

Cyngor Tref Llandeilo Fawr

Llandeilo Fawr Town Council



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held on Wednesday, October 23rd 2019 in the Dyfed Archaeological Trust Committee Room, Llandeilo at 7.30 pm.

Present : Mayor Cllr Owen James, Deputy Mayor Cllr Robert Jones
Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Dawn Wallace,
Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Gordon Kilby,
Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Christopher Parish,
Cllr Kevin Sivyver, Cllr Christoph Fischer.
Mr Roger Phillips (Town Clerk)
Mr Christopher Plummer (Finance Officer)

Apologies: Cllr Lesley Prosser.

Police Matters.

PCSO Donovan Kerr stated that a local resident had been released from prison, but would reappear in court very soon on another charge. She had been given a fresh tenancy as a trial residency.

There were very few other incidents in the Town.

Min 184 / Oct/ 19 Declaration of Interests. None.

Min 185 / Oct / 19 The County Councillor's Report

Cllr Edward Thomas had circulated his report in advance of the Meeting. Cllr Thomas stated that Llandeilo had been selected as one of the Carmarthenshire 10 Rural Towns to develop medium and long term plans. A company would provide support.

Cllr Thomas had met with CCC Executive Officers to prepare a plan to resolve some of the problems with loading/ unloading bays in Rhosmaen Street.

The Traffic Enforcement Van will not be used after 5.00pm..

Cllr Thomas was working with Keep Wales Tidy to have a hub in the Town to store litter pickers bags.

Capita are to organise a 3 day consultation for the public to view the second stage of the transport plan/bypass in the first week of December.

Min 186 / Oct / 19 Previous Minutes.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Dyfed Archaeological Trust Committee Room on Wednesday, September 25th 2019 were read and confirmed as a true record with the following amendment :-

Re: in the Finance Committee meeting minutes add the phrase be removed after four absent councillors as each had given their apologies in advance of the meeting.

This was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Christoph Fischer. All were in favour.

The Minutes of the Planning and General Purposes Committee Meeting held in the Dyfed Archaeological Trust Committee Room on Wednesday, October 9th 2019 were read and confirmed as a true record with the following amendment :-

Min 170 / Oct /19 The number of the Listed building application in Abbeyfield is E/39461.

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

The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held in the Dyfed Archaeological Trust Committee Room on Wednesday, October 9th 2019 were read and recommended for acceptance. It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

Min 187/ Oct / 19 Matters arising from previous meetings.

Re. Min 161/ Sept/ 19. Cllr Edward Thomas stated that the Civic Trust would organise the fund raising for the Rachel Barrett plaque. Noted.

Min 188 / Oct /19 Correspondence that requires a response

1. Anne Dymock, Age Cymru Sir Gar re. report & Advice for older people in Carmarthenshire. Noted.
2. One Voice Wales re. Welsh Government workshop on Diversity in Democracy. Liberty Stadium 13th November. Deputy Mayor Robert Jones declared interest in attending on behalf of the Council.
3. Chair of Carmarthenshire County Council Kevin Madge appeal for support for the County's Food Banks. A donation of £50 was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Christopher Parish.
Cllr Christoph Fischer proposed an amendment of £100, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas. The amendment was carried by 8 votes to 2 votes. There was one absension.
4. Cllr Edward Thomas re. presentation to Mr Desmond Davies for his 15 years of service. He proposed a gift up to the value of £150. Cllr Robert Jones seconded. All were in favour.
5. Bernadette Tunney request under the freedom of information for details on the External Audit reports between 2010-2019. The Clerk would reply to state that all the information was on the Council's website. Noted.
6. Talking News request for financial support. As there was no financial report, the Clerk would seek more information.

Min 189 / Oct / 19 Correspondence for information

1. Wendi Patience One Voice Wales re. the Understanding Welsh Places website. Noted.

Min 190 / Oct / 19 Financial Matters

1.Accounts for payment.

	Net	Vat	Total
EDF (tennis pavilion electricity)	£14.04	£ 0.70	£ 14.74
Ar y Gair (translation)	£21.00		£ 21.00

- cheque * bacs. These were recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

Min 191/ Oct/19 Other Financial Matters

1. Requests for Financial Support

a) Llandeilo & District Sports Association.

Cllr Edward Thomas declared an interest in this item, signed the Book of Declarations of Interest and took no part in the discussion. Mr Christopher Plummer also declared an interest, signed the Book of Declarations of Interest and again did not take part in the discussion.

Cllr Robert Jones proposed the budgeted amount of £2,000 to the organisation. Cllr Colin Jenkins seconded. All were in favour.

b) Ysgol Meithrin Fairfach

Cllr Robert Jones proposed a donation of £150 (Band B). Cllr Christopher Parish seconded. All were in favour.

c) Llanelli Youth Club for the deaf.

