



LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI

MINUTES

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY
ON MONDAY 19 December 2016 AT 7:00 PM.

CYNHELIR CYFARFOD YN NEUADD Y DREF LLANMYDDFRI
AR NOSLUN, RHAGFYR 19 2016 AM 7:00 YH.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU

Cllr G. Jones and 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 The CIO Committee Members declared an interest in item 9.7 and left the chamber whilst the matter was discussed and, the proposal voted upon.

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

3.1 The Minutes from the Council Meeting of 21 December 2016 were approved as a correct record. It was resolved that:-

- a. The resolution made in November, 8.1 in the Minutes, be ratified and that an amendment to the LTC Constitution/Standing Orders be made. Section 8 sub para 5.3 to be amended to read "one councillor is required to sign a cheque and the Clerk is to countersign".

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

No Police in attendance.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y MAER

Mayoral Events Attended 21 November – 19 December 2016

21 November	Full Council Meeting
24 November	Playgrounds Transfer of Assets Working Group Meeting
05 December	Llandovery Town Council Finance Committee Meeting
12 December	Gollop Preparatory School, Presentation to Christmas Poster Prize Winners.
13 December	Interview for Llandovery College Interactive e-book
14 December	Ysgol Rhys Prichard, Presentation to Christmas Poster prize Winners
19 December	Full Council Meeting

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

Cllr Jackson delivered a verbal report regarding the application to resurface Castle Street. A well-attended meeting had taken place between the residents of Castle Street and Ruth Mullen, Director of Environment at CCC. Whilst agreed that Castle Street was in dire need of resurfacing financial difficulties would prevent an immediate resolution within the current Financial Year.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU

7.1 The notes from the Meeting of the Transfer of Assets Working Group were noted and it was resolved that:-

- a. Llandovery Town Council (LTC) declare an expression of interest to Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC) in taking over responsibility for Castle Fields Play Park, Castle Fields Skate Park, Green Lodge Play Park and Maesglas Play Park.
- b. That a solicitor be appointed to act on behalf of Llandovery Town Council to negotiate the transfer of the above assets.
- c. That following the transfer of the play parks from CCC to LTC that three Community Groups be formed (With Councillors as permanent Members) to assume control of the management and maintenance of each site.
- d. That the Town Clerk be seconded to the Playgrounds Working Group.

7.2 The minutes of a meeting of the Finance Committee Meeting held at RPMH on 5 Dec 2016 were received and noted:-

- a. It was resolved that in the event that Lloyd's Bank commit to close the local Branch, that the Council, giving due consideration to the necessity for regular face-to-face consultation with Banking representatives in the stewardship of the Councils Financial matters and Accounts, consider transferring their various accounts from Lloyds to the remaining Branch of Barclays Llandovery.
- b. It was resolved that Llandovery Town Council adopt the fully Revised Model Financial Regulations, as revised by the Financial Committee.
- c. It was resolved that the Draft Budget for 2017/18 be accepted.
- d. It was resolved that the Precept Demand for 2017-18 be increased by 5% to £50,500.
- e. It was resolved to offer the appointment of Llandovery Town Council Internal Auditor to Mr. Lyn Llewelyn.

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

No Report submitted

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL

9.1 A verbal update and report from the CIO was delivered by Cllr Wright. A meeting of the CIO will be held on the 20th December to increase membership of the Board of Trustees and to work up a project strategy to put to funding organisations

9.2 An update from the "Asset Transfer" Working Group was received via the notes at 7.1 above.

9.3 An update on the Pantycelyn School Lease was delivered by the Town Clerk. An amended lease, taking in consideration the previous comments from the Council and Pantycelyn, has been received from Carmarthenshire County Council legal Team. The lease has been circulated to members with a request that further comments and observations are submitted by 03 January 2017.

9.4 Following representation being made to Lloyd's Bank Snr Management regarding the potential closure of the local Branch of Lloyd's a pithy form letter response from the Lloyd's Complaints Department has been received. It was resolved that the campaign be taken to the press in order to publicise the issues.

9.5 It was resolved that, given the continued financial pressures and reduced income under which the Council are operating plus, the ever increasing demands placed upon these limited financial resources such as the Pantycelyn Hall, the transfer of the four Playing fields from County to Town Council responsibility, the ongoing Management, Utilities and Maintenance costs of the Heritage Centre/Business Hub, the Llandovery Regeneration project etc. that the Council cease responding positively to any requests for Donations from local Charities or organisations including committees or any private individuals that are not linked to the Council.

9.6 Deleted – proposal covered in Item 7.1 b. above

9.7 In order to reduce Llandovery Town Council financial exposure it was resolved to offer the Heritage Centre to the CIO on a 99 Year lease on a peppercorn rent with the proviso that there would be no further financial input from Llandovery Town Council.

9.8 A verbal report from the One Voice Wales Area Meeting held on 15th November 2016 was delivered by Cllr N. Burgess. (Printed copy attached)

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

10.1. It was resolved to approve the schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £766.30 and payments totalling £2,901.25 for the period 1 to 30 November 2016.

10.2. The Consolidated Statement of Accounts and the Budget Summary as at 30 November 2016 were noted.

10.3. The Responsible Financial Officer's Report for December 2016 was received and noted.

10.4. It was resolved to retrospectively approve an adjustment to the Budget for 2016-17 from 1 November 2016 to account for the Heritage Centre Rates Demand.

10.5. It was resolved to approve adjustments to the Budget for 2016-17 from 1 December 2016 for as proposed at para 2 and 3 of the RFO report.

11. FINANCIAL REQUESTS / CEISIADAU CYLLIDOL

None

12. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

12.1 It was resolved to approve a request from the National Youth Boys' Choir to perform a short "Pop-Up" concert in the Town Centre sometime during 8-12 April 2017.

13. REGENERATION - ACTION POINTS

13.1 The Town Clerk will continue to engage with the various officers and Departments at County Hall in order to resolve outstanding issues.


14. FUNDING

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 – **Ongoing**.

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



SCD Carter
Clerk to Llandovery Town Council
19 December 2016



David Long
Mayor
19 December 2016