

**CYNGOR TREF LLWCHWR**

**LLWCHWR TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting of  
Llwchwr Town Council  
held on 30 April 2018**

**PRESENT: Councillor C.Phillips(Chairman)**

Councillors S. Beynon, J. Bowen, Wendy Evans,  
William Evans, I. James, C. Richards,  
P.Parsons, R. V. Smith, W. Smith, D J Walters, J. Williams,  
P. M. Williams and R.Williams.

(Welfare Hall, Loughor: 7.15pm – 8.20pm.)

**180. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor was pleased to confirm that she had presented cheques to the Loughor Brownies and the Scouts in Gorseinon..  
The Mayor also reported that the Council's Annual Dinner had been held the week before and had been a successful evening.

**181. APOLOGIES**

There were apologies for absence from Councillors A.Davies, H.Huelin and K.Roberts .

**182. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**183. MINUTES OF COUNCIL**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

**184. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no Matters arising.

**185. WELFARE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Welfare Hall Management Committee held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April,2018 were **NOTED**.

**186. FUNCTIONS SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Functions Sub-Committee held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 were **NOTED**

**187. POLICE REPORT**

The Mayor welcomed Sergeant Morris to the Meeting. Sergeant Morris reported that the amount of crime, generally, in the Council area was still low although there had been an increase in theft from commercial vehicles which the Police were investigating; he also reported some instances of neighbour disputes and some anti-social behaviour. The Mayor thanked the Officer for his Report.

**188. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that it had been necessary to forward a new cheque to the Loughor Events Committee.

**189. MEMBERS REPORTS**

Members discussed the Annual Dinner held the week before and that it had been a very successful event.

**190. REPORT OF THE CLERK**

**(a) Police Matters**

It was NOTED that there were no matters to report

**(b) Accounts for Payment**

It was **RESOLVED** that the following payments be authorised:

A W Davies-postage for the Meeting	£7.80
A W Davies Bar Supplies	£98.63
A W Davies Bar Supplies	£2.95
I James Plastic Bowls	£7.00
Vimla Dasi Annual Dinner Entertainment	£60.00
Jan Thomas Annual Dinner Bouquets	£50.00
P K Johnson Fees re rendering and painting	£250.00
P Owens External Painting of Hall	£650.00

**(c) Council Grants**

**(i) Bopath Children's Therapy Centre Wales**

It was **NOTED** that the organisation was seeking financial support

**(d) Anti Litter Campaign**

It was **NOTED** that there was nothing to report at this time

**(e) Local Development Plan**

It was **NOTED** that there was nothing further to report at this time

**(f) BNP Paribas –Leasing charges**

It was **NOTED** that the quarterly leasing charge for the photocopier in the sum of £182.40 will be paid by Direct Debit on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

**(g) One Voice Wales/SLCC Joint Event-16 May 2018**

It was **NOTED** that the Clerk will be attending the above Event

**(h) Eligibility Criteria for the Appointment of the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor**

It was **RESOLVED** that the wording of the Eligibility Criteria Report presented by the Clerk be accepted save that in Paragraph 4(b) thereof the following words be deleted-“counted consecutively and without any breaks in service prior to such nomination.”

(i) Wildflower Planting

It was **RESOLVED** that the cost of wildflower seeds be paid amounting to £280.00 plus VAT and **NOTED** that the only area for such flowers at present would be the Cwmladron Roundabout

It was **FURTHER NOTED** that the issue of Wildflower Planting should be discussed in the October Meeting of Council and that specifically the issues of troughs and planting in the Kingsbridge district could be raised

(j) Briefing Session/Interactive Workshop on Well-Being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015

It was **NOTED** that no Member would be available to attend

(k) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales

The following parts of the Report were **NOTED**-

(i) Members were entitled to an annual payment of £150.00 in respect of telephones, I.T. etc. The Council cannot resolve to not to make this payment but each Member can in writing inform the Clerk that he/she does not require such payment

(ii) The Council can make an additional annual payment of £500.00 to up to 5 members for specific responsibilities-this was aimed at Committee Chairmen

(iii) The Council must provide for the reimbursement of cost of care for dependent children and adults up to a maximum of £403.00 per month

(iv) The Council is authorised to make a Civic Head payment to the Mayor up to a maximum of £1,500.00 and a payment to the Deputy of up to £500.00

It was **RESOLVED** as follows-

(i) accepted subject to any Member informing the Clerk in writing that he/she does not require such payment

(ii) not to make such payments

(iii) make such payments as and when required

(iv) to make a payment to the Mayor of up to £1,500 the specific amount to be determined at the Annual Meeting and further not to make any payment to the Deputy

**AND FURTHER IT WAS RESOLVED** to review such payments annually

(l) Council Newsletter 2018

It was **NOTED** that the Council Newsletter was being delivered

## 191. PLANNING REPORT

The Council considered the following planning applications upon which the observations of the Town Council had been requested

(a) It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection to the following-

(i) No.2018/0712 Garngoch Cottage, Swansea Road, Fforestfach-Mr C Collins- Proposed two storey part single storey side/rear extension incorporating a garage/utility room, first floor rear extension, addition of chimney on West elevation, replacement doors and windows

(ii) No.2018/0757-Unit B1 Kingsbridge Business Park, Mardy Trading Estate Gorseinon-Virgin Media Ltd-Installation of 2 replacement condensers

## 192 URGENT ITEMS

Councillor Bowen raised an issue that the defibrillator outside the Jireh Church had been used and not replaced

(for Information-Councillor Bowen has subsequently e mailed the Clerk to report that it had now been restored to its position)

## 193 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was **RESOLVED** that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the next item due to the confidential nature of the matter under discussion

## 194 FURTHER REPORT OF THE CLERK

(a) Payments

It was **RESOLVED** that the following payments be authorised:

AWD-salary (April)	£1,963.03
AWD office expenses (April)	£83.33
HMRC Town Council Tax and NI(April)	£771.24
N Livings wages(April)	£927.57
HMRC Welfare Hall Tax and NI(April)	£70.43

(b) Receipts and Payments

The current receipts and payments of the Council were **NOTED**

(c) Holidays

The holiday of the Incoming Clerk was **NOTED**