategy regarding the Beech trees in the park.
5. It was decided to form another working party to make recommendations to Council in light of the Council's decision to support the World sheep dog trials in September 2008. The working party would consist of the Mayor Cllr Richard Wallace, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Dawn Wallace, Cllr Ros Bellamy and the Clerk

Min 254 / Jan /08Any other items of business that by reason of special circumstance, the Chair decides should be considered as a matter of urgency, pursuant to section 100B(4)(B) of the local Government Act 1972.

Cllr Hugh Towns proposed that school governing body representatives on the Council give quarterly reports at Council meetings . Cllr Edward Thomas seconded the proposal. All were in favour. It was agreed to start these reports at the February meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Richard Wallace that Council representatives attending other meetings would also report back to the Council. All were in favour.

The meeting ended at 9.30pm