



Minutes of the Virtual Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held on Wednesday, February 24th 2021 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 Lesley Prosser, Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Gordon Kilby, Mr Roger Phillips (Town Clerk)
Mr Christopher Plummer (Finance Officer)
Mr Eifion Jones (Facilities Officer)

Apologies: Cllr Kevin Sivyver

There were no Police Matters.

Min 134 / Feb / 21 There were no Declaration of Interests.

Min 135 / Feb / 21 The County Councillor's Report

Cllr Thomas stated that the Police were warning local residents to be aware of an increase in the number of dog thefts in the area and to be vigilant. Requests for 1or 2 bedroom Local Authority properties had increased greatly with few available. One troublesome tenant had been moved whilst another tenant was subject to an investigation.

A plan to provide additional car parking bays near the old VCP will be available for people to comment on in March.

Cllr Thomas was still waiting for a CCC report on the plan to pedestrianize Carmarthen Street. Hywel Dda Health Board were still to comment on the reason for inconsistencies to explain why some older people had to travel to Carmarthen to be vaccinated whilst younger patients could attend the Llandeilo Surgery.

Stuart Quick, CCC has promised to complete the placing of the new benches purchased by the Town Council in situ on the Crescent by the end of March.

SWTRA was yet to respond to Council complaints of water from the A483 entering the Principality Building Society.

Issues regarding the transfer of the small parcel of land at the rear of Shire Hall from CCC to the Town Council was delaying it being leased to Menter as part of the Shire Hall renovation.

A film company will be starting work at Llandyfeisant Church in the near future.

Min 136 / Feb / 21 Previous Full Council Minutes.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held by Zoom remotely in Llandeilo on Wednesday, January 24th 2021 were read and confirmed as a true record. This was proposed by Cllr Christoph Fischer, seconded by Cllr Robert Jones. All were in favour.

Min 137 / Feb / 21 There were no Matters arising from previous meetings

Min 138/ Feb /21 Correspondence

1. Cllr Geraint Price requested the Council to consider having a new emblem to be used to promote the Town as a vibrant place to visit. Cllr Price proposed that a decision on a new emblem be made at the March meeting. Cllr Christoph Fischer seconded. All were in favour. All agreed that the Council Crest be retained as part of the Town's Heraldry for use on official Council correspondence. Mr Ken Murphy would be contacted to access a more defined image.
2. SLCC re. their campaign to allow Councils to be able to continue to hold meetings remotely if it is their choice beyond May 7th 2021. Noted.
3. Cllr Lesley Prosser informed the Council that the Newsletter Committee wished to delay the printing of the next edition until the end of April. This is to allow for a reprinting of the edition so that more current information could be provided in light of the Pandemic. This was agreed.
4. Cllr Geraint Price requested the Council to make appropriate plans for the procedures to replace the retiring RFO and Town Clerk and present a report to the March Full Council. The Mayor stated that he would commence the process with the assistance of the current Officers. Noted.
5. The Clerk had circulated correspondence received from Mr Desmond Davies. This was a comprehensive list of items around the Town that he considered should be protected by a conservation order. It was Proposed that Cllr Edward Thomas consults with Ken Murphy, Chair of the Llandeilo Civic Trust and the CCC Heritage department at Home Farm. All were in favour.
6. Graham Tuckwood, Llandeilo RBL secretary had submitted a request for the organisation to place a commemorative bench in Penlan Park in memory of County Councillor DT Davies. Cllr Robert Jones proposed that this is agreed. Cllr Geraint Price seconded. All were in favour of placing this at the bottom of the park and recycled material should be used for the seat.
7. Cllr Kevin Sivyver had sent a letter of resignation from the Town Council. He is moving to live in Anglesey and thanked the Council for the opportunity to have served the Town. Cllr Owen James proposed that the resignation be accepted and Cllr Edward Thomas seconded the proposal. Councillors expressed thanks to him for his service and all his advice on the safety measures that were adopted by the Council.

Min 139 / Feb / 21 Financial Matters

1.Accounts for payment for February 2021

		Net		Vat	Total
Hugh Gwynne (DD 604PLQ) bins January	£	80.00	£	16.00	£ 96.00
Hugh Gwynne (DD604PP) bins January	£	80.00	£	16.00	£ 96.00
EDF Energy (Bowls Club)	£	78.08	£	3.90	£ 81.98
WCVA payroll admin January	£	26.25	£	5.25	£ 31.50

WCVA payroll admin February	£ 26.25	£ 5.25	£ 31.50
EDF Energy (Tennis Club)	£ 22.85	£ 1.14	£ 23.99
Clerk's Postage (tender documents)	£ 30.96		£ 30.96
Post Office (mail redirection 3 months)	£ 216.00		£ 216.00
EDF Energy (store shed – Bowls Club)	£ 2.14	£ 1.80	£ 3.94

dd- direct debit # - cheque * bacs. These were recommended for payment.

Proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Colin Jenkins. All were in favour.

Cllr Geraint Price thanked the Clerk for being so prompt in sending out the new 3 year tenders for erecting the Town Christmas lights. The Mayor seconded.

2. Income Received since 27th January 2021 to date

PWLB (loan)	£ 34,975.00
Bowls Club (utility refund)	£ 166.84

3. Account Balances

LTC Current Account as at 19/02/21	£ 9,041.52
LTC Deposit Account as at 19/02/21	£ 30,005.48
Mayor's account balance at 25/01/21	£ 830.00

Min 140 / Feb/ 21 There were no Other Financial Matters

Min 141 / Feb / 21 Planning Matters

a) Planning Applications

- i) PL/01283 Two storey extension to the rear of a domestic property at 62, Heol y Garreg Las. **Comment : There were no objections**
- ii) PL/01284 Carport with first floor home office at Erw'r Delyn, Carmarthen Road
Comment : There were no objections.

b) There were no Planning Decisions

Min 142 / Feb /21 To Receive information regarding the proposed Llandeilo Community hub

Cllr Christopher Fischer gave a report of the plans to set up a Community Hub in Llandeilo. The Carmarthen CAVS Association had provided an initial grant of £5,000 and advice as to how to set up a committee. Officers had been elected with Cllr Fischer as Chair of the charitable committee

formed to assist with the work. A sum of £4,000 had been provided to pay for the employment of one part time worker. Menter had agreed to release Owen James to work one day a week for the Hub. The intention is to map out existing social and community groups, volunteers and services in and around Llandeilo. It will create a network of volunteers and match them with groups and people who need them.

Information will be added to the Covid Support Group Website, Co-op's Co-operate and CAVS Connect Carmarthenshire Platforms.

Cllr Robert Jones proposed a vote of thanks to all involved with the Hub and wished it every success. Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. All were in favour.

Min 143 / Feb/ 21 To Receive the Report of Procedures Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 9th 2021.

Cllr Gordon Kilby reported on the progress made by the committee in reviewing the current Council Standing Orders. The committee had agreed to recommend the Notice of Motion Part 2 to Council to be considered at the March Full Council Meeting. Noted.

Min 144 / Feb /21 Notice of Motion re. Review of Standing Orders Part 1

The recommended changes to the current Standing Orders Part 1 were carried as as proposed by Cllr Gordon Kilby, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas allowing for the following amendments

- 3(b) Amendment to request for a Special Meeting : *On a request made by a minimum of 4 Members by electronic or written means to the Clerk. All in favour.
Must state in that request the reason for calling the meeting and the matters to be discussed.*
6. Amendment to length of Meetings
A meeting of the Council shall not exceed 2 hours without a break. If there is a proposal, seconded and passed then the Chair or Mayor will suspend Standing Orders for 5 minutes before allowing a maximum of 30 minutes to allow for matters to be concluded. This was carried with 8 votes in favour and 3 votes against.

Min 145 / Feb / 21 Parks Management Report

The Mayor Cllr Owen James reported that very little work had been done due to the poor weather. A number of small weak trees had been taken down in Penlan Park. A price for chipping these to be used as a mulch was being sought. Cllr James proposed that Cllr Geraint Price be added to the Parks Management Committee. Cllr Edward Thomas seconded. All were in favour.

Min 146 / Feb /21 There was no Mayor's Report

Min 147 / Feb / 21 To Receive Nominations for Mayor of Llandeilo 2021-22

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed Cllr Robert Jones as Mayor of Llandeilo for 2021-22. Cllr Christopher Parish seconded.
All were in favour. It was confirmed that Cllr Robert Jones be elected as Mayor for 2021-22.

Min 148 / Feb / 21 To Receive Nominations for Deputy Mayor of Llandeilo 2021-22

Cllr Lesley Prosser proposed Cllr Gordon Kilby as Deputy Mayor for 201-22. Cllr Christopher Parish seconded.
Cllr Eifion Davies proposed Cllr Christoph Fischer as Deputy Mayor for 2021-22. Cllr Geraint Price seconded.
5 votes were cast in favour of Cllr Gordon Kilby .
4 votes were cast in favour of Cllr Christoph Fischer
It was confirmed that Cllr Gordon Kilby be elected as Deputy Mayor for 2021-22.

Min 149/ Feb / 21 Notice of Motion 2

To Adopt the changes to the Standing Orders as recommended by the Procedures Committee Meeting held on February 9th 2021.
Proposed by Cllr Gordon Kilby, seconded by Cllr Edward Thomas. For consideration at the March Full Council Meeting

Min 150 / Feb / 21 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.

Cllr Colin wished to record the Council's thanks to Cllr Owen James, Cllr Geraint Price and Cllr Edward Thomas for the St David's Day flags erected in Rhosmaen Street. Noted.

Meeting closed at 9.28pm