

Min 92 / September / 23 - County Councillors Report

County Councillor Edward Thomas forwarded a thorough monthly report and attended to expand on the points given:-

1. I together with neighbouring Cty Cllr Hefin Jones presented a Notice of Motion requesting WG publish the results of the November 2020 WELTAG 2 consultation and criticising their plan to implement diversions and likely traffic lights in the centre of town. It received full support and we continue to chase Deputy Minister.
2. CCC with funding from UK Prosperity Fund are offering grants to businesses towards painting, use of Welsh Language signage etc. LTC & my Facebook sites contain the details
3. Rubbish at North Bank – Tenants depositing blue bags contaminated with food or other items i.e. glass – CCC will leave and label bags. Waste Wardens are to visit tenants to explain what's is permitted etc. CCC have cleared the rubbish with black bags
4. Permission has been granted to plant daffodils near the recent tree plant opposite Tegfan Garage, Carmarthen Rd.
5. There is a strong possibility that a car sharing scheme will also be based in Llandeilo. A car is undergoing trials in Llandovery via YnniSirGar.

Min 93 / September / 23 - Questions from Councillors

No questions

Min 94 / September / 23 - Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Hengwrt on Wednesday, July 26th 2023

The July Full Council Minutes were read by Chair Mayor Christoph Fischer.

Cllr Rob Jones proposed them as correct, with some amendment to minute numbers, seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill.

All were in favour.

Min 95 / September / 23 - Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Hengwrt on Thursday, August 3rd 2023

The August Special Council Minutes were read by Chair Mayor Christoph Fischer.

Cllr Simon Brownsill proposed them as correct, seconded by Cllr Rob Jones.

All were in favour.

Min 96 / September / 23 - Matters arising from previous meetings

None

Min 97 / September / 23 – Correspondence

1. Request from local resident Danielle Donnelly via Facebook

“I was wondering if you could look into having speed bumps put in on greenfield place by the lane where the children come from the park on their bikes so fast they do not look to see if cars are coming and fly out of the lane, also cars come up so fast a child is going to be run over.”

Cllr Geraint Price proposed forwarding the correspondence to Carmarthenshire County Councillor Edward Thomas, as this is a CCC matter. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour

2. Alex Nicholas – Food network

Clerk circulated information regarding a new Local Food Development initiative, connecting community growing advocates and creating local produce for local people. Delivering Level 1 Nutritional skills to locals and showcase the vast diversity of local producers and local foods, for the local community.

Clerk will forward more information once the project starts officially.

NOTED

3. Church request – Letter of support

St. Teilo’s Church are looking to do some restoration work and have requested a letter of support from Llandeilo Town Council who are frequent users of the premises and a longstanding history with the Church.

Cllr Christoph Fischer proposed a letter of support, Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour

Clerk to action

4. Safe Swimming – Afon Tywi

Cllr Kate Glanville gave a verbal report as follows :-

A group in Llandeilo are aiming to make the area near the Kings Bridge a safe swim area, meaning that the area will be a designated area where all can swim in a safe pool of water that is approved by Welsh Government. This means safe water levels, permission to use the space, no dangerous areas within the water to cause harm to swimmer etc.

Cllr Glanville expanded that the farmer who owns the field in question was only recently alerted to this and would want more information as to who will be liable for the swimmers, if on his land. Points to clarify would be liability, cleanliness of water, safety of swimmers, dangers of local livestock.

Cllr Gordon Kilby added that safety and safeguarding will be paramount and very difficult to manage if the site is not manned at all times. Adding Llandeilo Town Council need to be wary of where the liability stands if it does come to fruition

Cllr Kate Glanville proposed Llandeilo Town Council set up a working group to work with locals who would like to make this happen and submit an application when ready to Welsh government. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill.

6 votes for

2 abstention

Motion passed.

Clerk will create a working group of member Cllr Kate Glanville, Cllr Simon Brownsill and Cllr Christoph Fischer.

5. TWTS TYWI – annual cost to use Tennis Pavilion Toilets

Caryl has requested to ask Full Council if they can use the Tennis Pavilion toilets on an annual basis. This would be out of term use, including summer holidays, half term and end of term times. TWTS TYWI would like one annual fixed costing issued.

Cllr Geraint Price would like community groups using the facility therefore proposed an annual fee of £175.00, this would include their own key to use the facility as required. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour.

