



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held in Llandeilo Bowls Club on Wednesday, July 28th 2021 in Llandeilo at 7.00pm

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

Apologies: Cllr Charlotte Morgan (pre arranged holiday)

There were no Police Matters.

Min 66 / July / 21 There were no Declaration of Interests.

Min 67 / July /21 Appointments Panel Report

The Mayor reported on the process to appoint a new Responsible Finance Officer as well as a new Town Clerk to replace the current officers who had declared their retirement at the end of October 2021.

A total of 13 people had submitted applications for one or other position.

Six persons had been interviewed for the position of Town Clerk and three persons had been interviewed for the position of RFO

The Mayor stated that the panel were recommending Mr David Eve as RFO.

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that the panel's recommendation be accepted. Cllr Owen James seconded. All were in favour with Cllr Christoph Fischer abstaining. The Mayor stated that the panel were recommending Owen James for Town Clerk.

He had gone through the same application and interview process. The panel had made it clear that he would have to resign as a Town Councillor, if Council decided to offer him the position, prior to taking up this position.

Cllr Eifion Davies proposed that the Council accept the recommendation. Cllr Christoph Fischer seconded the proposal. All were in favour.

Min 68/ July / 21 County Councillors Report.

Cllr Edward Thomas had received a reply from Lee Waters Welsh Minister confirming that the Bypass was still on the Government's project list.

Cllr Thomas announced that the Tour of Britain Cycle Time trial would commence at Ysgol Bro Dinefwr of September 7th finishing at the National Botanic Gardens. Paul Whittaker is looking at a date in September to hold the Classic Car Rally in Llandeilo.

Complaints continue regarding vehicles parking in Carmarthen Road. Highway officer have been asked to look at the issue.

SWTRA have decided to install traffic lights on Fairfach square despite local complaints. This is causing large tailbacks of traffic.

Min 69 / July/ 21 There were no Questions from Councillors

Min 70 / July / 21 Corrected Minutes of the Resumed Annual Meeting held on Wednesday, June 9th 2021.

The Clerk stated that these had been re-written to reflect the changes made to the various work groups. Cllr Owen James proposed they be accepted, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

Min 71 / July /21 Minutes of the June Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday, June 23rd

Cllr Christoph Fisher proposed that these be accepted. Cllr Owen James seconded. All were in favour.

Min 72 / July /21 Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday July 14th 2021.

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed that these be accepted as being accurate. Cllr Gordon Kilby seconded. All were in favour.

Min 73/ July / 21 Minutes of the Finance Committee

Cllr Edward Thomas proposed that these were accepted with a correction to the numbering of items. Cllr Dawn Wallace seconded. All were in favour.

Min 74 / July/ 21Matters arising

Cllr Colin Jenkins stated that arrangements to walk the town's footpaths would rescheduled. Noted

Re. the Parks Group, Cllr Owen James would Chair this Group.

The Clerk was requested to arrange a meeting with the Tennis Club regarding utility costs. Noted.

The following Councillors would form a committee to consider arrangements to organise celebrations in honour of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee :- The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Charlotte Morgan, Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

Min 75/ July /21 Correspondence

1. Cllr Edward Thomas had written to request that the Council considers making a donation to the Bowls Club as a small measure of gratitude for the Club making its room available to the Council to hold its meetings there over the past three months. Cllr Thomas proposed that a donation of £100 be made to the Bowls Club. Cllr Colin Jenkins seconded. Eight Councillors voted for the proposal with three Councillors abstaining. Motion carried. The Clerk was requested to also send a letter of thanks to the Bowls Club.
2. Letter from Jane Harries, Ty Penlan regarding Penlan Park Trees bordering their walls.
The Clerk had contacted Eifion Jones and Cllr Geraint Price to examine the trees. Both reported that there was no immediate damage or danger. They would monitor one Lime tree in particular. Cllr Price stated that some remedial action would be carried out during the autumn ; including raising the bottom branches by 2-2.5metres. Eifion Jones had informed the owners of the steps being taken
3. The Facilities Officer reported that the soft play work under a set of swings in Parc Le Conquet had been completed to a high standard and recommended that the contractor be paid. Noted.
4. Cllr Christoph Fischer had circulated details of measures for Llandeilo to adopt itself as a FairTrade Town. He had declared an interest due to his association with the Coop.
It was agreed to include discussions on this at the September Full Council Meeting. Noted.

