

Cyngor Tref Llandeilo Fawr

Llandeilo Fawr Town Council



Minutes of the Virtual Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held on Wednesday, Sept 23rd 2020 in Llandeilo at 7.30pm

Present : Mayor Cllr Owen James, Deputy Mayor Cllr Robert Jones
Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Christoph Fischer,
Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Dawn Wallace, Cllr Christopher Parish,
Cllr Kevin Sivyer, Cllr Lesley Prosser,
Mr Roger Phillips (Town Clerk)
Mr Christopher Plummer (Finance Officer)
Mr Eifion Jones (Facilities Officer)

Apologies: Cllr Gordon Kilby (Church duties)
Cllr Geraint Price (work commitments).

There were no Police Matters.

Min 64 / Sept / 20 There were no Declaration of Interests.

Min 65 / Sept / 20 The County Councillor's Report

Cllr Edward Thomas had circulated his report in advance of the Meeting. WelTAG 2 consultations have been set up and he urged all Councillors to attend one of these. A local resident continues to cause problems of violence in her neighbourhood and has been served with an ASBO.

Parents taking children to the primary schools are continuing to cause parking issues despite all requests not to block residents' driveways.

Some residents living near Station Road have expressed concern with a business in the old Carmarthen Farmers Building applying for a liquor licence between 11am to 23.00pm. The Town Council has not received notification of this.

The fabric of the Scouts Hall continues to deteriorate and CCC have been asked for comment. Cllr Thomas has advised local businesses that authorities are carrying out spot checks to ensure that they are abiding with current Covid regulations

Cllr Thomas reported that the latest Llandeilo air quality report showed a 60% improvement during the first two months of the lockdown.

Cllr Thomas has requested that CCC carry out a review regarding disabled access to the parks. The school crossing patrol has been removed due to issues with social distancing. The Puffin Crossing will be used by parents.

Min 66 / Sept / 20 Previous Minutes.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in remotely in Llandeilo on Wednesday, August 19th 2020 were read and confirmed as a true record. This was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Lesley Prosser. All were in favour.

Min 67 / Sept / 20 matters arising from previous meetings

Re Min 55/ Aug/ 20 Cllr Edward Thomas stated that a new lock had been fitted to the flagpole.

Re. Min 59 / Aug/ 20 Cllr Christoph Fischer raised the need to support the businesses to boost their Christmas trade. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace that the Town lights be switched on as soon as possible prior to the Christmas Tree being switched on Tuesday December 1st. All were in favour.

Re. Min 59.2/ Aug / 20. The Clerk confirmed that Pendragon had agreed to postpone the Firework Display until 2021.

Min 68 / Sept / 20 Correspondence

a) . Planning Applications

PL/00216 Replacement rear single storey lean to extension at 19, Church Street.

There were no observations.

b). Planning Application Decisions

a) E/40649 Single & Double Storey Extensions at 17, Diana Road. GRANTED.

b) E/40763 Construction of 2 storey extension to side of house at 9, Carmarthen Road GRANTED.

c) E/40517 Single Storey Extension at 10, Crescent Road GRANTED.

c) Notification of Licence Application - Co-op Rhosmaen Street

Minor variation application to amend internal layout of premises. No objections.

c) Other Correspondence

i). CCC Revised Local Development Plan 2018-2033. Noted.

ii). A483/ Llandeilo & Ffairfach Transport Study WelTAG Stage 2 consultation. Noted.

iii) Nia Stoakes re. BT proposal to remove public Payphone. The Current one had 10 calls made from it over the last year. It was proposed by Cllr Owen James, seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins that this be removed. All were in favour.

iv) Stuart Quick CCC requesting the Council's decisions regarding the stored skate ramp. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Christopher Parish that the apparatus be offered free of charge to Llandovery who had a skate park. All were in favour.

v) Dani Lee had contacted the Council to request that the Council consider making a donation towards a planning application so that her mural/ noticeboard could be erected in the alley off Rhosmaen Street. It was proposed by Cllr Christoph Fischer, seconded by Cllr Robert Jones that the Council pay for the planning application at a cost of £195. There were 8 votes for the motion and 2 votes against. The motion was carried.

Min 69 / Sept / 20 Financial Matters

1.Accounts for payment for September 2020

	Net	Vat	Total
Hugh Gwynne (DD 604PLQ) bins Aug	£ 100.00	£ 20.00	£ 120.00
Hugh Gwynne (DD604 PP) bins Aug	£ 100.00	£ 20.00	£ 120.00
Hugh Gwynne (DD 604PLQ) grass Aug	£ 1,800.00	£ 360.00	£ 2,160.00

Hugh Gwynne (DD604PP) grass Aug	£ 1,800.00	£ 360.00	£ 2,160.00
Hugh Gwynne (footpaths)	£ 300.00	£ 60.00	£ 360.00
EDF Energy (bowls pavilion)	£ 38.68	£ 1.91	£ 40.61
EDF (tennis pavilion)	£ 18.84	£ 0.94	£ 19.78
Orchardweb (website updates)	£ 110.00		£ 110.00
Mr Flag (new British flag	£ 57.29	£ 11.46	£ 68.75

dd- direct debit # - cheque * bacs. These were recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour

