



**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held in Llandeilo Bowls Club on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> 2021 in Llandeilo at 7.00pm**

**Present :** Mayor Cllr Owen James, Deputy Mayor Cllr Robert Jones, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Dawn Wallace, Cllr Charlotte Morgan, Cllr Christopher Parish, Cllr Lesley Prosser, Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Christoph Fischer ( apologies for being late) Mr Roger Phillips ( Town Clerk ) Mr Christopher Plummer ( Finance Officer ) Mr Eifion Jones ( Facilities Officer)

**Apologies:** Cllr Edward Thomas ( recovery from operation),

Prior to the commencement of the Meeting, Charlotte Morgan was sworn in as a Councillor to serve Castle Ward and signed the book of office.

**There were no Police Matters. Apologies given**

**Min 11 / May / 21 There were no Declaration of Interests.**

**Min 12 / May / 21 The County Councillor's Report**

Cllr Edward Thomas sent in his report to the Clerk prior to the meeting. He reported that Carmarthen Street would remain closed until 30<sup>th</sup> June due to the overrun on the work in Shire Hall. This will delay the report into the pedestrianization of the Road. A person was hurt on steps at the rear of Yr Hen Vic. He had recommended that the landowner repair the steps.

Stuart Quick had advised Cllr Thomas that the benches would be in place on the Crescent before the end of June.

More expressions of interest from businesses to utilise the Old Provisions Market have been received by CCC.

**Min 13 / May/ 21 Questions from Councillors**

- i) Cllr Geraint Price asked as to when the benches would be fitted on the Crescent. It had been over a year since they had been ordered and delivered to the CCC Depot. It was proposed by Cllr Robert Jones, seconded by Cllr Owen James that a letter be sent to CCC requesting that these be in put position as soon as possible. All were in favour.
- ii) Cllr Eifion Davies asked as to when Shire Hall was to finished so that Carmarthen Street could be opened. Cllr Owen James stated that it was hoped that this could be towards the

end of July.

### **Min 14 / May / 21 Previous Full Council Minutes.**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held by remotely by Zoom in Llandeilo on Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 2021 were passed as being accurate. Proposed by Cllr Colin Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Dawn Wallace. All were in favour.

### **Min 15 / May / 21 Minutes of the Special Full Council held remotely by Zoon on May 12<sup>th</sup> 2021**

#### **Present**

Mayor Cllr Owen James, Deputy Mayor Cllr Robert Jones, Cllr Gordon Kilby, Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Lesley Prosser, Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Christoph Fischer, Cllr Christopher Parish, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Dawn Wallace

#### **Agenda Item : To recommend that the Town Council returns to face to face meetings**

Following a discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Robert Jones that the Council returns to face to face meetings commencing on the next Full Council Meeting on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Cllr Gordon Kilby seconded.

The following voted for the proposal :

Cllr Robert Jones, Cllr Gordon Kilby, Cllr Edward Thomas, Cllr Lesley Prosser, Cllr Colin Jenkins, Cllr Dawn Wallace.

The following voted against the motion :

Cllr Geraint Price, Cllr Eifion Davies, Cllr Christoph Fischer, Cllr Christopher Parish  
The Mayor Cllr Owen James abstained.

The proposal was carried.

### **Min 16 / May / 21 Minutes of the Special Finance Meeting – Audit May 19<sup>th</sup> 2021**

It was proposed by Cllr Owen James that the minutes of this meeting are accurate and recommended their acceptance to Council. Cllr Geraint Price seconded. All were in favour

### **Min 17 / May / 21 There were no Matters arising from previous meetings**

### **Min 18/ May /21 Correspondence**

1. Cllr Geraint Price proposed that a letter is sent to invite Her Majesty and or her representative to come to plant a tree to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in 2022. Cllr Price estimated that the cost of a suitable sapling was between £65-£100. Cllr Robert Jones seconded. Cllr Price suggested that the Parks Management Committee consider the feasibility for the planting of trees along Carmarthen Road towards the White Hart with a maximum budget of £500. Noted.

2. Local resident Bernadette Tunney had written to ask the Council as to whether the stone snake had been permanently removed from Penlan Park. The Clerk would reply to state that the project leader Kaileigh would re – lay the stones which had been vandalised.
3. Bernadette Tunney had written to the Council concerned with the state of the Bandstand. It was proposed by Cllr Eifion Davies, seconded by Cllr Geraint Price that this be considered by the Parks Management Committee. All in favour.
4. Mark Atkins correspondence regarding tables and chairs blocking pavements in King Street. The Clerk would advise him to contact CCC. A copy to be provided to Cllr Edward Thomas.
5. Cllr Eifion Davies proposal that in future preference be given to sites with WiFi for future Meetings. This was not seconded, but the Clerk advised that neither the RFC or the Civic Hall were available for tonight’s meeting. If a suitable venue was available then this would be arranged if the Clerk was informed.
6. The Clerk had received correspondence from the Festival of Senses with a request to hold a Teddy Bears Picnic in Penlan Park. The Clerk would contact the organiser for more details. Noted.

