LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY ON THURSDAY 12 MAY AND MONDAY 16 MAY 2016 AT 7:00 PM.

A. THURSDAY 12 MAY 2015

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Mayor Dorothy Burgess, Deputy Mayor David Long, Councillors, Jackson, Jones, Blud, Sear, Paul, Hudson, Thomas, Wright, Rees, Smith, Logsdail and N. Burgess

1. The Revd Ian Aveson opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. Apologies for absence – None, Full Council Attendance
3. The Mayor, Councillor D. Burgess made her retiring address.
4. Cllr Elizabeth Thomas proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor, seconded by Cllr Smith.
5. Cllr David Long was elected Mayor for the next term of office, and made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
6. The Reverend Ian Aveson accepted the appointment as Chaplain to the Mayor.
7. Cllr Jill Blud was elected Deputy Mayor for the next term of office, and made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
8. Mr Richard Thomas was proposed and re-appointed as the Mayor's Sergeant-at-Mace.
9. Mr Meirion Jones was proposed and re-appointed as the Council's Sergeant-at-Mace.
10. Mr Joe Beard was proposed and re-appointed as the Council's Town Crier.
11. It was resolved that Llandovery Town Council continues as Continuing Custodian Trustee of the Rhys Pritchard Memorial Hall.
12. The Revd Ian Aveson closed proceedings with a prayer, and the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned until Monday, 16 May 2016.

B. MONDAY 16 MAY 2016

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Chairing the meeting: The Mayor, Cllr David Long,
Cllr's: Jackson, Jones, Rees, D Burgess, Thomas, N. Burgess, Smith, Blud, Wright, Hudson, Sear and Logsdail.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU

Cllr A. Paul

2. DECLARATIONS BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS/ DATGANIADAU GAN GYNGHORWYR O UNRHYW FUDD PERSONOL NEU/AC ARIANNOL

2.1 Item 11.1, Cllrs Blud, Jackson, Logsdail, Thomas and Wright.
2.2 Item 9.15 Cllr Smith

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING / CADARNHAU'R COFNODION

1. The Draft Minutes from the Council Meeting of 18 April 2016 were approved as a correct record.

4. POLICE MATTERS & REPORT / ADRODDIAD YR HEDDLU – MATERION

1. The Council expressed their disappointment that once again, no representative of the Police were present and, no apologies had been received.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y MAER

Mayoral Events Attended 18-04-16 to 12-05-16

Date	Event
18-04-16	Chair, Town Council Meeting
21-04-16	Beacon bonfire to commemorate the Queen's 90th Birthday
22-04-16	Mayor's Charity Ball
25-04-16	Chair, Planning Committee Meeting
26-04-16	Mayor & Mayor Elect Meeting with H. Caldecote
27-04-16	League of Friends Meeting
07-04-16	Llandovery Male Voice Choir Concert at Neuadd Pantycelyn
12-04-16	Mayoral Installation Ceremony for the year 2016-17

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y CYNGHORWR SIR
6.1 Cllr Jackson delivered a verbal update on the proposed changes to the "Free Parking Days" allocation currently under review in County Hall.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU
7.1 The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of 25 April 2016 were noted.

7.2 It was resolved that the new system of Planning Consultation as outlined in the Town Clerks Report, Item 8.2 be adopted as standard practice with immediate effect.

8. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y CLERC Y TREF
8.1 The Town Clerk's Report for April/May 2016 was received and noted

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL
9.1 It was resolved that Mr H Caldecote be employed with effect of 17 May 2016 in the role of Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) for five hours a week on a six month trial basis under the terms and conditions of the RFO JD.

9.2 A review of the Councils Committee's Membership was carried out.
9.2.1 It was resolved to disband the CCTV Committee as no longer relevant to the Council.
9.2.2 It was resolved to raise the matter of reviewing the insurance of the Rhys Pritchard Memorial Hall at the next Trustee Meeting.

9.3 A proposal to update the Past mayors Board has been held in abeyance.

9.4 It was resolved to change the door lock at the Heritage Centre and to introduce a system of accountability for the key issues in the future. It was also resolved to change the Alarm codes and, to ensure that the codes will be changed on an irregular basis in the future.

9.5 An update on repairs to the Market Square Fountain was received. The Fountain is now operating to an acceptable standard during the hours of operation agreed.

9.6 An update on the outstanding issues at the Heritage Centre was received. It was resolved that the management of the Heritage Centre would henceforth fall within the remit of the Town Clerk.

