

Cyngor Tref Llandeilo Fawr

Llandeilo Fawr Town Council



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held on Wednesday, June 22nd 2016 in the Shire Hall, Llandeilo at 7.30 pm.

Present : The Mayor Cllr Colin Jenkins, The Deputy Mayor Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Gordon Kilby, Cllr Julia Jones, Cllr Dawn Wallace, Cllr Geraint Price, County Councillor Edward Thomas, Cllr Richard Wallace.
Mr Roger Phillips (Town Clerk)
Mr Christopher Plummer (Finance Officer)
Mr Desmond Davies (Technical Officer)

Apologies: Cllr Carol Watts, Cllr Robert Jones.

Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Eifion Davies, member of Llandeilo Football Club and signed the Book of Declarations of Interest.

Mr Desmond Davies, Llandeilo Public Hall Secretary, signed the Book of Declarations of Interest.

Police Matters.

PCSO Roger Anthony reported that another accident had occurred in King Street when a driver had not engaged the car's hand-break. A resident had been evicted from Bro Hywel.

Min 90 / June / 16 The County Councillor's Report

Cllr Edward Thomas had circulated his report in advance of the Meeting. Cllr Thomas stated that Work on converting the Civic Centre to accommodate the library would commence of June 27th and the library will move in September.

New benches are to be installed in the Crescent Road car park. SWTRA have undertaken car cutting of verges on the A40 and the A483.

Mr Ton Stephens a specialist Autistic Teacher at Ysgol Bro Dinefwr would like to make Llandeilo 'an autistic friendly town' and he would be happy to address the Council on his plans. It was agreed to invite Mr Stephens to address Council at 7.00pm on July 27th at 7.00pm prior to the Full Council meeting

Min 91 / June / 16 Previous Minutes.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, May 25th 2016 were read and confirmed as a true record.

This was proposed by Cllr Richard Wallace, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Friday, May 27th were read and confirmed as a true record.

This was proposed by Cllr Eifion Davies, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Resumed Annual Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, June 8th were read and confirmed as a true record with the following amendment :-
To add the name of Cllr Edward Thomas and the Town Clerk to the Shire Hall Working group.
All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Planning & General Purposes Committee meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, June 8th 2016 were read and recommended for acceptance with the following amendment :

Change the name Cllr Geraint Price to Cllr Gordon Kilby as Vice Chair of the Planning Committee.

This was proposed by Cllr Julia Jones, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held in the Chamber at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, June 8th 2016 were read and recommended for acceptance.

This was proposed by Cllr Eifion Davies, seconded by Cllr Gordon Kilby. All were in favour.

Min 92 / June / 16 There were no matters arising from previous meeting

Min 93 / June / 16 Correspondence that required a response

1. Ken Murphy, DAT giving 12 months notice of termination of the lease. It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Cllr Gordon Kilby that a letter be sent to thank the Trust for their loyalty and good working relationships between them and the Council.
2. Siobhan Kelleher re. poor state of the Churchyard. Cllr Gordon Kilby thanked Cllr Dawn Wallace for her initial efforts in succeeding to get the Community Service involved in the graveyard Maintenance. Unfortunately there were fewer people involved in the scheme at present. The Clerk was requested to reply to Siobhan Kelleher.
3. Nigel Williams re. complaint about overgrown border at the rear of the Chemists' property. Cllr Edward Thomas stated that some of this area has already been designated for work to be done by CCC. He would investigate the complaint.
4. Cllr Dawn Wallace request to purchase plants for the Llandeilo in bloom. Cllr Geraint Price proposed that a budget of maximum £200 be given to Cllr Wallace to purchase low maintenance shrubs for the car park area. Cllr Colin Jenkins seconded. All were in favour.
5. Organica request to remove the flag from the property. Cllr Edward Thomas proposed that the flag be taken down. Cllr Richard Wallace seconded. All were in favour.

Min 94 / June / 16 Correspondence for Information

1. The Finance Officer's 2015/ 16 Year End Financial Report. The Mayor thanked Mr Plummer for the comprehensive report.
2. Peter Williams, Llandeilo RFC confirming permission for the 2016 Firework Display on Friday, November 4th 2016. Noted
3. Guy Draper, Llandeilo Community First Responder Group thanks for the Council donation. Noted.
4. Emily Thomas reply stating that the Council's wish to nominate Penlan Park and Park Le Conquet in the Fields of Trust has been sent to the County Solicitors. Noted.
5. Llandeilo Business Page. Noted.
6. Mayor's invitation to attend the Amman Valley Hospital Fete. Noted.
7. Llandovery YFC Summer Ball. Noted.

