

Cyngor Tref Llandeilo Fawr

Llandeilo Fawr Town Council



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held on Wednesday, March 26th 2014 in the Shire Hall, Llandeilo at 7.30 pm.

Present : The Mayor Cllr Dawn Wallace, Deputy Mayor Cllr Neil Craven-Lashley, Cllr Colin Jenkins, County Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Richard Wallace, Cllr Robert Jones, Cllr Julia Jones, Cllr Gordon Kilby, Cllr Christopher Parish, Mr Roger Phillips (Town Clerk)
Mr Christopher Plummer (Finance Officer)
Mr Des Davies (Technical Officer)

Apologies: Cllr Geraint Price

Police Matters.

PCSO Roger Anthony reported that there had been forged £20 notes being circulated in the area. Investigations were on-going .One person had been arrested for shoplifting. Another 3 persons had been banned from public houses in the town under the BOBB system, 2 were banned for 3 months, and 1 for 12 months. A complaint regarding a dog being tied up had been reported to the RSPCA.

Min 307 / Mar / 14 The County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Edward Thomas had circulated his report to Council. He stated that repairs to Crescent Road and Church Street were now completed. Repair to the Church wall was due to start as soon as the planning application process had finished. New Yellow lines had been redone following the correct conservation heritage colours and sizes. As a result of the old market zinc roof being removed an additional four parking spaces have been established. The work on Station Road was progressing well.

Min 308 / Mar /14 Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, February 22nd 2014 were read and confirmed as a true record with the following amendments :-
Min 280/Feb/14 in the sentence Part of Rhosmaen Street add *from CK's supermarket to the A40 roundabout.*

Min 282/Feb/ following the phrase- March Planning Committee Meeting *add that the Council seek independent advice from the Council's solicitors prior to entering into negotiations with the Church .*

These were proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas.

The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, March 12th 2014 were read and recommended for acceptance with the following amendments :-

Re. Min 299/Mar/14. The proposal made by Cllr Gordon Kilby was seconded by Cllr Robert Jones which was not acceptable due to Cllr Jones being a member of the PCC. Both Councillors withdrew the proposal .

The amended minutes were proposed by Cllr Richard Wallace, and seconded by Cllr Julia Jones. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, March 12th 2014 were read and recommended for acceptance with the following amendment :-

Min 300/Mar/14 Accounts for payment

Change the payment to Konica Minolta to £ 2.45Net , Vat 0.49 Total £2.94. This was proposed by Cllr Richard Wallace and seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins. All were in favour..

Min 309/ Mar /14 Matters arising from the previous meetings

Re.Min 294/Mar/14 The Planning Officer Ceri Davies had written to state that it was now their policy not to make site visits. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins seconded by Cllr Richard Wallace that the Clerk contact the Architect of the proposed development at the bottom of Thomas Terrace , Mr Craig Jones, to organise a site visit with him and the developer. All were in favour.

Re.Min 299/Mar/14 Cllr Julia Jones stated that as an error had been made on the Agenda, she proposed that the Clerk contact One Voice Wales to make enquiries as to whether a training course could be organised for the Council on meeting procedures. Neighbouring Councils could also be invited to participate. Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. All were in favour.

Min 310/ Mar/14 Correspondence that requires a response

- 1.Cllr Karen Towns re. letter of resignation due to pressure of work. Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Clerk write to thank Cllr Towns for her service. Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. All were in favour.
- 2.Town Centre Solutions conference in Welshpool. Cllr Edward Thomas would pay the registration fee to attend. It was agreed that the Council reimburse Cllr Thomas's travel expenses. Proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins , seconded by Cllr Richard Wallace.
3. HSBC Bank with notice that the branch in Llandeilo was to close. Cllr Edward Thomas proposed that the Council investigate using new providers. Cllr Colin Jenkins seconded. All were in favour.
Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Council write to HSBC to complain regarding the closure and request the return of the Old Urban District Council chain , the Council charter and other documents. Cllr Christopher Parish seconded. All were in favour.
4. R. Sully CCC Director of Education re. Nomination for Minor Authority Representative on the Ysgol Teilo Sant Governing body. Cllr Robert Jones was nominated. All were in favour.
5. Chris Burns CCC re. website development Grant. The Clerk would contact Orchardweb to forward an invoice for the restructuring of the website.

Min 311 / Mar /14 Correspondence for information

1. Aled Davies, Chair of Llandeilo Angling Club congratulating the Council on the project to renovate the Kings Bridge. Noted.
2. Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service – Annual Improvement Plan. Noted.
3. CCC Seminar on management and maintenance of Playgrounds at Stebonheath on March 11th 2014. The technical Officer and he Town Clerk had attended.
4. CCC Future Generations seminar at Trinity St Davids University on March 26th .Noted.
5. Awel Aman Tawe re EGNI project for solar panels on public buildings. Noted.