6. ABLE community care stickers

Clerk has been liaising with ABLE Community Care to get 200 ‘Do not knock’ door stickers for vulnerable residents of Llandeilo. These will be inserted within the newsletter, due middle of October.~
NOTED

Min 98 / September / 23 – Planning Matters

Planning matters

PL/06494 - Agricultural building - Land at Dinefwr Farm, Llandeilo, SA19 6RT

Cllr Matthew Crayford stated that CADW are reserving judgement and Llandeilo Town Council should do the same. Adding the building is within the Grade I Plas Dinefwr Registered Park and Garden, the Llandeilo Conservation Area and there are listed buildings within the same boundary. This building should be assessed carefully and make note to CADW and Heritage comments

PL/06491 - Two small roof windows are proposed for the rear roof slopes creating light into a shower room and storage space within the existing front loft. The proposal includes adding a rear dormer to the property to allow access into the rear loft space to create an additional bedroom (Resubmission of PL/05932 Refused on 07/08/2023) - 12A Bank Buildings, Llandeilo, SA19 6BU

Cllr Rob Jones stated no objection or additional comment can be made

Planning Decisions

PL/06287

Non-Material Amendment

Amendment to PL/03376 (Revised plans)

11 Carmarthen Road, Llandeilo, SA19 6RP

Non-Material Amendment Granted

PL/06487

Consent to display an advertisement

Installation of an 'Illuminated 32" Outdoor Digital Advertising Display on existing wall Parc Le Conquet, Carmarthen Road, Llandeilo, SA19 6RP

Advertisement Granted

PL/04022

Full planning permission

Change of use from B1 to C3(a) to second floor. Change of use from A3 to B1 to first floor.

General refurbishment to ground floor entrance hall. Total number of new flats is one

141 Rhosmaen Street, Llandeilo, SA19 6EN

Full Refusal

Min 99 / September / 23 - Financial Matters

1. Accounts for payment

i) Accounts for payment approval

	Net (£)	Vat (£)	Gross (£)
Easy PC - Chromebook Reinstall	155.00		155.00
One Voice Wales - Training	38.00		38.00
Claudine Le Corre - Update to Mayors Board	70.00		70.00
LAS - Aug	50.76	10.14	60.90
EDF - Bowls Club	58.15	2.91	61.06
EDF - Tennis Club	47.69	2.37	50.06

ii) Invoices Paid

LAS Recycling - Jul	34.34	6.86	41.20
LBS - Mini Roller	6.43	1.29	7.72
Owen James - Storage Boxes	65.33	13.07	78.40
Eifion Jones - Key Tennis Pav	6.95		6.95
EDF - Bowls Club July	51.75	2.59	54.34
Dwr Water - 20 Dec to 23 June	1,112.93		1,112.93
Geraint Price - Flag Wire, Fuel, Bench Presentation Expenses	152.29	21.14	173.43
Efion Jones - Tennis Club Key	6.95		6.95
Llandeilo Dental - App Refund	50.00		50.00
Infinite Law - App refund	3.70		3.70
Cawdor - App Refund	4.25		4.25
EDF - Tennis Club	49.71	2.47	52.18
Relm Signs	329.60	65.92	395.52
Apps 4 Wales - App refund	50.00		50.00
M Bleasdale - App refund	0.55		0.55
Centreframe - Park Noticeboard	375.00	75.00	450.00
Cut Above - Grillo Repairs	180.00	30.00	210.00
Owen James - Web domain registration + Planning App Advertising	370.00	16.00	386.00
Cartwright Ass - Pump Track Design Fees	9,848.10	1,969.50	11,817.60
Sunflowers Wales - Civic Service	25.00		25.00
Big Bocs Boyd - Civic Service	25.00		25.00
Gopak - Tables Bowls Club - for recharge	669.19	121.84	791.03

These payments were recommended for approval. Proposed by Cllr Christoph Fischer, seconded by Cllr Rob Jones. All in favour

Special note regarding the Bowls water payment. Eifion Jones (facilities officer) to look into this payment as that is a substantially high payment.

