

LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL.
CYNGOR DREF LLANBEDR PONT STEFFAN.

Minutes of a full Council meeting held on Thursday 25th April, 2002 at the Town Hall, Lampeter.

PRESENT.

Cll. Mrs Cecilia Barton Mayor.
Cll. Andrew Carter Deputy Mayor.
Cll. Ivor Williams.
Cll. Mrs Dorothy Williams.
Cll. Kistia Ramaya
Cll. John Davies.
Cll. Greg Evans.
Cll. Selwyn Walters.
Cll. Mrs Hazel Davies.
Cll. Mrs. Margaret Davies Evans.
Cll. Robert Harris.
Cll. Robert Phillips.
Cll. Matthew Burns.

APOLOGIES.

None.

Before the commencement of business, members stood for one minutes silence in memory of the late, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

The Minutes of the meetings on 28th March, 2002 were agreed as being accurate after two minor correction in minute 55j. re correct price of mugs and minute 56, addition of Cllr. Barton.

MATTERS ARISING

The Objective 1 and Menter, Llambed. – minute 4c.
Rapid progress being made, with the Foot and Mouth regeneration applications being submitted. Applications made in respect of 6 local events and two further applications being awaited. Funding for a history of the Lampeter Eisteddfod and revised Lampeter Ramblers booklet. Two walks from Lampeter highlighted in a national publication article on Ceredigion Walks, and this leaflet available from local tourist information centres. A town, walk with places of interest marked with plaques and information points being researched. With regard to the main application, no final decision had been reached, but indications that the application would be successful. Full time officer would be appointed. Also a Lampeter Web page on which all organisations, including the

Lampeter Town Council would be included was now up and running. 3 members on the Menter congratulated on their efforts and work. Some concern expressed as to the barring of any future potential members of the Council, if they were members of the Menter Board.

. CCTV. – minute 69e 2000.

Reply from Mark Elliot of the Ceredigion County Council read out, indicating some concern as to the adverse publicity and stating that the system had been completed on time and in working order, apart from periods of high wind, when the signal was distorted. All problems were being ironed out. No monitor proposed for Lampeter, but one will be fitted at the control room at Aberystwyth. System would not be monitored 24 hours a day.

However further information received from the Police and confirmed by MLL the provider of the service, that the system was not operational currently. It was anticipated that it would go live on 29th April. Concerns expressed re payments already made for the system and a new demand also of the Council. Agreed to defer any future payments and attempt to recover money already paid. Request to be made to the Ceredigion County Council that a member of the Town Council be represented at all meetings concerning the system. Cll. Ivor Williams nominated as representative. Also resolved to request Mark Elliot to address the Council meeting on 30th May, 2002.

Highway Matters.

Seating at Harford square – minute 5e.

Cllr. Williams had placed the order with Mr. Page. The iron work was currently being manufactured.

A475 Llanwnnen to Lampeter Road-minute 44b.

Reply received from Ceredigion to the effect that no preliminary had yet being carried out and that the Lampeter Council would be consulted when work commenced. Resolved to recommend a 40 mph speed limit for the road and also to request the red coloured road surface warnings on all approach roads to the town, indicating the approach to a 30 mph speed limit.

Town Hall cleanliness-minute 44c.

Clock had been returned, but still not working. Resolved to make a request that clock be operating before the AGM on 3rd May. Verbal request made 26th April, 2002.

Signs for Lampeter Swimming Pool-minute 44e.

Reply received to the effect that the matter was being considered.

Mayoral Board-minute 42j.

Work now carried out to satisfaction.

CALC meeting 14th Feb, 2002-minute 40g.

Meeting had been cancelled. Cllr. Dorothy Williams hoping to attend revised meeting.

Web Page-minute 28e.

See entry under Menter Llambod. Cll. Phillips congratulated on the considerable amount of work he had carried out in setting up the original site and work on the current site.

Church Gate-minute 40a.

No reply from Church Council as yet. Damage had now been rectified.

Drovers Road, minute 50b and Lion Heads, minute 50d.

Reply received from County Council to the effect that both a new sign and lion heads on order.

Complaint from 13 Maesyfelin – minute 52d.

Reply from County Council to the effect that they had been unable to obtain the extra land to construct a new footpath in Mill Street. Resolved to write to Ceredigion, suggesting that a path be constructed as far as the current boundary fence. It was also noted that the upgrade work on the dwelling would be carried out this Financial Year. Some discomfort would be caused to the tenants during the work.

POLICE MATTERS.

Minute 1/2002

Minute 1a.

Police Sergeant Steve Lee attended the meeting. There was some discussion on the paper on the suggestion of by laws for the banning of drinking alcohol from cans on designated streets, as laid down by the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001. It was agreed that the matter be discussed at the next meeting when the officer would progress the matter further.