Min 312 / Mar /14 Financial Matters

1. Accounts for Payment	Net	Vat	Total
BT (phone)	£ 48.35	£ 9.67	£ 58.02*
BT (broadband)	£ 42.00	£ 8.40	£ 50.40*

David Rice Forestry DD437(garden) (Garden soil stabilisation advice)	£ 50.00		£ 50.00*
Williams Consultancy Ltd DD435 (Crescent road garden survey)	£ 200.00	£ 40.00	£ 240.00*
Des Davies (course travel expenses)	£ 18.00		£ 18.00#
WCVA (payroll admin March)	£ 20.25	£ 4.05	£ 24.30*
Ar y Gair (translations)	£ 245.85		£ 245.85*

Method of payment * Bacs #cheque

These were all recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Julia Jones. All were in favour.

- Llandeilo Literature Festival. Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Council donate £225 towards providing a children's entertainer for the Festival. Cllr Julia Jones seconded. The Clerk would book Circus Dayze as the entertainer.

Min 313 / March / 14 Transportation and Highway issues.

Concern was expressed at the marked loading area at the entrance to Crescent Road. People were using this as a general drop off point. Mr John McAvoy, CCC traffic manager was to be informed.

Min 314 / Mar/ 14 A report on CCC's meeting with the Town Council regarding Asset Transfer .

Following a very informative presentation by Mr Paul Murray, CCC Parks Manager it was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins that representatives from the Bowls Club and the Tennis Clubs be invited to the next meeting with CCC. All were in favour.

Min 315 / Mar / 14 Llandeilo in Bloom

The Mayor raised the need for Llandeilo to expand the Flower planting around the Town. She was grateful to LBS and Nice Price News for providing some sponsorship, and hoped that other businesses could also assist with sponsorship. Cllr Geraint Price had assisted with the planters in the main car park.

Cllr Wallace proposed that the Council seek assistance from other organisations including Cymdeithas y Dalar, the Business Forum and invite volunteers to help with the care and planting of more flowers at the Railway Station. Cllr Geraint Price seconded. All were in favour.

Min 316 / Mar /14 The Technical Officer's Report

Mr Davies had circulated a comprehensive report to Members. Mr Davies asked if the Christmas lights subgroup could meet to arrange this year's event. It was agreed that the subgroup consisting of Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Colin Jenkins and Cllr Geraint Price would meet on Tuesday April 8th at 7pm.

Cllr Neil Craven-Lashley stated that the Fireworks subgroup consisting of Cllr Christopher Parish, Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Gordon Kilby would meet on Monday April 7th at 7pm.

The Technical Officer would seek advice from HSG regarding as to whether it was possible to use eco- type sleepers for the garden as a retaining barrier.

Mr Davies was waiting for quotations for the scaffolding required to examine the cause of dampness from the roof of Shire hall.

Mr Davies had been quoted a price of £262.55 for an electrical isolator switch to be used in emergencies in Shire Hall. It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Robert Jones that Mr Davies purchase this equipment. All were in favour.

Min 317 / Mar / 14 The Mayor's Report

Cllr Dawn Wallace gave a report on the functions attended by herself on behalf of the Council.

Min 318 / Mar / 14 Other reports

1. Subgroup to commemorate the start of World War 1.

Cllr Gordon Kilby had circulated a written report on the proposal for a commemorative stone to indicate the commencement of World War 1. Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr Gordon Kilby, Cllr Robert Jones and Cllr Julia Jones for their work in producing costings and details of the approvals required for the Council to consider. Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. The cost would be in excess of £3,300.

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Council reject the commemorative stone project due to the fact that the cost of the stonework was much greater than the sum budgeted by the Council.

Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. This was carried.

Cllr Richard Wallace proposed that the Council purchase one or two benches that would carry inscriptions to mark the start of the War in 2014.

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Council suspend Standing Orders 6B for a total of 15 minutes to complete Council business.

Cllr Richard Wallace proposed that one of these would be placed on Church land close to the site of the Christmas Tree. Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. All were in favour. The Technical Officer stated that a bench from the Glasdon Heritage range would be the most appropriate bench.

It was proposed by Cllr Julia Jones, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas that the Clerk write to Mr Ieuan Rees and Mr Humberstone to thank them for submitting quotations for the commemorative stone.

2. The Summer Events at Penlan Park subgroup report.

The Clerk gave an update on the arrangements made to date regarding this year's event at Penlan Park on June 14th

Entertainment booked to date included the Carmarthen Symphonic Wind Band and Circus Dayze. The Llandeilo CP school choir was to be invited to take part together with the Llandeilo Town Band and the Tenovus sing along choir.

The Technical Officer had obtained quotations for two gazebos measuring 3 x 4.5 metres at an estimated total cost of £600.

These could be used by the Council for a variety of community events.

It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Julia Jones that the Council purchase the said gazebos. All were in favour.

Min 319/ Mar /14 There were no 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.

Meeting ended 8.55 pm