2. Income Received

	£
Twts Tywi – Toilet usage	100.00

Go Cardless - App Income	49.16
B Roger - Gazebo Hire	300.00
Bowls Club	2,360.28
Tesco/Groundworks Park Grant	500.00
Carms CC - Precept	26,030.00
Igam Ogam - Advert	80.00
Relm - Advert	80.00
AP Davies – Civic Service	50.00
O James - Planning Fee refund	60.00

3. Account Balances

LTC Current Account as at 22th July 2023 = £4,379.98

LTC Deposit Account as at 22th July 2023 = £30,419.68

4. Any other matters from the Responsible Finance Officer

i) Insurance 23/34

Responsible Finance Officer David Eve circulated the insurance statement for 23/24 which is for renewal annually in October.

Cllr Christoph Fischer proposed we accept this recommendation, seconded by Cllr Kate Glanville.

All in favour

5. Financial Requests

i). Amman Valley Swimming club

Documentation and statements had been sent, with a request for funding to cover running costs of the club.

Cllr Geraint Price proposed we forward the information, with the Swimming Clubs permission, to Llandeilo Sports Association who was set up to deal with any financial requests from local sporting affiliations. Seconded Cllr Christoph Fischer. All in favour

ii). Llwyfan Llandeilo

Documentation sent as per guidelines. Llwyfan Llandeilo are a new performing arts group aiming to do local productions for local people, with Cinderella being the first production in January 2024.

The group requested £1,200 to cover startup costings.

Cllr Rob Jones added this is a great new venture in Llandeilo that has no barriers, and we should support and help the group setting out.

Cllr Geraint Price proposed £350.00 as a special circumstance to help the groups initial costings.

Adding to put into context that the donation budget for 23/24 is £1500.00 therefore this is a reasonable amount, in line with what was requested.

Cllr Gordon Kilby seconded the proposal.

All in favour

Cllr Rob Jones proposed an additional statement that Llandeilo Town Council wholeheartedly support the project and wish them the best of luck and every success. Seconded by Cllr Christoph Fischer. All in favour

iii) Urdd Gobaith Cymru - Myrddin East Community Officer

Documentation sent but no balance sheet. Clerk to obtain this and bring back to October full council

iv) Dance Well Classes – Llandeilo

Documentation sent but no balance sheet due to the fact that it was a funded trial by the NHS.

Responsible Finance officer David eve to contact the group and source a valid request to bring back to October Full Council meeting.

Min 100 / September / 23 – Reports

1. Facilities officer (FO) report

None received. Clerk will forward once received from Eifion Jones (FO)

2. Parks Report

Parks and Green Spaces Report

Report Circulated to councillors, main aspects for consideration:-

- Shakespeare outdoor Theatre booked for July 6th 2024
- Pump track timeline, pending possible delay with Carmarthenshire County Council :-
7th September CCC meeting to ratify tenders, 85K CCC moneys approved pending CCC Cabinet Member approval decision
27th September CCC cabinet member approval
5th October offer letter and funding (approximate date)
Clerk to source quotes for other 15k+ moneys to be utilised with the project
- Tree and groundwork quotes to be requested for works in Penlan Park

3. Fireworks report

Report Circulated with recommendations as follows:-

- Fire service – Health and safety & first aid (reminder re sparklers)
- Councillors to assist on the evening – reminder in September and October meetings
- Contact police to make aware of the event

Cllr Simon Brownsill proposed the above. Seconded Cllr Geraint Price. All in favour

4. Christmas Lights report

Report Circulated with recommendations as follows :-

i) Accept Davies Electrical quote of £6270.00+VAT, over Charles Sams quote of £6635.00+VAT. Proposed by Cllr Christoph Fischer, seconded Cllr Charlotte Morgan. All in Favour

ii) Purchase Christmas Tree with Gerwyn £500.00, Phil Beynon also quoted £500.00
Cllr Geraint Price stated no reason to change supplier as the tree is always supplied on time with good communication.

Proposed by Cllr Geraint Price to go ahead with above recommendation, seconded Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour

iii) To go ahead with Anchor point testing, which is a requirement from SWTRA, by-annually. £1450.00+VAT. 06.10.23

Proposed by Cllr Geraint Price to go ahead with above recommendation, seconded Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour

5. Accessibility report

Cllr Christoph Fischer reported that the first working group meeting was held Sunday 24.10.23, with a lower-than-expected turnout due to adverse weather. Discussions were held on how to better Llandeilo as an Accessible town to all with Disabilities that find Llandeilo Town difficult to manoeuvre.

Next steps will be to conduct a survey and raise awareness to the matter being raised. Aiming to hold another public meeting at the end of October.