Min 70 / Sept / 20 Previous accounts for payment as agreed under Minute 21 – special powers in May 2020

	Net	Vat	Total
Hugh Gwynne (DD604PLQ) bins April)	£ 80.00	£ 16.00	£ 96.00
Hugh Gwynne (DD 604PP) bins April)	£ 80.00	£ 16.00	£ 96.00
Hugh Gwynne (DD 604PLQ) grass April	£ 1,414.40	£ 282.88	£ 1,697.28
Hugh Gwynne (DD604PP) grass April	£ 1,757.60	£ 351.52	£ 2,109.12
Relm Signs (Covid19 posters)	£ 60.00	£ 12.00	£ 72.00
Morgan & Morgan (clerk ink & paper)	£ 53.93	£ 10.96	£ 63.99
LBS Builders (various materials)	£ 81.10	£ 16.22	£ 97.32
Action Surveillance & CCTV (PLQ)	£ 120.00	£ 24.00	£ 144.00

These were recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Eifion Davies. All were in favour.

2. Income Received since 22nd Aug 2020 to date

Welsh Water (refund)	£ 331.36
CCC Precept (2)	£ 22,811.66

3. Account Balances

LTC Current Account as at 17/09/20	£ 21,309.23
LTC Deposit Account as at 06/08/20	£ 20,004.49
Mayor's account balance at 01/09/20	£ 2,000.00

4. Quarterly check Report

Cllr Edward Thomas reported on the following checks :-

Min7/Apr/ 20	Easy PC	£ 40.00
Min 7/ Apr/	Extreme Tree Services	£ 900.00
Min 19/ May/20	EG Thomas	£ 80.62
Min 19/ May/ 20	R.Phillips	£ 27.44
Min 32/ June/ 20	Ar y Gair	£ 319.44
Min 32/ June/ 20	Lyn Llewellyn	£ 410.00
Min 32/ June/20	BT	£ 78.60
Min 45/ July / 20	EDF Bowls	£ 37.15
Min 45/ July /20	Llandeilo Bowls Club	£ 300.00

Cllr Thomas reported that all invoice and minute numbers were correct on the above random items selected above.

5. NALC 2020-21 National Pay Award

The Council has been informed of new NALC pay increases for Officers.

It was proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Robert Jones that these be accepted and back dated to April 2020. All were in favour.

Min 71 / Sept /20 Other Financial Matters

- i). The Finance Officer reported that the Audit process was proceeding well. Noted.
- ii) The proposed Rachel Barratt plaque. The Chair of the Llandeilo Civic Society, Mr Ken Murphy had written to ask if the Council would contribute £100 towards cost of the Plaque. It was proposed by Cllr Robert Jones, seconded by Cllr Christopher Parish that the payment be made. All were in favour.

Min 72/ Sept/ 20 The Town Christmas lights

The Clerk reported that five tenders had been sent to contractors to quote for this year's erection of the Town's lights. The closing date for the return of these is 5pm on October 2020. It was agreed that the Mayor, Cllr Edward Thomas and Deputy Mayor would attend a Zoom Meeting at 7.30pm on October 1st to confirm the tenders and recommend a contractor to carry out the work. All were in favour.

Min 73 / Sept/ 20 Parks Report

Cllr Edward Thomas reported that Mr Christopher Plummer had expressed concern at the High level of Grass cutting invoices received. Mr Plummer requested that a meeting be arranged with Mr Gwynne to avoid an overspend on the allocated budget. The Clerk would arrange a meeting between Mr Gwynne, the Mayor and Cllr Edward Thomas.

Cllr Edward Thomas proposed that an alternative contractor be employed to complete the work on the Civic Corner. The present contractor had failed to complete the contract awarded at the beginning of the year. The Mayor Cllr Owen James seconded. All were in favour.

Min 74 /Sept /20 Mayor's Report

Cllr Owen James reported that he and Cllr Geraint Price had taken down the town flags that had been discoloured by the Rhosmaen air pollution. The Mayor proposed that new flags be purchased in readiness for the next Town events commencing next March. Cllr Christoph Fischer seconded. All were in favour. The order would be for 15 Ddraig Goch, 15 Sant Dewi, 10 Celtic Flags.

The Mayor reported on the following engagements attended:-

- i) A coffee morning in the Cottage Inn for local persons that had been self- isolating.
- ii) As current First Team Captain he presented Llandeilo Juniors U6 with medals.
- iii) Filmed for S4C in Penlan Park a programme called Cynefin.
- iv) Was interviewed by Bro Dinefwr 6th form student Alison Reilly regarding how the community had been affected by COVID-19

Min 75 / Sept / 20 Cllr Gordon Kilby had made the following proposal as a Notice of Motion Cllr Eifion Davies seconded.

“ That Llandeilo Town Council hold one meeting per month i.e. a Full Council Meeting which would include both Planning and Finance Matters; and that this be reconsidered at the 2021 Annual Meeting”.

The Motion was carried by 7 votes for and 3 votes against.

Min 76/ Sept / 20 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 8.29pm