

Cyngor Tref Llandeilo Fawr

Llandeilo Fawr Town Council



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

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

Apologies: The Deputy Mayor Cllr Gordon Kilby

Police Matters.

PCSO Roger Anthony reported that some travelling criminals had been deceiving people of money .They were eventually caught on the M4 travelling back to Derby, England. Two drug raids were carried out on properties, one in Bridge Street and one in Rhosmaen Street. A flag had been stolen from the rear of the primary school.

Cllr Dawn Wallace raised the problem of people parking on zig zag lines and double yellow lines. Councillors also expressed their concern at vehicles speeding in Carmarthen Road.

Min 202 / Nov / 14 The County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Edward Thomas had circulated his report to Council. He reported on the various issues in the Town that he had raised on behalf of the Council with John McEvoy, CCC Transport Manager. Cllr Geraint Price stated that some of the area in the top car park was not owned by CCC. Cllr Thomas would arrange to meet with Hywel Humphries, CCC to clarify the position. An inspector from the CCC environmental department was monitoring dog fouling in New Road.

Cllr Thomas asked Councillors to inform him of any empty private houses in the Town. CCC was undertaking a survey to find out how many could be brought back into habitable use.

Min 203 / Nov /14 Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, October 22nd 2014 were read and confirmed as a true record with the following amendment :-
Re Min 175/Oct/14 change recorded delivery to signed for service.

This was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Christopher Parish. All were in favour.

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

Min 188/Nov/14 change this was carried by 4 votes for to 2 against to – the motion was carried. Cllr Neil Craven –Lashley and Cllr Colin Jenkins declared an interest and did not vote.

This was proposed by Cllr Christopher Parish, 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, November 12th 2014 were read and recommended for acceptance with the following amendments :-

Add the name of Mr Christopher Plummer to those present.

Re Min199/Oct/14.2 Add Cllr Neil Craven-Lashley declared an interest and signed the Book of Declaration of Interest.

This was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Julia Jones. All were in favour.

Min 204/ Nov /14 Matters arising from the previous meetings

Re Min 177/Oct/14 & Min 178/Nov/14 Cllr Christopher Parish stated that he had been unable to attend meetings on behalf of the Council due to illness.

Min 205/ Nov /14 Transportation & Highways

Cllr Colin Jenkins reported that posters had been placed all over the Town without permission by the owner of the Angel Inn, Salem. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the Clerk write to Street Scene to complain. Cllr Dawn Wallace seconded.

Min 206 / Nov /14 Correspondence that requires a response

1. Wendy Walters ,CCC Christmas Toy Box appeal.

It was proposed by Cllr Julia Jones that a donation of £25 be made to the appeal. Cllr Colin Jenkins seconded. All were in favour.

2. Aled Betts, Assistant Librarian, National Library of Wales, regarding an invitation for the Library to archive the Council's Website.

It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Eifion Davies to give permission to the national Library to archive the website. All were in favour.

3. Emily Thomas, CCC Property Officer re. details of the Asset Transfer costs.

Following a discussion it was agreed to offer the date of Wednesday, January 7th for the CCC Asset Transfer Team to address the Council at 7.00pm

Min 207 / Nov /14 Correspondence for information

1. Ann Dymock- Invitation from Age Cymru to attend their AGM on Wednesday, December 3rd at 10.00am. Noted.

2. Llandeilo Country Market. It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas that representatives of the Country Market be invited to give a short presentation to the Council. Cllr Eifion Davies seconded All were in favour.

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that this be done between the Planning and Finance Committee meetings on January 14th 2015.Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. All were in favour.

3. Sarah Powell CCC re. appeal for volunteers to assist with the Country Cars scheme. It was agreed that the appeal be advertised on the Council website.

4. Llinos Evans re. the CCC Budget & Liaison Forum. Details of dates. Noted.

Min 208 / Nov /14 Financial Matters

1. Accounts for Payment	Net	Vat	Total
Des Davies (mobile phone top up)	£ 20.00		£ 20.00#
Charles B Sams Electrical DD472 (fireworks)	£ 285.00	£ 57.00	£ 342.00*
One Voice Wales (course fees)	£ 60.00		£ 60.00*
Gary Ash DD469 (transport use for fireworks)	£ 60.00		£ 60.00#
Pendragon Fireworks DD460	£ 3,750.00	£ 750.00	£ 4,500.00

SD Thomas DD473 (PA plus entertainment)	£ 250.00	£ 250.00#
Gerwyn's Fruit & Veg(Christmas Tree)DD468	£ 300.00	£ 300.00#
Ar Y Gair (translations)	£ 215.80	£ 215.80*

It was agreed to with-hold the payment to Pendragon Fireworks until the invoice errors were corrected.

Method of payment * Bacs #cheque . dd direct debit.

These were all recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Christopher Parish and seconded by Cllr Geraint Price. All were in favour.

2. Other Financial Matters

i) Three Year Budget Forecast.

The Finance Officer presented this forecast to Council. It was agreed that this remain unchanged at this present time. The Chair, Cllr Colin Jenkins, asked Members to study the data in advance of the special Budget Meeting on December 3rd .

ii) Report of the Finance Subgroup .