6. Publications report

- The newsletter was circulated to Full Council, which has already been approved.

Councillors will be delivering the newsletter to every door in October.

- Website is now live, with a request to councillors to add content and stories relevant to Llandeilo Town Council.

- App will be added to the next Publications meeting agenda after Bob Gwyn and Steve Huggett presentation.

Min 101 / September / 23 – Mayoress Broach

Clerk circulated a cost for the 2no broaches that are owed to Cllr Rob Jones and Cllr Gordon Kilby. Cost of £630.52 for 2no broaches, estimated 6-8 week lead time.

Cllr Rob Jones stated it is important to honour the broaches owed to the past Mayoress/consort who've indirectly given so much to Llandeilo Town Council via support for the mayor. Cllr Simon Brownsill added that although they do give time and effort to help the mayor for their year in office, it is a large cost to support a broach of thanks, stating that we all do it for the community and to not expect anything in return.

Cllr Rob Jones proposed to honour the two outstanding broaches, seconded by Cllr Geraint Price. 6 votes for.

2 abstain.

Motion passed.

Moving forward this to be reviewed. To be added to next full council agenda.

Min 102 / September / 23 – Llandeilo Town Council Memorabilia

i) Council items for display in Hengwrt

Mayors board has been updated with Past Mayor names, including Christoph Fischer 2023-2024 date.

Cllr Charlotte Morgan circulated a visual of how the three items, Mayors board, Heraldic Badge and Town Council Charter. Cllr Rob Jones requested council to check that the correct badge was in Council possession. Clerk to check and report back

ii) Harris Photographer Collection Loan

County Councillor Edward Thomas has requested that the Harris Photographer Collection prints be loaned to The Market Hall to be available for public display.

Cllr Simon Brownsill proposed that Llandeilo Town Council be happy to loan the images/collection, but wanted the following points covered prior to acceptance :-

- Insurance of items
- Would copies or prints be better suited as the hall is open to all public and unmanned?
- Clarity on safety of all items loaned, as above
- Where in the Market Hall will they be displayed?
- Would they be removed if there was events and or festivals in the Market Hall?

Cllr Geraint Price seconded the above.

Clerk to liaise with Cty Cllr Edward Thomas for clarity on the above points. Clerk to ascertain how many images Llandeilo Town Council have of the collection.

iii) Queen Victoria painting

Cllr Matthew Crayford raised that Llandeilo Town Council currently hold a Queen Victoria painting, believed to be from The Civic Hall, Llandeilo.

Cllr Matthew Crayford proposed to offer the portrait back to the Civic Hall, which signifies the building being built in 1889 to celebrate Queen Victoria's Jubilee.

Cllr Rob Jones seconded the proposal. All in favour

Min 103 / September / 23 – Llandeilo Bowls Club extension update

Clerk has been out for a second round of tenders for the Bowls club extension. We have received one tender for the works at a price of £312,214.00. Clerk stated that when originally quoting works approx. 2019-2020 costings were estimated at £80,000-£100,000.

Cllr Geraint Price proposed LTC look for alternative contractors and methods, aiming for a price prior to January 1st 2024, to progress in the new year. Seconded by Cllr Christoph Fischer.

Clerk to liaise with Facilities Officer Eifion Jones to speak to local contractors, including possibility of Timber Frame design. All in favour

Min 104 / September / 23 – Notice of Motion : To consider updating LTC Terms of Reference to create an Events Group which will supersede Fireworks, Christmas Lights, Dydd Gwyl Dewi Groups and any other event Llandeilo Town Council hold

Cllr Christoph Fischer proposed considering the proposal to update LTC Terms of reference to create an events group. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill

Min 105 / September / 23 – To adopt the updated Equality and Diversity policy

Proposed by Cllr Geraint Price to adopt the updated Equality and Diversity Policy. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour.

Clerk to action and add to the website

Min 106 / September / 23 – To adopt the updated Harassment and Bullying Policy

Proposed by Cllr Geraint Price to adopt the updated Harassment and Bullying Policy. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour.

Clerk to action and add to the website

Min 107 / September / 23 – To adopt the updated Model standing orders in line with Welsh Government and elections 2021 Act

Proposed by Cllr Christoph Fischer to adopt the updated Model standing orders in line with Welsh Government and elections 2021 Act. Seconded by Cllr Gordon Kilby. All in favour.

