



LLANDOVERY TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF LLANYMDDYFRI
MINUTES

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, LLANDOVERY
ON MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7:00 PM.

CYNHELIR CYFARFOD YN NEUADD Y DREF LLANYMDDYFRI
AR NOSLUN, 18 MEDI 2017 AM 7:00 YH.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE / YMDDIHEURIADAU

Cllr P. Smith, Cllr G. Jones & Cllr I. Jackson

2. DECLARATIONS BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS/ DATGANIADAU GAN GYNGHORWYR O UNRHYW FUDD PERSONOL NEU/AC ARIANNOL

2.1. Cllr D. Long declared a personal interest in item 9.8 and took no part in the discussion or voting.

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

3.1 The Minutes from the Council Meeting of Monday 17 July 2017 were approved as a correct record.

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

4.1 PCSO Stephen Griffiths was in attendance and gave a verbal report to the Town Council.

- a. In response to questions relating to an accident on the bend near to the Bridge over the Towy, it was resolved that a letter be sent to the SWTRA requesting that the 30MPH speed restriction signs be relocated 50-100 metres before the bend.
- b. It was reported that additional Police Resources and Specials would be on duty over the coming Sheep Festival Week-End
- c. In response to observations regarding the speed that motorbikes are being driving at between Brecon and Llandovery over the weekends, PCSO Griffiths responded that Dyfed Powys Police carry out Op-Darwin as part of their Accident Prevention & Traffic Calming Strategy. It was perhaps telling that the majority of vehicles that had to be stopped for speeding were cars rather than Motorbikes.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT / ADRODDIAD Y MAER

Mayoral Events Attended 16-July-2017 – 25-August-2017

17 th July	Full Council Meeting
24 th July	Hub Committee
29 th July	Blaenos House Barbecue
5 th August	Llandovery in Bloom presentations
21 st August	Forward Planning Committee
22 nd August	Hub Committee
25 th August	Llandovery Hospital League of Friends Sumer Fete

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

6.1 Cllr H. Davies reported that his induction onto the County Council continues. He further reports that he is representing members of the Community at County Hall as and when required or, when approached by individuals.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ADRODDIADAU PWYLLGORAU

7.1. The minutes of a meeting of the CIO held on Monday 10 July 2017 were received and noted.

7.2. The minutes of a meeting of the Heritage Centre Committee held on Monday 24 July 2017 were received and noted

7.3. The minutes of a meeting of the CIO held on Thursday 3 August were received and noted.

7.4. The minutes of a meeting of the Forward Planning Committee held on Monday 21 August 2017 were received and noted.

7.4a It was resolved to approve the recommendation at para 5. A response has yet to be received from County Hall Property Services regarding the possibility that asbestos is present in Pantycelyn Hall.

7.5. The Minutes of a Meeting of the Heritage Centre Committee held on 22 August 2017 were received and noted

7.5a. It was resolved to approve in retrospect the recommendations of the Committee at para 7a and 7b.

7.6. The minutes of a Meeting of the Christmas Lights Committee held on Tuesday 5 September 2017 were received and noted.

7.6a. It was resolved to approve the recommendation that the Christmas Tree mounted on the upper wall of the Town Hall be removed and relocated.

7.7. The minutes of a Meeting of the Heritage Centre Committee held on Monday 11 September 2017 were received and noted.

7.7a. It was resolved to extend an invitation to the BBNPA for a further season of occupation on the Ground Floor of the Heritage Centre from April 2018 through October 2018.

7.7b. It was resolved to allow the lease for part of the Heritage Centre currently under negotiation with the CIO to "Roll-over" the proposed end date of April 2018 through to October 2018 when the situation will be reviewed again.

7.7c. It was resolved that a letter be sent to the Llandovery History Society notifying the Society that the artefacts currently on loan to them will need to, on completion of preparations for the opening of the Llandovery Museum, be returned to custodianship of the Town Council.

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

8.1 The Town Clerks Report was received and noted.

8.1a. It was resolved to approve the expenditure of £25.00 in respect of alterations to the Conference Room Doors within the Heritage Centre.

8.1b. It was resolved to approve the expenditure of £19.14 for repairs to the toilet seat within the Heritage Centre. *Cllr Hudson reminded the Chamber that expenditure of less than £25.00 did not require the approval of the Council.*

8.1c. It was resolved to approve the expenditure of £113.33 (Ex VAT) for the purchase of a Presentation Crystal Bowl.

9. MATTERS ARISING / UNRHYW FATER ARALL

9.1 Cllrs Wright, Burgess and Blud delivered a verbal update from the CIO Committee to the Council. A long and protracted discussion took place within the Chamber. It was resolved that

the CIO draw up an Agenda for a meeting between the CIO and members of the Council. The Agenda to be presented to the Council for agreement of the items for discussion before a date is set for the meeting.