Min 95 / June /16 Financial Matters

1. Accounts for payment.

	Net	Vat	Total
1415 Ltd (flags)	£ 126.80	£ 25.36	£ 152.16*
BT Phone (dd)	£ 44.76	£ 9.95	£ 59.71*
BT Broadband (dd)	£ 47.30	£ 9.46	£ 56.76*
Ar y Gair (translations)	£ 39.60		£ 39.60*
Ar y Gair (translations)	£ 10.00		£ 10.00*

dd – direct debit. * bacs # cheque

These were recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Richard Wallace and seconded by Cllr Geraint Price. All were in favour.

2. Audit 2015/16.

The Finance Officer reported on the completion of this year's Audit. The Internal Auditor had approved the accounts with no matters to be drawn to the attention of the Council. The Mayor signed the Audit document.

3. Other Financial Matters.

- i) Cost of Annual Membership of SLCC- the Clerk's Society - £118. Proposed by Cllr Eifion Davies, seconded by Cllr Julia Jones that this be paid by standing order. All were in favour.
- ii) Cost of Annual Membership of One Voice Wales- £286. Proposed by Cllr Richard Wallace, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace that this be paid. All were in favour.
- iii) Cost of hire of tables & chairs for Penlan Park from Absolute Marquees- £286. It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Geraint Price that this be paid. All were in favour.

Min 96/ May /16. To vote on the three propositions made by the Shire hall Management Group.

The following three options were presented to Council as future plans for Shire Hall.

- i) Take no further action. To remain as Status Quo.
- ii) To actively seek to sell Shire hall.
- iii) To seek alternative tenants and uses for the building in whole or in part.

It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Eifion Davies that a recorded named vote be taken. All were in favour.

Each Councillor was given 2 minutes to express their personal views prior to voting.

The Votes cast were as follows

- Option 1 No votes in favour.
Option 2 Cllr Geraint Price stated that this was a possibility. No other votes cast.
Option 3 The following were in favour : - Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Gordon Kilby, Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Richard Wallace, Cllr Dawn Wallace, Cllr Julia Jones, Cllr Geraint Price.

It was agreed that the Management group consider this outcome at its next meeting.

Min 97 / June / 16 Transportation & Highways

1. Ken Skates, AM reply to Cllr Edward Thomas's concerns regarding lack of progress with a future bypass. Noted

Min 98 / June /16 The Technical Officer's Report

Mr Davies had circulated a report to Members in advance of the meeting. He stated that an order had been issued for Mr Bacon to carry out an annual service on the Church clock. The annual safety checks were to be carried out this week on the Council's fire extinguishers.

Min 99 / June / 16 To consider the co-option of persons onto the Town Council

The Council had received requests from three people to be co-opted onto the Town Council. They were Rebecca Butcher, Owen James and Steven Bird. It was agreed that a ballot be carried out to fill the two present vacancies.

The two candidates with most votes were Rebecca Butcher and Owen James. It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by the Deputy Mayor that these two be invited onto the Town Council at the next Full Council Meeting .The Clerk was asked to write to all three thanking them for their interest.

Min 100 / June/ 16 To consider the purchase of electronic equipment for each Councillor to use for Council business

The Finance Officer was in negotiations with Easy PC to find out the most appropriate device for Councillors. Considering the purchase of such devices was seen as important to improve the efficiency of the Council's work in the face of increasing legislation being imposed onto Town Councils and especially to reduce the amount of paper documents photocopied for Council meetings.

The Finance Officer would bring further information to Council as soon as possible. Noted.

It was proposed by Cllr Geraint Price seconded by Cllr Richard Wallace to suspend Standing Orders 6B for 15 minutes to complete Council business.

Min 101/ June /16 Mayor's Report

Cllr Colin Jenkins circulated a list of the functions attended by himself on behalf of the Council during the past month. They included:-

May 27 th	Llandeilo Mayor Making
June 3 rd	The three Parks Run.
June 4 th	The Historic Parks and gardens of Carmarthenshire.
June 7 th	Reception for Llandeilo AFC
June 10 th	Rotary Club – Ploughman's Lunch.
June 19 th	Attended launch of Christians against Poverty scheme at St Teilo's Church

Min 102 / June / 16 There were no other Reports

Min 103 / June / 16 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 reminded all who were available to help at the Penlan Park event on Saturday to meet at 10.00am.

The Mayor wished to send the Council's best wishes to the Clerk's wife for a speedy recovery following her operation.

Meeting closed at 9.35pm