## **Min 19 / May / 21 Financial Matters**

### **1.Accounts for payment for May 2021**

	Net	Vat	Total
Hugh Gwynne (DD 604PLQ) bins April	£ 80.00	£ 16.00	£ 96.00
Hugh Gwynne ( DD604PP) bins April	£ 80.00	£ 16.00	£ 96.00
Hugh Gwynne (DD604PP) grass April	£ 360.00	£ 72.00	£ 432.00
Hugh Gwynne ( DD604PLQ) grass April	£ 450.00	£ 90.00	£ 540.00
WCVA payroll admin April*	£ 26.25	£ 5.25	£ 31.50
EDF Energy ( Bowls Club	£ 38.70	£ 1.94	£ 40.64
Post Office Redirection (3 months)	£ 216.00		£ 216.00
LBS ( Penlan Park materials)	£ 608.19	£ 119.08	£ 727.27
Ar y Gair ( translations)	£ 419.22		£ 419.22
Ar y Gair ( translations)	£ 91.62		£ 91.62
Actions surveillance ( Park Le Conquet)	£ 120.00	£ 24.00	£ 144.00
BT Phone (DD)	£ 55.25	£ 11.05	£ 66.30
BT Broadband (DD)	£ 69.50	£ 13.90	£ 83.40
EDF Energy ( Tennis Club)	£ 20.54	£ 1.03	£ 21.57
EDF Energy ( Bowls club shed)	£ 18.78	£ 0.94	£ 19.72
Roger Phillips Clerk’s Postage	£ 39.96		£ 39.96

dd- direct debit # - cheque \* bacs. These were recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Edward Thomas, seconded by Cllr Christopher Parish. All were in favour.

### **2. Income Received since 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to date**

Cash / cheque ( Mayor)	£ 400.00
HMRC (VAT)	£ 8,025.17

### **3. Account Balances**

LTC Current Account as at 26/05/21	£ 26,909.08
LTC Deposit Account as at 26/05/21	£ 27,005.98

### **Min 20 / May/ 21 Planning Matters**

a) Planning Applications

- i) PL/01853 Single storey extension to the rear of a semi- detached house, 12, Crescent Road  
**Comment : There were no objections.**
- ii) PL01859 Reinstate internal suspended timber floors, 2 in total- former St Tyfeis Church, Llandyfeisant, Dinefwr park  
**Comment : There were no objections.**
- iii) PL01954 Rear single storey extension to dwelling house to provide accessible bedroom area at 29, Diana Road. **No objections**

b) **Planning Decisions**

- E/0525 Garden Shed.  
GRANTED
- PL/01283 Two storey extension at 62, Heol y Garreg Las  
GRANTED.

### **Min 21 / May/ 21 Christmas Lights Subgroup Meeting, May 4<sup>th</sup> 2021**

Minutes of the meeting held virtually on Tuesday, May 4th 2021.

As no tenders had been received for a 3 year contract, it was proposed by Cllr Geraint Price that the Clerk send out invitations to contractors to tender for a one year contract for 2021. Cllr Eifion Davies seconded.

The Clerk was requested to ask contractors to submit their tenders by May 31<sup>st</sup> 2021.

The Subgroup would meet again on June 1<sup>st</sup> to consider any submitted tenders.

### **Min 22 / May / 21 Parks Management Report of Meeting held on May 4<sup>th</sup> 2021**

1. Grass Cutting- the way forward.

Two proposals were discussed by the group

- a) The Council to purchase its own machine for grass cutting at an estimated cost of £12,000 in the first year. There were possible opportunities for income for doing grass cutting for other groups. On- going estimated cost per year £4,500.
  - b) To carryout a retendering process at estimated cost of £13-18,000 per year.
- It was proposed by Cllr Geraint Price, seconded by Cllr Owen James that option a) be recommended to Council. This was carried.

2. Rubbish Collections

Two tenders had been received by the Clerk, namely Cwm Environmental and LAS Recycling. There was little difference in the prices quoted by both companies

It was decided to opt for Las Recycling as a Llandeilo based company.

Eifion Jones would carry out a survey of the condition of the present park bins.

3. Financial Implications for the Council organising its own Grass Cutting

The RFO had produced costings for the next three years for the Council to carry out its own volunteer grass cutting scheme. Mr Plummer stated that this would save the Council a significant amount of money over this period.

It was proposed by Cllr Owen James, seconded by Cllr Geraint Price that the Council agree to the Council taking on the responsibility for the grass cutting in both parks. All were in favour.

Cllr Colin Jenkins proposed a vote of thanks to all who had worked so hard in Penlan Park. Cllr Rob Jones seconded. All were in favour.

Cllr Gordon Kilby proposed that all volunteers should be invited to a Christmas Buffet in appreciation for their work. Cllr Geraint Price seconded the proposal. There were 8 votes in favour of the proposal with 1 vote against and 1 abstained. The proposal was carried.

### **Min 23/ May / 21 Mayor's Report.**

In his last meeting as Mayor, Cllr Owen James wished to that all Councillors and Staff for supporting him during his two years in Office. It had been a wonderful experience and it would help him greatly in any future career. Cllr James was thanked for his service to the Town, especially for driving forward the improvements in Penlan park.

### **Min 24 / May / 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 20.43pm