9.2 There was no report from the Asset Transfer Working Group. Further reports and action will follow the signing of the Leases/Transfer documents for the Play Parks.

9.3 The Town Clerk informed the Council that there was no change to the report from July and that the Council Solicitor was still awaiting a response regarding questions around Asbestos testing at Pantycelyn Hall from CCC Legal Team.

9.4 Cllr Blud delivered an update on the proposed fireworks display, due to the non-availability of the Fireworks vendor on November 5 it was reported that the Fireworks event had been cancelled for this year.

9.5. It was resolved to accept the Draft "Terms of Reference" for the Llandoverly Dementia Friendly Community Steering Group. (Attached to these Minutes)

9.6. It was resolved to hold a Presentation Event to mark the retirement, from the Town Council of Cllr Elizabeth A. Thomas after over 30 years of service to the Town and Community as Councillor and Mayor. The event will take place at the Castle Hotel on 6 October 2017 commencing at 18:30Hrs.

9.7. This Agenda Item was dealt with under 7.7a above.

9.8. It was resolved to accept the recommendations contained within the PACH Website Analytics Review in regards to widening the scope of the Council Website. Town Clerk to liaise with PACH.

9.9. It was resolved to approve a proposal from Julie Prosser of the Farmers Market that the Town Council assume custodianship of the 10 double Stalls belonging to the Farmers Market which is in the process of being disbanded. It was resolved to approve an expenditure of £70.87 in settlement of an outstanding insurance payment.

Cllr J. Blud handed in the sum of £561. Monies donated to the Council by Mrs Liz McGill and raised through the hiring out of the Stalls to the Friday Market vendors (A separate organisation from the Farmers Market)

9.10. This Agenda item was resolved prior to the Council Meeting.

10. ACCOUNTS / CYFRIFON

10.1. It was resolved to approve the schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £1.86 and payments totalling £4,938.21 for the period 1 to 31 July 2017.

10.2. It was resolved to approve the Consolidated Statement of Accounts and Budget Summary as at 31 July 2017.

10.3. It was resolved to approve the schedule from the Clerk relating to income totalling £18,006.63 and payments totalling £3,328.72 for the period 1 to 31 August 2017.

10.4. It was resolved to approve the Consolidated Statement of Accounts and Budget Summary as at 31 August 2017.

10.5. The outcome of the External Audit of the Annual Return for the year ending 31 March 2017 was noted.

11. CORRESPONDENCE / GOHEBIAETH

11.1. The HoWLTA Newsletter was received and noted

11.2. A letter requesting a donation was received from "Walkers are Welcome" It was resolved to make a 'donation of £150 this year towards 'Walkers are Welcome' to cover Insurance costs of £110 and the annual membership fee of £30 based on the fact that the Group was started at the request of the Council. It was further resolved that no further donation would be made in future years without a review and, sight of the WAW Accounts. Cllr Hudson voted against the motion and requested that his vote be noted in the minutes.

12. REGENERATION - ACTION POINTS

12.1. A response is still awaited from County Hall Conservation Officers to a request that the Town Council be permitted to place Hanging Baskets on the Craft Centre during the Llandoverly in Bloom season.

12.2. Cllr H. Davies is continuing his negotiations with County Hall property Services to get essential maintenance and decoration carried out on the Arches and Town Hall.

12.3. The Town Clerk continues to press the South Wales Truck Road Agent (SWTRA) for a response to requests from the Town Council for permissions for various Projects along the A40 and approach Roads to the Town.

13. NEWS FROM THE TOWN HALL

13.a A number of news items were submitted which will appear in "The Post" under "News from the Town Hall"

14. FUNDING/GRANTS - LEADS

14.1. Cllr G Wright stated that grants of up to £10,000 were available from "Awards for all". Cllr Wright will obtain further information. Cllr D. Burgess stated that it was necessary for someone to be appointed to pursue Grant & Funding Leads, it was not sufficient that leads were just brought to a meeting and aired without someone either undertaking or, being delegated, to take responsibility for submitting an application.

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

15.1. It was reported that Llandoverly Post Office would close in April 2018 due to the current proprietors moving on to new pastures. Item to be Agendered for the next Council Meeting.

15.2. It was reported to the Council by Mr Dai Dyer that a commemorative walk was held on Sunday 3 September to commemorate the life of William Williams, Pantycelyn. The 6.5-mile walk was well attended with some 50 walkers taking part and a further 30 joining the group for Hymn singing.

15.3. Cllr. Blud gave thanks, on behalf of the Council, to Cllr. D. Burgess for arranging the Presentation to Mrs Elizabeth A. Thomas M.B.E. and stated that she wanted it minuted.

SCD Carter
Clerk to Llandoverly Town Council
18 September 2017

David Long
Mayor
18 September 2017