

LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY ON MONDAY 17 MARCH 2014 AT 7.00 PM.

COFNODION Y CYFARFOD BLYNYDDOL A GYNHALIWYD YN NEUADD Y DREF, LLANYMDDYFRI AR NOSLUN, MAWRTH 17 2014 AM 7.00 YH.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Chairing the meeting: The Mayor, Cllr Rees.

Councillors: Cllrs Jackson, Jones, Blud, Nigel Burgess, Wright, Dorothy Burgess, Smith, Hudson, Thomas, and Logsdail.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU

Cllrs Long, Wathan, and Morgan.

2. DECLARATIONS BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY PECUNIARY & NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS / DATGANIADAU'R AELODAU O DDIDDORDEBAU PERSONOL

Cllrs Dorothy Burgess, Nigel Burgess, Jones and Blud declared an interest in item 11.7.

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

- 3. 1. It was **resolved** that the minutes from 17 February 2014 be approved as a correct record.
- 3. 2. It was **resolved** that the minutes from 3 March 2014 be approved as a correct record.

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

PCSO Dion Parsons in attendance. The crime and incidents details in Llandovery for February 2014 were conveyed to Members. The number of crimes remains very low.

The number of complaints about the anti-social behaviour involving cars in the Castle car park, has reduced. With regard to the problem of parking adjacent to the junction of High Street and Bridge Street, the Police have taken action, issued warning notices, and the situation has improved.

PCSO Dion Parsons undertook to raise the matters of parking on the pavement in the High Street by "Brambles", parking on the pedestrianised area of the Market Square, and a horsebox parked in College View, with PC Davies.

The Mayor thanked PCSO Parsons for attending, and he left the meeting.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y MAER

February

- 17 Chair, Town Council Meeting.
- 19 League of Friends meeting.
- 22 Llandovery College function at Llandovery Rugby Football Club.
- 24 CCTV Committee Meeting.
- 24 Town Lights & Christmas Festivities Committee Meeting.

March

- 3 Llandovery in Bloom Committee Meeting.
- 3 Chair, Town Council Meeting.
- 3 Planning Committee Meeting.
- 4 School Governors meeting.
- 10 Finance Committee Meeting.

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y CYNGHORWR SIR

Cllr Jackson said that he was glad to report that the bus shelter by the station has been installed, and informed members that the matter of the proposed price rises in 2015-16 and 2016-17 for the use of sports facilities has been referred back to the Executive Board by the Full Council. In response to a question about whether this Council should proceed with Community Assets Transfer, Cllr Jackson advised that this Council should wait and see what happens, but it was pointed out that some Councils have already agreed to assets transfers.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU

7. 1. CCTV Committee / Pwyllgor CCTV

1. The minutes from the meeting on 24 February 2014 were noted, and the recommendations at items 6 and 8 in the minutes were considered.

It was **resolved** that the recommendations in the minutes at item 6 and 8 be approved.

7. 2. Town Lights & Christmas Festivities Committee / Pwyllgor Goleuadau Nadolig

1. The minutes from the meeting on 24 February 2014 were noted, and the recommendations at items 5 and 7 in the minutes were considered.

It was **resolved** that the recommendations in the minutes at item 5 and 7 be approved.

7. 3. Llandovery in Bloom Committee / Pwyllgor Gwyl Flodau, Llanymddyfri

1. The minutes from the meeting on 3 March 2014 were noted.

7. 4. Planning Committee / Pwyllgor Cynllunio

1. The minutes from the meeting on 3 March 2014 were noted.

7. 5. Finance Committee / Pwyllgor Cyllid

1. The minutes from the meeting on 10 March 2014 were noted, and the recommendations at items 6 and 8 in the minutes were considered.

It was **resolved** that the recommendations in the minutes at items 4 (that the payment of Salaries and PAYE for the Income Tax year 2014/15 and thereafter, be made electronically with effect from 1 April 2014, on condition that payments made by internet banking are properly authorised and monitored), 5 (that the banking arrangements, as to be amended, be approved), 6 (that the existing use of variable Direct Debit mandates for Rates, Gas, Electricity, Water, Broadband, Telephone, Printer, and Mobile telephone be re-approved), 7 (that the draft Financial Risk Assessment for 2013-14 be Approved), and 10 (that the Draft Budget for 2014-15, as amended, be approved) be approved.