It was proposed by Cllr Geraint Price, seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins that no donations be made at this time. This was carried with 3 absentions.

2) It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins that a donation of £500 be made to support the Welsh National Sheepdog Trials held in Llandeilo on August 1st -3rd August. All were in favour.

3) Quarterly Checks.

Cllr Edward Thomas, Chair of Finance reported that the following checks had been carried out :-

BP58	Morgan & Morgan	Min 130	£ 57.85
BP 63	JWThomas	Min 117	£ 150.00
BP 48	Hugh Gwynne	Min 117	£ 1,272.96
CHQ	102308 Tenovus	Min 163	£ 200.00
Visa	RELM	Min 150	£ 68.40
BP77	Charles Sams	Min 149	£ 234.00
BP84	Colin Jenkins	Min 149	£ 7.37
BP89	Hugh Gwynne	Min 149	£ 1,185.60
BP99	Zurich Insurance	Min 150	£ 3,891.56
BP105	Castell Howell	Min 160	£ 189.47

Cllr Thomas reported that all items had been correctly minuted and authorised by Council.

Min 192 / Oct/ 19 To consider the appointment of a Facilities Officer

The report and recommendations from the Procedures subgroup were circulated.

The proposed position is permanent for 5 hours per week at SP 16 rising to SP 20 in April 2020

The closing date for applications would be November 26th and interviews would be held on December 3rd

It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Kevin Sivyer that this post be advertised as described. All were in favour.

Min 193 / Oct /19 Transportation & Highway issues.

1. Carmarthen Road Recycling Site. Correspondence from Carmarthenshire County Council with notice that this site would close due to the development of the Old Market Hall.

The following sites would be recommended to CCC for consideration for recycling :-

The main car park and the top car park in Carmarthen Road.

2. Desmond Davies re missing gate near the King's Bridge.

Correspondence had been received from the Rights of Way officer stating that the gate had been retrieved from the river and reinstalled. Noted.

Min 194/ Oct / 19 Mayor's Report.

Cllr Owen James gave a report of events attended on behalf of the Council during the past month :-

- 3rd October- Attended fashion show in the Plough, raising money for St Teilo's Church.
- 4th October Meeting in the Cawdor to book the 2020 Mayor's Dinner on Friday 22nd May.
- 4th October The Mayor and the Clerk signed the Parc Le Conquet lease with the Solicitor.
- 6th October Assisted with the anchor testing for the Christmas lights with Cllr Edward Thomas Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Kevin Sivyver, Cllr Christoph Fischer and the Clerk.
- 9th October Attended the Cymdeithas y Dalar AGM.
- 10th October Attended 'Chairing Skills ' course with OVW.
- 11th October Attended the Bowls Club awards evening at the White Hart.
- 16th October Attended the 'Ten Towns' Carmarthenshire initiative in Llandovery with Cllr Edward Thomas.
- 19th October Attended Cllr Gordon Kilby's charity concert for Tenovus and Cancer Research Wales in St Mary's Church, Swansea.
- 19th October The Mayoress attended the Tenovus ladies lunch with guest speaker, Lucy Owen.

Min 195/ Oct / 19 Other Reports

1.Procedures Subgroup Report.

- i) It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas that the recommendation of the subgroup be accepted and that a Technical Officer be appointed. Cllr Robert Jones seconded. All were in favour.
- ii) The new Technical Officer would be employed for 5 hours per week. Proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins. All were in favour.

2.Parks Management Committee Meeting 15th October 2019.

Cllr Edward Thomas and the Clerk had met with Stuart Quick CCC along the Crescent.

- a) Ash dieback was noticed on trees owned by two private landowners. It was agreed that letters be sent to the landowners making them aware of their responsibilities
- b) It was agreed that information on Ash Dieback be put onto the Council website. Proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Christopher. All in favour.
- c) It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas that Cllr Hugh Gwynne be contacted for a quotation to lop the young hazel and willow trees on the Council allotment. All in favour.
- d) Stuart Quick was to provide a quotation to remove four of the benches and tables from the Crescent, resurface the pavement and reinstate with three new benches.
- e) It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Christopher Parish that the quotation from Extreme Tree services to provide a cherry picker to inspect the beech trees at a cost of £250. All were in favour.
- f) It was agreed to ask Charles Sams for advice on appropriate external lights for Parc Le Conquet. All were in favour.

Min 196 / Oct / 19 Notice of Motion. Addition to Standing Orders 1(d)

“Councillors and Staff are expected to attend all meetings they are summoned to; however, circumstances do occur when they are unable to attend. Councillors and Staff are respectively asked to contact the Clerk by 9am on the day of the meeting to tender their apologies preferably by sending an email. The Clerk will record their absence.”

Proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Gordon Kilby. All were in favour

Min197/ Oct / 19 There were no 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.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm