

CYNGOR TREF LLWCHWR

LLWCHWR TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Llwchwr Town Council held on a remote basis in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 and by means of Google Meet held on the 5th July,2021

PRESENT: Councillor Jeff Bowen (Chair)

Councillors A.Davis, Will Evans, H.Huelin, I.James, P.Parsons, C.Phillips,
C.Richards, K.Roberts, R.V.Smith, W.Smith, D.Walters, and J.Williams.

(Remote Access: 7.10 pm – 7.45 pm)

34. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

(i) With great sadness the Mayor announced the death of Bethan Caton, wife of Martin Caton, who had died on the 15th June, 2021 aged 72 at her home at Llanmorlais.

The Mayor requested Councillor Robert Smith to say a few words-

“Bethan was a founder Member of Llwchwr Town Council and represented the Kingsbridge Ward; she was first elected in 1986 and served for four years. Bethan was a highly respected Member of the Town Council and many tributes were paid to her at her funeral. Bethan made a great contribution to the local Community.”

Members observed a minute’s silence as a mark of respect.

(ii) on the 21st June the Mayor presented a Council Award to Mrs. Jean Morris upon her attaining 90 years of age.

(iii) on the 5th July, at the Welfare Hall, the Mayor presented two Grant cheques of £200.00 each to Loughor Bowls Club and Loughor Workingmens Club.

35. APOLOGIES

There were apologies for absence from Councillors
S.Beynon, Wendy Evans, P.Williams and R.Williams

36. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declaration of interest was made:-

Councillor J.Bowen declared an interest in Minute 45(vi)

Councillor R.Smith declared an interest in Minute 45(vii)

Councillor H.Huelin declared an interest in Minute 45(vi)

Councillor C.Richards declared an interest in Minute 45(vi)

Councillor J.Williams declared an interest in Minute 45(vi)

Councillor I.James declared an interest in Minute 45(vii)

37. MINUTES OF COUNCIL

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on the 7th June,2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

38. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

39. WELFARE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE/TRUSTEES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Welfare Hall Management Committee/ Trustees held on the 7th June,2021 were noted and agreed.

40. FUNCTIONS SUB COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Functions Sub Committee held on the 7th June, 2021 were noted and agreed.

41. POLICE REPORT

The Police were not in attendance.

42. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that he had received an e mail from Swansea Council which contained Consultation documents in respect of Swansea Supplementary Planning Guidance.This document had been circulated to Members prior to the Meeting and Swansea Council were requesting comments before the next scheduled Meeting of the Town Council.

The Clerk's Report was noted and Members were requested to inform the Clerk of any individual comments they had on the Consultation documents.

43. MEMBERS REPORTS

Councillor C.Richards reported that on the 2nd July she had attended a meeting in respect of Llŵchwr Castle;the Mayor had also been in attendance as well as Tonia Antoniazzi M.P. and representatives of CADW and Mr.Toby Evans.Councillor Richards observed that at the last meeting of the Town Council Members had noted the Clerk's Report in respect of the Castle and which had contained correspondence from Mr.Evans.As a result of the meeting on the 2nd July the issues had become clearer and it was noted that Mr.Evans was not looking,at this time, for eg grant assistance from the Town Council.It was also noted that the Town Council were not the owners of the site of the Castle but rather Swansea Council.CADW were actively interested in Mr.Evans's proposals of setting up a website to show 360 degree views of the Castle and were contemplating a 15 minute heritage film on their website.

CADW generally interested in promoting the history of Loughor and as well as the Castle would refer to Loughor in Roman times,the industrial heritage and the Town Hall.

The website for the castle is www.GowerCastles.com

44. REPORT OF THE CLERK

(a) Police Matters

The Police Report had not been received.

(b) Accounts for Payment

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

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| Community Mag(Swansea Ltd) | £96.00 |
| Vaughtons | £63.17 |

(c) Grants

(i) Parc Williams Bowls Club

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED** and it was **RESOLVED** to make an award of £200.00.

(d) Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED** and it was **RESOLVED** that the convening of the Ad Hoc Pay and Performance Sub Committee be deferred until the Welsh Government Consultation referred to in the Report had been finalised.

(e) RNID

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED** and it was **RESOLVED** that the flyer referred to in the Report be published(space permitting) on the Council's NoticeBoards and website.

(f) SA4 Community Magazine

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED** and it was **FURTHER NOTED** that Councillors S.Beynon and C.Phillips had prepared Articles for the Magazine.

