



LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY ON MONDAY 15 JULY 2013 AT 7.00 PM.

COFNODION Y CYFARFOD BLYNYDDOL A GYNHALIWYD YN NEUADD Y DREF, LLANYMDDYFRI AR NOSLUN, GORFFENNAF 15 2013 AM 7.00 YH.

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

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU

Cllrs Ennion and Thomas.

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

None

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

3. 1. It was **resolved** that the minutes from 17 June 2013 be approved as a correct record.
3. 2. It was **resolved** that the minutes from 1 July 2013 be approved as a correct record.

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

PC Howie Davies in attendance. The crime and incidents details in Llandoverly for June 2013 were conveyed to Members. The number of crimes remains very low. One fixed penalty has been issued for parking on the pedestrian area in Market Square. Anyone concerned about "Boy racers" should contact the Police on 101.

In response to the matter of traffic speeds in Garden Lane, and parking opposite the gateway to the College, PC Davies advised members that parked vehicles are a natural way to slow down vehicles, there have been no accidents, the signs are in order and the surface has been improved. Anyone with a complaint about parking in this public road should consult with him or the Highways Department at County.

In response to the matter of vehicles being parked on the grass verge in Dingat Terrace, PC Davies asked that an email be sent to him.

The Mayor thanked PC Davies for attending, and he left the meeting.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y MAER

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| 17 June | Chair, Town Council Meeting. |
| 17 June | Chair, Planning Committee Meeting. |
| 29 June | Glasallt Fawr Summer Fete |
| 30 June | Attending County Council Civic Service at Gorslas. |
| 1 July | Opening of the Hub. |
| 1 July | Chair, Town Council Meeting. |
| 1 July | Chair, Planning Committee Meeting. |
| 6 July | Town Criers' Competition and Celebration Dinner. |
| 7 July | Attending church service. |
| 8 July | Heritage Centre Committee Meeting. |
| 8 July | Forward Planning Committee Meeting. |

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

Cllr Jackson informed members that cleaning of the Bawddwr has been completed. Rubble has been removed and time will tell how effective the work has been. National Resources Wales have done all they can.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU

7. 1. Planning Committee / Pwyllgor Cynllunio

1. The minutes from the meeting on 17 June 2013 were noted.
2. The minutes from the meeting on 1 July 2013 were noted.
Cllr Hudson expressed his view that the resolutions should either approve or refuse an application.

7. 2. Heritage Centre Committee / Pwyllgor Canolfan Dreftadaeth

1. The minutes from the meeting on 8 July 2013 were noted, and the recommendations at items 6, 7 and 8 considered.

It was **resolved** that the recommendations at items 6 (that no changes be made to the Terms of Reference, but the name of the Committee should be changed to Llandovery Town Council Hub Committee), 7 (that the revised budget be accepted), and 8 (that, provided it is established that the existence of a temporary display of artefacts will not affect the Council's ability to obtain grants for a permanent museum, the Council should give access to the artefacts with a view to Llandovery History Society setting up a temporary display in rooms in the Castle Hotel) be approved.

2. Changes to the membership of the Committee were considered and approved.

7. 3. Forward Planning Committee / Pwyllgor Cynllunio Blaenllaw

1. The minutes from the meeting on 8 July 2013 were noted, and the recommendations at items 6, 7 and 8 considered.

It was **resolved** that the recommendations at items 6 (that the siting of the interpretation panels should be decided by Cllrs Smith, Wright and Ennion, who should report to the Full Council on 15 July 2013), 7 (that the Riverside Walk project be put on hold at present), and 8 (that David Pugh of Prime Cymru be invited to meet with the Forward Planning Committee to clarify the way forward to the development of a new permanent site for a Heritage Museum) be approved.

Cllr Wright reported that she had contacted the Planning Officer and received approval for the large interpretation panel to be installed on the pavement on the town side of the bus stop, and the small panel to be installed on the Jubilee Patio wall adjacent to the Council's notice board.

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

The Town Clerk's Report for July 2013 was received and noted.

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL

1. The election of the Mayor as a Governor of Ysgol Rhys Prichard was considered.

It was **resolved** that Cllr David Rees be elected as a Governor of Ysgol Rhys Prichard

2. A response to an article and open letter to the Council published in the June 2013 edition of The Post was considered. It was agreed that it was not desirable to get involved in a "slanging match".

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

3. A Notice of Consultation from the Local Development Plan Team, Brecon Beacons National Park Authority was considered.

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

4. An invitation from Carmarthenshire Environment Partnership to apply for grant funding for projects to help deliver the outcome within the Carmarthenshire Integrated Strategy – Carmarthenshire's Communities and Environment are sustainable – was considered.

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

5. The contents of a letter from Jonathan Edwards AS/MP to the Clerk offering support from his constituency office was considered

It was **resolved** that the offer should be noted

6. Action to mark Armed Forces Day 2014 was considered.

It was agreed that Cllr Wright would take charge of the organisation of an event with the support of fellow Councillors.

7. A verbal report on a Fireworks event planned for November 2013 was received.

The Town Council's involvement is limited to seeking the support of sponsors for the event.

8. The minutes from the meeting of Hub Working Party on 2 July 2013 were received and noted, and the proposal at item 2 was considered. It was noted that the proposed expenditure at item 2 was a regeneration matter and not related to the Hub, and no further action was appropriate.

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

1. The schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £6,252.45, and payments totalling £6,367.09 for the period 1 to 30 June 2013 was considered.

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

2. The Consolidated Statement of Accounts at 30 June 2013 was received and noted.
3. The Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2013, duly certified by the Clerk at Section 3 following the notification from the External Auditor of their proposed audit certificate and opinion, was received and considered for approval. The Clerk was congratulated on a query-free outcome.

It was **resolved** that the Annual Return be approved and certified by the Mayor.

4. The approval of the payment of the Hub Manager's mobile telephone bills by Direct Debit was considered. The Clerk will monitor the expenditure.

It was **resolved** that the Hub Manager's mobile telephone bills be paid by Direct Debit.

11. FINANCIAL REQUESTS / CEISIADAU CYLLIDOL

1. The donation decision taken at the June 2013 meeting, when it was resolved that £500 be donated to Llandovery Sheep Festival Committee for funding for the Sheep Festival 2013 was ratified.
2. A request from Llandovery Walkers are Welcome for funding was considered.

It was **resolved** that £450 be donated. To be ratified at the next meeting.

12. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

1. A copy of "Yr Ardd" magazine from the National Botanic Garden of Wales was received and given to Cllr Jones for circulation.
2. A letter from the Chief Executive of One Voice Wales was received and noted, and the Summer 2013 edition of "The Voice" was given to Cllr Nigel Burgess for circulation.
3. The receipt of the Annual Report of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales for 2012/13 was noted.

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

1. Cllr Jones informed members that a local person had received a "Child of Courage" award following an event organised by The Carmarthen Journal. It was agreed that a letter of congratulations from the Council be sent to the recipient.
2. The proposed parking restrictions notified to local businesses and residents by the South Wales Trunk Road Agent were discussed as a matter of urgency in view of the date set for responses to be made. It appeared that the scheme approved by the Town Council two years ago had been altered.

It was **resolved** that a Sub Committee comprising Cllrs Hudson, Logsdail, Jones and Jackson, investigate the matter to clarify the situation and advise SWTRA accordingly

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.16 PM