

LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY ON MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2013 AT 7.00 PM.

<u>COFNODION Y CYFARFOD BLYNYDDOL A GYNHALIWYD YN NEUADD Y DREF,</u> <u>LLANYMDDYFRI AR NOSLUN, TACHWEDD 18 2013 AM 7.00 YH.</u>

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

Councillors: Jones, Blud, Nigel Burgess, Dorothy Burgess, Wright, Smith, Logsdail, Hudson, Thomas, Ennion, and Long.

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU Clirs Jackson and Morgan.
- 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** It was **resolved** that the minutes from 21 October 2013 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

October

- 18 Llandovery and District Carnival Dinner Dance
- 21 Chair, Town Council Meeting
- 21 Chair, Planning Committee meeting
- 23 Meeting of Governors at Rhys Prichard School

November

- 10 Remembrance Day Parade and Service, Llandovery
- 13 Meeting of Governors at Rhys Prichard School
- 6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y CYNGHORWR SIR County Clir Jackson not present.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU

- 7. 1. Planning Committee / Pwyllgor Cynllunio
- 1. The minutes from the meeting on 21 October 2013 were noted.
- 8. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y CLERC Y TREF The Town Clerk's Report for November 2013 was noted.

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL

- 1. A presentation on the installation and operation of a community defibrillator was received from Mr Steve Roberts from the Welsh Ambulance Service. He suggested that a public meeting be organised to demonstrate how a First Responders Scheme works.
- 2. Committee membership was reviewed. Clerk to issue an updated list to all Members.
- 3. A proposal from Carmarthenshire County Council to install Raised Plateau Crossing Points on Broad Street in Llandovery to provide a safer crossing point for pedestrians, and to link the discontinuous footways, was considered.
 - It was **resolved** that the Council object to the installation of the structures on the following grounds:
 - a. The structures are unnecessary as crossing points because pedestrians cross the road elsewhere.
 - b. The structures will introduce potentially dangerous hazards for (albeit illegally) speeding motorbikes.
 - c. The structures' potential as devices to reduce the speed of traffic is doubted.
 - d. The structure will affect parking for the Church.

Also, the matter of consultation with the local residents in Broad Street was raised. A member had discussed the proposal with one of the residents the previous week, and they were not aware of the proposal. Clerk to raise this matter with County.

- 4. An update on the matter concerning the access gate between the rear of the Coop store and the Dolau Bran estate in connection with the safety and security of the residents was received. Enquiries have been made with some of the residents, and it was established that the walkway is used by some, and no one spoken to saw any problem with the situation as it is.
- A verbal update on the Website Development project was received. Cllr Logsdail has been liaising with the developer and proposals for improvements requiring additional expenditure will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting for consideration.
- 6. Action to store and or display the Llandovery Twinning gifts and artefacts was considered. It was proposed that the artefacts could be displayed in a cabinet at a location to be decided. Cllr Dorothy Burgess undertook to assess the size of cabinet needed and to report to the next meeting.
- 7. A request from County Cllr Pam Palmer to support the Christmas Toybox scheme was considered. It was noted that there are two collection containers at Pantycelyn School.

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

8. The contents of correspondence from Mr John Evans, Secretary, Llandovery Croquet and Bowls Club, was considered.

Mr Evans' excellent work in bringing the bowling green facility back into use was welcomed.

9. A request from Christopher Salmon, Police and Crime Commissioner, for help in publicising the 2014/15 Council Tax Policing Precept Survey, was considered.

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

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

1. The schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £15,995.71 and payments totalling £5,721.65 for the period 1 to 31 October 2013 was considered.

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

- 2. The Consolidated Statement of Accounts as at 31 October 2013 was considered and noted.
- 3. The action taken by the Clerk to arrange insurance for office equipment was considered.

It was **resolved** that the action taken by the Clerk to arrange insurance for office equipment be approved.

11. FINANCIAL REQUESTS / CEISIADAU CYLLIDOL

- 1. The donation decision taken at the October 2013 meeting when it was resolved that £50 be donated to National Eisteddfod Wales, was ratified.
- 2. A request from BLAS (Life After Stroke) Ammanford & District for funding was considered.

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

3. A request from Urdd Gobaith Cymru for funding was considered.

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

4. A request from Richard J Goodridge for funding for staging a World War One Commemoration Event on 3 August 2014 was considered.

It was resolved that Mr Goodridge be invited to a meeting of the Council.

Cllr Wright undertook to enquire with the British Legion as to whether a local event is to be organised.

5. A request from Mike Powell, Llandovery Fireworks Display Steering Committee for funding towards the 2013 Fireworks Display was considered. Funding an event whose profits are given to charity was queried. Funding an organised fireworks event which was monitored and safely organised was seen as a service to the community to make the town a safer place with less of a problem on the streets. The event was done at cost with several local organisations being involved.

It was **resolved** that £600 be donated to pay for the fireworks. To be ratified at the next meeting.

The event was a great success. Clerk to send a letter of congratulations to the organising committee.

12. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

1. The receipt of a letter of thanks from Towy Youth Actors for the donation made in October 2013 was noted.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:50 PM