

CYNGOR TREF LLWCHWR

LLWCHWR TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of

Llchwyr Town Council

held on 11 June 2018

PRESENT: Councillor I.James (Chair)
Councillors S. Beynon, J.Bowen, Wendy Evans, William Evans,
H.Huelin, P.Parsons, C.Phillips, C. Richards, W.Smith and J. Williams .

(Welfare Hall, Loughor: 7.20pm – 8.25pm.)

19. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (a) The Mayor informed the Council that she and Councillor J.Bowen had on 23rd May visited the Town Hall with 30 pupils from Tre Uchaf Primary School. Subsequently the pupils had on their own accord put on several Fund raising events and had presented the Mayor with the sum of £315.00 to go towards the Town Hall; the Mayor wished to place on record her praise for the children's efforts.
- (b) On 25th May Councillor J.Bowen visited Casllwchwr School with the Council's Maces in order to present a history of the Town Hall, the School and the Maces themselves.
- (c) The Mayor informed the Council that the retiring Clerk's evening presentation had been held on the 25th May and he had been given a glass award
- (d) On 29th May the Mayor along with Councillors C.Richards and R.Smith had attended a Charity Walk for cancer relief held by the Friends of Parc William
- (e) On 2nd June there had been a period costume event at the old Town Hall which was 150 years old and the Mayor wished to thank those Councillors who had attended and assisted.
On the Sunday Evening there had been a Service at the Jireh Chapel which had raised a further £50.00 towards the Town Hall

20. APOLOGIES

There were apologies for absence from Councillors A.Davis, K.Roberts, R.Smith, D.Walters, P.Williams and R.Williams

21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made:-

Councillors C Richards, J Bowen and H.Huelin declared an interest in minute 29(c)(i) and withdrew from the meeting while the matter was discussed

Councillor J.Williams declared an interest in minute 29(c)(iii) and withdrew from the meeting while the matter was discussed

Councillor C.Phillips declared an interest in minute 31 and withdrew from the meeting while the matter was discussed

22. MINUTES OF COUNCIL

- (i) It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Council held on the 14th May 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

23. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

24. WELFARE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Welfare Hall Management Committee held on the 30th April 2018 were noted.

25. FUNCTIONS SUB-COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Functions Sub-Committee held on the 30th April 2018 were noted.

26. POLICE REPORT

Inspector Emma Fox and Sgt.Morris were in attendance and reported that generally crime figures had decreased although there were still some instances of domestic violence ,burglary and theft from commercial vehicles .The caravan parked on Woodlands Road had been damaged and might constitute a fire risk.All vehicles parked on the public highway might constitute an obstruction.By-laws could be passed by the Local Authority but it was believed Swansea had not done so.

27. CORRESPONDENCE

The e mail from Donna Howell was **NOTED**

28. MEMBERS REPORTS

There were no reports from Members

29. REPORT OF THE CLERK

(a) Police Matters

The Police statistics spreadsheet was **NOTED**

(b) Accounts for Payment

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

Rialtas Business Solutions Ltd-training for Clerk	£600.84
Kingsbridge Printers-letterheads	£184.80
Internal Auditors Fee	£370.00
W.Kirby-photographer	£330.98
N.Havard-postage	£8.04
N.Havard-printer/copier paper	£12.00
N.Havard stapler and staples	£8.99
N.Havard-travelling 297 miles @0.45p	£133.65

- (c) Council Grants-to be awarded by virtue of S.137 Local Government Act 1972
- (i) Casllwchwr Primary School
It was **RESOLVED** that a grant of £38.00 be awarded subject to receiving written confirmation from the School that the plastic water bottles would be re cycled
 - (ii) Bowls Clubs
It was **RESOLVED** that before any consideration could be given to making an award Members first wished to examine the annual Accounts of the three clubs concerned.
 - (iii) West Street Acrobatic Gymnastics Centre,Gorseinon
It was **RESOLVED** that a grant of £600.00 be awarded and it was **NOTED** that the Centre had not received any funding from the Council last year hence the award of £600.00
 - (iv)Casllwchwr Ladies Bowls Club
It was **NOTED** that a letter of thanks had been received.
- (d) Review of the Electoral Arrangements for the City and County of Swansea by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales
The Clerks report was **NOTED** .
- (e) General Data Protection Regulation
The Clerks report was **NOTED**
- (f) SLCC/One Voice Wales Joint Conference,Llandrindrod Wells 16th May,2018
The Clerks Report was **NOTED**
- (g) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales
The Clerks report was **NOTED** and it was **RESOLVED** that Members should within 28 days of the Meeting write or e mail to the Clerk their intention as to whether or not they wished to receive the prospective £150.00 allowance.
- (h) Charles Arnold-Baker Local Council Administration
It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorised to purchase the above book for the sum indicated.
- (i) Audit for the Year ended 31st March,2018
The Council gave consideration to the statement of accounts and the Annual governance statement for 2017/18.It was stated that the Internal Auditor had affirmed that there were no matters to be brought to the attention of Members.
It was **RESOLVED** that the statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement for 2017/18 be approved and the Mayor be authorised to certify and sign the Annual Return and any supporting documents

30. 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.2018/1041-Kingsbridge Area 22 Swansea Road,Gorseinon
SA4 4HE

Mr.Anthony Jones-proposed single storey rear extension,front porch and detached garage

(ii)No.2018/1180-Kingsbridge Area 2 154 West Street,Gorseinon
SA4 4AG

Mr.Sarfraz Ahmed-single storey rear store room extension to retail Unit

(iii)No.2018/1145-Lower Loughor Area 2 66 Castle Street Loughor
SA4 6TS

Mr.Ryan Tozer-new access and hardstanding

(b)It was **RESOLVED** to defer comments on the following application pending a site visit:-

(i)No.2018/1165-Upper Loughor Area 2 Land between 5 & 9
Woodlands Road Loughor SA4 6PS

Mr.David Williams-detached boat shed

31. URGENT ITEMS

The Council discussed the position of the Council's photographer.It was recognised that the current photographer was in full time employment in addition to his Council role.It was believed that this duality of role had been and still was causing issues for the Council eg he was not always available for Events or there was no certainty he could be so available. The Council believed this position to be unsatisfactory and accordingly **RESOLVED** to terminate the photographer's contract.

The reason for urgency were the requirement for certainty for forthcoming Mayoral and Council Events

32. 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.

33. FURTHER REPORT OF THE CLERK

(a) Payments

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

(i) N.H – salary (May) -	£1,436.81
(ii) N.H – office expenses (May) -	£81.14
(iii) HMRC Town Council tax and N.I.	- £552.02
(iv) NL – Wages (May) -	£1085.15
(v) Welfare Hall PAYE/NI (May) -	£95.867

(b) Receipts and Payments

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

- (c) Loughor Rovers Football Club
The payment by the Club was **NOTED**

Chairman