(g) Plenary Powers in the Recess

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED** and it was **RESOLVED** that delegated powers be granted to the Clerk in conjunction with the Mayor(or Deputy Mayor in his absence) together with the Chair of the Welfare Hall Management Committee/Trustees to deal with all matters appertaining to the Council or its business.

45. **PLANNING REPORT**

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

(i)-2021/1315 Kingsbridge - Area 2

61 Loughor Road, Gorseinon, Swansea, SA4 6AY

Mr Terrance Oliver- To lop one Oak tree covered by TPO 562

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

(ii)- 2021/1309 Upper Loughor - Area 2

17 Rectory Close, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6JU

Mrs Joanne Smith- Creation of a hard surface in rear garden including off road parking area, new vehicular access from St. Davids Close with new access steps, handrail and associated retaining structures
It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

(iii)-2021/1421 Lower Loughor - Area 2

9 Glanymor Park Drive, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6UQ

Mr Roger Rees- To fell one Pine tree and lop one Pine tree covered by TPO 656

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be an objection by the Town Council on the following grounds-

the Town Council objects to the Pine tree being felled unless it is dangerous or diseased;it would have no objection to it being lopped.

(iv)- 2021/1489 Lower Loughor - Area 2

5 Heol Pen Y Beili, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6SP

Mr David Sharpe- Single storey rear extension

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

(v)- 2021/1497 Upper Loughor - Area 2

175 Alexandra Road, Gorseinon, Swansea, SA4 4PE

Mr & Mrs Hannah & Owen Adams- Two storey rear extension

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

(vi)- 2021/1518 Lower Loughor - Area 2

Casllwchwr Primary School, Castle Street, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6TU

Mr O Thomas- Provision of one free standing canopy

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

(vii)- 2021/1527 Kingsbridge - Area 2

Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Pontybrenin, Loughor Road, Gorseinon, Swansea, SA4 6AU

C Scourfield- One freestanding canopy

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

(viii)- 2021/1483 Kingsbridge - Area 2

56 Belgrave Road, Gorseinon, Swansea, SA4 6RF

Mr & Mrs Whitehouse- Single storey side extension and alterations to rear utility room comprising creation of flat roof and addition of cavity walls

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection provided the proposed Works do not impinge on off road parking

(ix)- 2021/1493 Kingsbridge - Area 2

175 West Street, Gorseinon, Swansea, SA4 4AQ

Miss K. L. Mathews- Two storey side extension, single storey side/rear extension, single storey rear extension, side porch and rear dormer

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

- (x)- 2021/1412 Lower Loughor - Area 2
 Loughor Foundry, Gwydr Place, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6TW
 Mr Peter Bowen- Change of use of part of building from storage (Class B8) to a two storey cafe (Class A3) with outdoor seating and play area and associated parking, external alterations including access ramp, external staircase and new fenestration and associated works
 It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.
- (xi)- 2021/1547 Lower Loughor - Area 2
 18 Leucarum Court, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6AB
 Bethan Uzzell-To lop one Sycamore tree covered by TPO 489
 It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.
- (xii)- 2021/1557 Upper Loughor - Area 2
 125 Borough Road, Loughor, Swansea, SA4 6RY
 Miss Jennifer Avery- Two storey rear extension and single storey rear extension
 It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.
- (xiii)- 2021/1610 Kingsbridge - Area 2
 119 Loughor Road, Gorseinon, Swansea, SA4 6RA
 Mr Ceri Hall- Two storey side extension, part two storey/part single storey rear extension, first floor rear balcony with balustrade/screen, front porch and fenestration alterations
 It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no objection.

46. URGENT ITEMS

The Mayor informed Members that it was his understanding that in respect of the Old Church Hall close to St.Michael's Church and Llwhwr Castle that demolition Works had commenced last September but since then the rate of the Works had slowed.The demolition is approximately 75% complete but there is still a lot of rubble on site.Local residents are concerned.It is proposed that the Clerk write to the Church Authorities enquiring as to what action they propose to take to remedy the situation;the Works should have been completed on the 14th May,2021.The Town Council wishes to show its support to the Church Authorities in this matter.

47. 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.

48. FURTHER REPORT OF THE CLERK

(a) Payments

It was **RESOLVED** that the payments referred to in the Report be authorised

(b) Receipts and Payments

The Clerk's Report was **NOTED**

Chair