The Finance Officer presented this report to Council. Noted.

Min 209 / Nov / 14 Planning Matters

1 . Planning Application Decisions

E/29582 Proposed residential development (5 No. dwellings) including integral garages at (warehouse site) on land adjacent to Thomas Terrace

REFUSED

It was agreed that the Clerk contact the Planning Officer for the reasons why this application was refused.

E/31071 Proposed single storey extension to the ear/side of the existing premises at Llandeilo Firestation, Carmarthen Road

GRANTED

2. Reasons for the refusal of Planning Application E/30807 shops in Market Street.

The Planning Officer provided the following response :-

It is the policy not to grant consent for proposals in a conservation area which would adversely affect existing building structures, open spaces and other features which make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area. Noted.

3. The Licence Extensions at the White Horse Inn and Ginhaus.

Following observations made to the CCC Licensing Department, the Council had received copies of the CCC Licensing Policy, including the four criteria for licensing objections.

i)Ginhaus

Following the information received, Cllr Rob Jones proposed that the Council withdraws its observations to the extension to 11.30pm. Ginhaus was already in possession of a licence for on and off sales of alcohol from 0800 hours. Cllr Christopher Parish seconded. All were in favour.

Cllr Neil Craven- Lashley had signed the Book of Declaration of Interest and did not take part in the discussion or voting. Cllr Colin Jenkins did not vote.

ii) The White Horse .

It was proposed by Cllr Christopher Parish, seconded by Cllr Julia Jones that the Council object to the extension past 12 midnight on Saturday evening into Sunday on the grounds of Licensing Objection 3 i.e. Prevention of Public Nuisance.

Additional comment : There are residential properties in the neighbouring vicinity and

11.30pm should be the designated closing time.

All were in favour. County Councillor Edward Thomas did not vote.

It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Rob Jones that the Procedures Subgroup further examine the CCC Licensing Policy. All were in favour.

Min 210 / Nov/14 Asset Transfer

The Clerk had circulated information received from CCC regarding the annual maintenance costs for Penlan Park and the different facilities within Parc Le Conquet.

It was agreed to invite the CCC Asset Transfer Team to meet with the Council on Wednesday January 7th 2015 at 7pm

Min 211 / Nov /14 The Technical Officer's Report

Mr Davies had circulated a report to Members in advance of the meeting. Mr Davies stated that the Llandeilo Town Band had requested the use of the Council's amplifier for their forthcoming concert. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas that permission be granted at a charge of £1.00. All were in favour.

The Mayor thanked the Technical Officer for overseeing the erection of the Christmas lights and resolving the issue of the illumination period with the Church.

Min 212 / Nov/14 Bilingual Signs

Cllr Robert Jones proposed that in future all banners and signs be checked for accuracy prior to them being displayed in public places. A recent banner used for the fireworks display had several grammatical errors in the Welsh content. Cllr Eifion Davies seconded. All were in favour.

Minute 213 / Nov /14 The Mayor's report

The Mayor Cllr Neil Craven-Lashley presented a report of all the events and functions he had attended on behalf of the Council.

He also reported that it was pleasing to find that there were now no empty shops in Rhosmaen Street, which was a good sign for attracting visitors to the Town.

The Mayor announced that the winners of the Christmas window competition were as follows :-

First Prize £50 Heavenly

Second Prize £ 30 Hugh Williams Solicitors

Third Prize £ 20 Cutting Edge

It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas that the Finance Officer reimburse the Mayor's Account. All were in favour.

Cllr Neil Craven - Lashley wished to thank all shops and businesses for making the Town so attractive.

The first concert for the new Llandeilo Singers had been a great success.

Minute 214/ Nov /14 Other Reports

1. Fireworks Subgroup

Cllr Christopher Parish read a verbal report. He stated that the subgroup recommended that a programme be produced next year despite the work involved in compiling it.

It was proposed by Cllr Christopher Parish, seconded by Cllr Geraint Price that a programme be produced for next year's Firework display . All were in favour .The Pendragon

Fireworks Company had produced a very attractive display of 25 minutes. He thanked the Technical Officer for all his hard work prior to the event and in the clean-up on Saturday Morning. The Town Band was an added improvement to the entertainment as well as the Old School Band.

The Finance Officer reported that the gate takings were £ 2,935.68.

The following donations were agreed :-

- i) Llandeilo Town Band £ 100
- ii) St Johns Ambulance £ 30
- iii) Llandeilo YFC £ 100

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed the suspension of Standing Orders 6B for 5 minutes to conclude the business of the Council.

2. The Christmas Lights Subgroup was deferred to the next Full Council Meeting on 10th December.

Min 215/ Nov /14 Other items of business that by reason of special circumstances, the Chair decides should be considered as a matter of urgency, pursuant to Section 100B(4)(B) of the local Government Act 1972

The Mayor wished to congratulate Heavenly, the Plough Inn and Huw Rees Bridal wear on their recent awards.

Meeting ended 9.35 pm