7. 6. Heritage Museum Committee / Pwyllgor Amgueddfa Treftadaeth

1. A verbal update was received. Funding and planning aspects are being investigated.

8. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y CLERC Y TREF

The Town Clerk's Report for March 2014 was noted.

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL

1. Nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the year 2014 -15 were proposed and ratified.

It was **resolved** that Cllr Wright be the next Mayor.

It was **resolved** that Cllr Dorothy Burgess be the next Deputy Mayor.

2. The idea of holding the AGM Mayor Making part of the Annual General Meeting of the Council on 15 May 2014 under the arches of the Town Hall was considered.

It was **resolved** that this idea should not be pursued.

- 3. Information on Vacancy Procedure for Town and Community Councils was received and noted.
- 4. A report on the Public Transport Seminar hosted by Carmarthenshire County Council on 14 February 2014 was noted.
- 5. The contents of a letter from the Heart Of Wales Line Travellers' Association was considered and noted.

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

1. The schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £36.79, and payments totalling £10,538.97 for the period 1 to 28 February 2014 was considered.

It was **resolved** that the schedule from the Clerk be noted and approved.

2. The Consolidated Statement of Accounts as at 28 February 2014 was considered and noted.

11. FINANCIAL REQUESTS / CEISIADAU CYLLIDOL

1. A request from Mr Richard Goodridge for funding for The Golden Jubilee Charity Account in respect of the Ecumenical Service of Commemoration at Carmarthen Park on 3 August 2014 in the light of further information, was considered.

It was **resolved** that £50 be donated. To be ratified at the next meeting.

2. A request from Victim Support for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that the request be left on the table.

3. A request from Prism for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that the request be left on the table.

4. A request from NSPCC for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that the request be left on the table.

5. A request from Y Lloffwr for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that the request be left on the table.

6. A request from Menter Bro Dinefwr for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that the request be left on the table.

NOTE: Cllrs Dorothy Burgess, Nigel Burgess, Jones and Blud withdrew from the meeting.

7. A request from Llandovery Twinning Association for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that £100 be donated. To be ratified at the next meeting.

NOTE: Cllrs Dorothy Burgess, Nigel Burgess, Jones and Blud re-joined the meeting.

12. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

- 1. A letter of thanks from Morgan Davies for the donation made in January 2014 was noted.
- 2. A message of thanks from Jill Tatman, Llandovery YMCA, for the letter of support in connection with their application for National Lottery funding was noted.
- 3. The receipt of the Spring 2014 edition of "Yr Ardd" magazine from the National Botanic Garden of Wales was noted and given to Cllr Jones.

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

- 1. It was agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to Llandovery Rugby Football Club player Andrew Jones to mark his selection to play for the Barbarians in Dublin.
- 2. It was agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to Llandovery College Rugby Football Captain Daffyd Hughes to mark his selection to play for the Welsh Under-18 Team.
- 3. Cllr Wright reported that the Council had been awarded a 100% grant in connection with the Zero Carbon Future Initiative.
- 4. Cllr Wright reported that in response to a request from the Clerk who had been contacted by a member of the Regeneration Department of the County Council, she spoke to Mr Sam Palmer about the impact of the parking restrictions outside the Today shop in Broad Street on the plan to enhance the area around the War Memorial. This Council's support of a proposal to allow short term parking on that stretch of road will affect the plans being drawn up. It was agreed that this Council could not support a proposal to make that stretch of road a "No parking at any time" zone, despite the resultant need to change the plan to enhance the area around the War Memorial.
- 5. Cllr Nigel Burgess reported that he had been informed about a One Voice Wales Training Module on Devolution of Services, including Asset Transfer, which could be run in conjunction with neighbouring Councils. and this was noted.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.05 PM