Clerk to action and add to the website

Min 108 / September / 23 – Mayors report

- **27th July** - Royal Welsh Show – Attended representing Llandeilo, visiting Llandeilo stalls at the event
- **29th July** - Attended Llandovery Pride march and cabaret
- Attended Strawberry Tea in Llandeilo Church
- Attended Trap Show
- **31st July** - Attended a concert of Cor Meibion Dinefwr at Cottage Inn
- Meeting with Vicar Jonathan Parker regarding Thanksgiving Service on September 10th, accompanied by Rob Jones and Gordon Kilby.
- **1st August** - Attended a public Llandeilo Business Owner meeting in the Salutation Inn regarding making Llandeilo a cash friendly town.
- **3rd August** - Mayoress Kate Glanville and I visited Tywi Valley Open Studios 1 and 2
- **5th August** – Attended Llangadog Show - Busy event
- **8th August** - Pump Track Meeting with clerk and Deputy Mayor Charlotte Morgan to ratify tenders
- **9th August** – Royal British Legion AGM
- **12th August** - Attended Llanfynydd Show
- Attended a Civic Hall meeting called by Havard Hughes to make Dyffryn Tywi a Area Of Natural Beauty - well attended
- Gwynfe Show - Warm welcome from the presidents Liz and John Booth, was noted no Mayor has been to their show in 30 years. I recommend attending these shows in the future, the farming community does appreciate the interest shown
- **13th August** - Llandeilo Football Club fundraising run, Edward Thomas and myself ran / walked with them the last few laps of the track.
- **17th August** - Pembroke Show – visited the few Llandeilo businesses present
- **19th August** - Llandeilo Show - excellent busy event. Gave out medals for the sheep section
- **23th August** - River Towy meeting in Salutation Inn
- **26th August** - Llanddeusant Show, Llanarthne Show, Salem Show with Mayoress, all unique community events, welcoming us warmly
- **27th August** - Dog Show at Dinefwr Park
- **2nd September** - visited Antique Fair in Civic Hall with mayoress
- Llansadwrn Show with the Mayoress
- **3rd September** - Lluest Pony Trust open day with Mayoress.
- **4th September** - visited new shop in town Art Love Boutique on King Street
- Meeting with tenants of the Old Market Hall to discuss concerns
- **6th September** - Llandeilo AFC vs Carmarthen Johnstown game at Tregib
- **8th September** - Attended Eleanor Breen's Brave the Shave at the Salutation Inn for MacMillan Cancer Care. She raised over £400

- **9th September** - Aberglasney Food and Music Fair - excellent new two-day event.
- Railway exhibition in Llanarthne Hall - Amazing exhibits and memorabilia, photographs and texts relating to the old Llandeilo - Carmarthen line.
- Dahlia Wood in Ffairfach visit - nationwide open day organised by UK Flower Growers association.
- Llandeilo Rugby Youth match
- **10th September** - Civic Service – Thanksgiving service for clubs, groups, individuals who contribute to the town. Over £600 was raised for the charities
- **11th September** - Opening of Box of Fists Boxing Gym in the Gym Shed
- **13th September** - GWR Railway Conference
- **14th September** - Art at the Hall Opening -A week’s exhibition at the Temperance Hall in Llangathen Hall
- **16th September** - Sheep Festival Llandovery
- **17th September** – Dementia Friendly Llandeilo Memory Walk – Approx 40 people took part, over £2300 were raised.
- **19th September** - Mayors network event - A very successful first meeting. Generating discussions with neighbouring councils
- **20th September** - Meeting with Alex Nicholas of the Carmarthenshire Food Network with representatives of the Ysgol Bro Dinefwr outdoor garden project.
- Meeting with Mari Thomas regarding the Mayoress Brooch.
- Civic Hall Llandeilo Business Owners
Tried to attend the second Llandeilo Business Owners meeting but unlike previous Chambers of Trade, council involvement was not welcome
- **22th September** - Round Table Harvest Ball - Fundraiser for the Round Table in the Cawdor. well attended.
- **23th September** - 12am Oriel Mimosa Exhibition Opening
- Mari Thomas 25th business anniversary
- Tenovus Concert in Church - Pontarddulais Town Brass Band and Helen Pugh -Amazing concert
- **24th September** - Annual Harvest Church Service
- First Accessibility Meeting

Min 109 / September / 23 – Any 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

None

Meeting Closed at 21.00PM