9.7 An update regarding the Llandovery Firework Event was received however, no news was received as, no further meetings have been held.

9.8 An update regarding Pantycelyn Hall was received and a draft lease from the County Legal Team is expected in the near future

9.9 An update on the acquisition of new "Dog Fouling" signs as discussed in the LTC March Meeting was received and Llandovery will be one of the first to receive the new signs.

9.10 A presentation made by Matthew Page in justification of a request to base the start of the British Cycling Mountain Bike Championships 2016 out of Llandovery, specifically the Market Square was received. It was resolved that the event would have the full support of the Council, through the office of the Town Clerk.

9.11 An update for the upcoming Armed Forces Day on 25 June 2016 was received. It was resolved that County needed to be notified of the need to cut the grass and generally clear up the area around the War Memorial on Broad Street.

9.12 It was resolved to implement the recommended changes in order to reduce Administrative time, paper usage, photocopying and mail charges, as outlined in the Town Clerks Report in regard to the use of electronic media and e-mail in organising future Council meetings, members would be offered the choice to continue receiving hard-copy paperwork.

9.13 An update from CCC regarding outstanding issues from the 4 April 2016 Meeting was received and noted.

9.13.1 It was resolved that a full meeting of the Forward Planning Committee should be convened at the earliest opportunity in order to discuss the paved area around the Heritage Centre and, the utilisation of information received through the Funding Section of the Monthly Meeting Agenda.

9.14 It was resolved that £500 be set aside in the Budget to meet the costs of the Children's Street Party to be held in Market Square in order to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday on Saturday 11 June 2016.

9.15 It was resolved to approve a request from County for the partial lifting of Parking Restrictions on Stone Street subject to the proviso that parking will be limited to light vehicles. The proposal will now be put out to public consultation through County Hall.

9.16 An interim update on work to the monument situated on the A40 east of Llandovery which, have suffered some setbacks was received. A resolution to the current problem is imminent.

9.17 It was resolved that a letter of congratulations be sent on behalf of the Town Council to the Chair of the Llandovery Young Farmers Club in recognition of their success in coming First in both the Senior and, the Junior Section at the Carmarthenshire YFC Rally.

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

10.1 It was resolved to approve the schedule from the Town Clerk relating to income totalling £18,355.68 and payments totalling £3,911.22 for the period 1 to 30 April 2016.

10.2 The LTC Consolidated Statement of Accounts and the Budget Summary as at 30 April 2016 was noted
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11. FINANCIAL REQUESTS / CEISIADAU CYLLIDOL

11.1 It was resolved to contribute £2,000 from the Llandovery Projects Fund to the Llandovery Heritage CIO to aid funding the hire of a professional Fund Raiser. The contribution was made with the proviso that the Town Council receive regular and full updates as to the progress being made in acquiring further funding.

11.2 Subject to conditions which have to be agreed, it was resolved to fund the purchase of a Dog Waste Bin to be donated to Llandovery College for use on the Sports Fields.

11.3 A request to place two permanent signs on the A40 either side of Llandovery to celebrate the success of the Llandovery Drovers recent triumph in winning the Welsh Challenge Cup was tabled due to the difficulties in obtaining the necessary permissions from the South Wales Trunk Road Authority which works through the Welsh Assembly and in financing such a project which is a cost outside the limited financial resources of the Town Council.

11.4 It was resolved that a donation of £100 be made in response to a non-specific request for funding from Caitlin Morgan to participate in project Kalsom, in Malaysia.

12. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

12.1 A letter of thanks from the Llanwrda Cricket Club for the donation of £100 towards the cost of new Helmets was noted.

12.2 An invitation from County to attend "Code of Conduct" Training on one of two sessions, either on June 2nd or, June 16th was noted.

13. REGENERATION - ACTION POINTS
Nothing to report – Outstanding issues are still being processed by County

14. NEWS FROM THE TOWN HALL
1. To receive items for inclusion in the above section of The Post

15. FUNDING
1. To receive information or, to identify potential sources of Funding or Grants which can be applied for and utilised to realise aspects of the Councils Environmental Enhancement Project.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS - AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR - FOR INFORMATION ONLY / UNRHYW FATER ARALL YN OL DISGRESIWN Y GADAIR – GWYBODAETH YN UNIG.

S.C.D Carter

Stephen C D Carter
Clerk to Llandovery Town Council
18 May 2016

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Mayor
20/06/16