Min 76 / July / 21 Financial Matters

1.Accounts for payment for July 2021

	Net	Vat	Total
Cut Above the Rest (trimmer line)	£ 33.75	£ 6.75	£ 40.50
Extreme Tree Services (Penlan Park)	£ 980.00	£ 196.00	£ 1,176.00
EasyPC	£ 40.00		£ 40.00
LBS Builders Merchants (March 2020?)	£ 10.24	£ 2.56	£ 12.80
Morgan & Morgan	£ 3.92	£ 0.73	£ 4.70
EDF Energy (Tennis Pavilion)	£ 17.68	£ 0.88	£ 18.76

dd- direct debit # - cheque * bacs.

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

2. Income Received since 24th June 2021 to date

Cash / cheque £ 1,270.00
(£520.00 sponsored bench : £750.00 - Mayor's Charity

3. Account Balances

LTC Current Account as at	09/07/21	£ 8,836.98
LTC Deposit Account as at	09/07/21	£ 27,006.68
Mayor's account balance as at	09/07/21	£ 1,000.00

4. Other Financial Matters

i) Quarterly Check Report

Cllr Edward Thomas reported that all of the following entries were checked against the invoices and minute books and were all correct.

Date	Payee	Amount	Ref.	Minute number
16/4	Orchardweb	£90.00	BP4	Min 6
24/4	Hugh Gwynne	£540.00	BP7	Min 6
16/5	LBS	£727.27	BP21	Min19
26/5	Roger Phillips	£39.96	BP26	Min19
16/6	Dinefwr Bowls	£100.00	BP33	Min7
03/6	Malcolm Jones	£11613.00	BP27	Min46
21/6	Lit Fest	£ 350.00	BP35	Min7
24/6	GAPrice	£365.62	BP37	Min60

ii) The RFO reported that the £4,000 to pay for the soft surface work in Parc le Conquet would be paid from the Council's Capital Reserves. Noted.

iii) The RFO reminded Council that the following documents were on the shared drive of the Chromebooks ;

- a) Parks Management -Budget data 2020-21
- b) Draft Budget 2021-22. Noted

Min 77 / July/ 21 Planning Matters

a) Planning Application PL/02282

Non Material amendment to E/39761 , barns at rear of 16, Crescent Road.
Consultation period. Noted.

b) Planning Decisions

i) PL02063 Erection of a garage/garden store building on existing area (which is at a lower level than the highway and existing dwelling) at 5, Nantrhibo.

Delegated Decision made – Granted.

c) PL02053 Attic conversion, new window & door openings, widened vehicle access at 14, Crescent Road

Delegated Decision Made- Granted.

Min 78 / July / 21 Other Reports

1. Parks Group Report.

Cllr Owen James reported that there were 16 volunteers trained and working on the Parks. A total of 37 hours of work done was recorded.

It was agreed to order a new post for the Penlan Park Gate to replace the rotting post. He stated that the old benches removed from the Crescent had been taken to be stored at the Tregib site.

2. Publication Group Report.

Cllr Charlotte Morgan reported that two meetings had been held to consider the writing of a new policy to cover social media and publications. The following procedures were recommended :-

- a) To continue to update the present website whilst exploring the possibility of a re-design.
- b) To invite two interested parties to make a presentation to the Full Council in September.
- c) Cllr Christoph Fischer and Cllr Owen James are the present Facebook administrators. The group recommended adding an Instagram account to encourage postings of positive images of the Council's work.
- d) A draft policy produced by Cllr Lesley Prosser would be circulated to all Members.

Min 79 / July / 21 Mayor's report

The Mayor Cllr Rob Jones stated that the Plaque to commemorate Rachel Barrett, one of Wales' key suffragette campaigner has been unveiled at her former home in Lewis Terrace. Noted.

Min 80 / July/21 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 20.52pm