

LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY ON MONDAY 16 JUNE 2014 AT 7.00 PM.

COFNODION Y CYFARFOD BLYNYDDOL A GYNHALIWYD YN NEUADD Y DREF, LLANYMDDYFRI AR NOSLUN. MEHEFIN 16 2014 AM 7.00 YH.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Chairing the meeting: The Mayor, Cllr Gill Wright,

Councillors: Jackson, Jones, Wathan, Morgan, Rees, Long, Thomas, Nigel Burgess, Dorothy Burgess, Smith, Blud, Hudson, and Logsdail.

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU
- 2. DECLARATIONS BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS/DATGANIADAU GAN GYNGHORWYR O UNRHYW FUDD PERSONOL NEU/AC ARIANNOL Cllr Blud declared an interest in item 11. 1.
- 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING / CADARNHAU'R COFNODION It was resolved that the minutes from 15 and 19 May 2014 be approved as a correct record.
- 4. POLICE MATTERS & REPORT / ADRODDIAD YR HEDDLU MATERION No Police in attendance.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y MAER

May 2014

- 15 AGM, Mayoral Inauguration Ceremony and Civic Dinner at The Castle Hotel
- 16 Christian Aid Concert
- 18 Civic Service
- 19 Chair, Town Council meeting
- 19 Planning Committee meeting
- 20 Llandovery League of Friends X-ray Appeal Fund event
- 20 Carmarthenshire Community Council Forum
- 23 Installation of the Mayor of Llandeilo and Civic Reception
- 24 Llandovery College Prize-giving
- 26 Llandovery Carnival
- 28 Zero Carbon Future 1st Workshop

June 2014

- 2 Working Party meeting to discuss preparations for Armed Forces Day
- 2 Planning Committee meeting
- 2 Llandovery Town Council Hub Committee meeting
- 5 Chair, Town Council Meeting
- 6 Meeting with Rev Ian Aveson to arrange Armed Forces Day service
- 6 Meeting with Llandovery Heritage Committee
- 7 Llandovery College Preparatory School Prize-giving
- 12 Chair, Town Council meeting
- 15 CCC Chairman's Civic Service, Llanybri

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

Cllr Jackson informed members he had nothing to report.

Cllr Jackson responded to questions about:

- road signage on the Cilycwm road: in Cilycwm Community Council's area, road signs to be erected,
- the hedge at the entrance to the swimming pool: the school's responsibility,
- litter on the Castle Field: County Council responsible overall, but the matter is the victim of a County demarcation dispute between the Street Cleaning and Grounds Maintenance Departments which, despite complaints from a local resident, is yet to be resolved.
- damage to playground equipment: County Council responsible overall, some repairs made and some equipment removed because of lack of funds,
- weeds around the town: County has started spraying.

The state of the planters in the car park was also raised: this is the responsibility of the organisations that have adopted them.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU

7. 1. Planning Committee / Pwyllgor Cynllunio

- 1. The minutes from the meeting on 19 May 2014 were noted.
- 2. The minutes from the meeting on 2 June 2014 were noted.

7. 2. Hub Committee / Pwyllgor Hub

1. The minutes from the meeting on 2 June 2014 were noted, and the recommendations at items 7, 10, and 12 in the minutes considered.

It was **resolved** that the recommendations in the minutes at item 7 (that the Council should enter into a 3-months trial agreement with Indycube to manage the Hub), 10 (that the original designs for the Hub logo be approved), and 12 (that the fridge as identified by the Project Manager be bought from Argos - on condition that a similar fridge cannot be bought locally at the same price) be approved.

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

The Town Clerk's Report for June 2014 was received and noted.

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL

1. A request from the Rhys Pritchard Memorial Hall Management Committee for the Town Council to fund the renewal of the insurance premium for the Hall for 2014-15 was considered.

It was **resolved** that the request should be granted.

2. A quote for the repair of a picture of the County School of Llandovery 1935 was considered

It was **resolved** that the quote be accepted.

- 3. An update from the Working Party making the arrangements to mark Armed Forces Day on 28 June 2014 was received. The Mayor asked all members to be present at this civic event.
- 4. Feedback from the Code of Conduct training event attended by Cllr Dorothy Burgess and the Clerk on 27 May 2014 was received, and the receipt of further Training was considered. The training was interesting and it is important that members have a good understanding of the Code. It was agreed that the training provider at County be informed that the Council is interested in receiving further training, preferably at a local training event.
- 5. A request from Trws Link Cymru for support for a campaign for the re-opening of the railway line between Aberystwyth and Carmarthen was considered.

It was **resolved** that a letter of support be sent.

6. The standard of cleaning of the roads by Swan Bridge was considered.

A letter from a local resident about the standard of cleaning of the slip roads by the bridge, and the state of the railings was read out. The cleaning of the slip roads is a matter for County, and it was agreed the Clerk refer the letter to the Waste Manager. The state of the bridge railings is a matter for the South Wales Trunk Road Agent, but some of the railings were cleaned two years ago by locals. The idea of a "Clean-up Day" was suggested, but it was agreed that enquiries first be made to find out if such tasks would provide suitable projects for criminals with community orders – Clerk to enquire.

It was reported that two properties on the slip road on the south side of the bridge (the right hand side heading towards Brecon) keep their bins on the pavement all the time, and this is causing a problem with vermin, and it was agreed the Clerk also refer the matter to the Waste Manager at County.

7. An update from Llandovery Heritage Group meeting on 6 June 2014 was received. The Group is awaiting decisions from the Council.

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

1. The schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £10,002.08, and payments totalling £12,438.68 for the period 1 to 30 May 2014 was considered.

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

- 2. The Consolidated Statement of Accounts at 30 May 2014 was received and noted.
- 3. The completed Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2014 following the Internal Audit, was received and considered.

It was **resolved** that the presentation to the Council of the completed Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2014 following the Internal Audit be confirmed and approved, that the Return be signed as required, and the Clerk authorised to send a copy to the External Auditor.

11. FINANCIAL REQUESTS / CEISIADAU CYLLIDOL

NOTE: Cllr Blud left the meeting.

1. A request from the Llandovery Sheep Festival Committee for funding for the Sheep Festival 2014 was considered further.

It was **resolved** that £500 be donated. To be ratified at the next meeting.

NOTE: Cllr Blud re-joined the meeting.

12. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

1. A letter from the Heart of Wales Line Travellers' Association was noted for information.

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. The Clerk informed members he has received no response about the Macebearer vacancy.
- 2. Cllr Morgan provided an update on the current position concerning the property aspects of the Heritage Museum scheme. The legal position concerning the transfer of property has not yet been established Cllr Morgan to pursue and then deal with the estate agent regarding possible purchase. Cllr Morgan was thanked for her efforts.
- 3. Possible action to publicise forthcoming events in the town was discussed. To be considered at the next Meeting.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.30 pm