Parking in Bridge Street-minute 51b.

This problem had been monitored by the police and suitable action taken. Action to continue.

College Street road works – minute 1b.

The officer outlined consultations that had taken place with the contractors. No waiting in College Street during the work, but spaced allowed for the unloading of goods for retail outlets and businesses. Parking also to be restricted in parts of High Street and alternative route signs placed at suitable locations in an effort to encourage some traffic to use the Llanwnnen Road, if travelling to Llanybyther or Carmarthen direction. Concern expressed in respect of parking near the entrance to the UCW. P.S. Lee agreed to discuss matter with authorities.

Maesyderi Estate – minute 1c.

Extra patrols were now being maintained in the area and some rapport had been established with the residents.

Crime and Disorder Act – minute 1d.

Under this legislation, members of Councils were invited to spend time with police officers on the beat, usually at weekends. Members were invited and it was resolved that the incoming Mayor, Cllr. Carter accept the invitation initially and that other members could take up the offer at a later date.

Bollard at Harford Square – minute 1e.

Costings had now been received in respect of the bollard. The Ceredigion County Council were prepared to pay for installation. P.C. Collom had initially made approaches to two business persons who had agreed to contribute towards the purchase and the former Inspector had agreed to seek funding from a Dyfed Powys fund for the remainder. P.S.Lee agreed to look into the matter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Minute 2/2002.

Hafandeg 40 years Celebration – minute 2a.

Invitation for all members to attend celebrations on Saturday 1st June, 2002 at 2p.m.

Welsh Assembly Regional Meeting – minute 2b.

To be held at Tywyn on Friday 17th May, 2002.

Flags – minute 2c.

Policy for Ceredigion County Council to fly flags at half mast on the death of public figures.

Cymuned Camddwr – minute 2d.

Correspondence from organisation offering any help required.

Directory of Timber Manufacturers – minute 2e.

Directory now available at Clerks Office in respect of Ceredigion.

Daffodils – minute 2f.

Agreement reached with Ceredigion to the effect that all bulbs gathered in the town area would be delivered to Cllr. Dorothy Williams for replanting at Parc Yr Orsedd.

Maesyderi residents – minute 2g.

Newsletter received in respect of the Association. Resolved to write a letter of congratulation. Also resolved to write to Ceredigion County Council requesting better “Children at Play” signs at the playgrounds at Maesyderi and Maesyfelin. Members also to make a list of new signs required in the town area.

Ymlaen Ceredigion. minute 2h.

Agreed to invite a member to address the Council, at their June meeting.

Highway matters – minute 2i.

The fault in the pavement, located near Tony,s hairdressers had been rectified.
Pavement near Sorting Office in Station Terrace had also been repaired.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Minute 3/2002.

Erection of Dwelling at 3 Peterwell Estate, Forest Road. Minute 3a.
No objection but some concerns expressed re the current state of entrance road.

PLANNING PERMISSIONS.

Minute 4/2002.

Extension at Maespwll, Lampeter – minute 4a.

Erection of satellite dish at Coop Store, Lampeter – minute 4b.

FINANCE.

Minute 5/2002.

Review of Sect 137 Payments – minute 5a.

The Clerk had carried out a review of the payments concerned. A total of £6300 00p had been spent on these payments in the last Financial year. It was suggested that the members should retain a degree of flexibility, but a standstill budget had to be maintained. After the deduction of the CAB donation, various organisations had received a total of £4125 00p but 4 requests totalled £2050 and one the Lampeter Eisteddfod had received £1000.

It was agreed that the following formula be adopted as a guide.

National organisations with no local office or workload, £25.

Organisation with either local offices or a proven work record in the town, £50

Events which had town and rural communities support £100.

High profile events, within the town £350.

Lampeter Eisteddfod, £1000.

Expenditure.

Chamber of Trade.minute 5b	£211 88p.
CAB.Ceredigion. minute 5c.	£1800 00p.
Drovers Festival. Minute 5d	£350 00p
Lampeter Carnival. Minute 5e.	£350 00p
Lampeter Eisteddfod. Minute 5f.	£1000 00p.
Lampeter in Bloom.minute g.	£50 00p.
Childline Wales.minute 5h	£25 00p.

<u>Urdd, Lampeter minute 5i</u>	<u>£25. 00p.</u>
<u>Young at Heart minute 5j.</u>	<u>£132 30p.</u>

Jubilee mugs-minute 5k
Order had now been placed.

Parc Yr Orsedd. Minute 5l

Various costing options were discussed, when it was agreed that firm costing were required. Matter to be deferred for a special meeting. It was agreed that urgent work was required to remove the old apparatus and reduce danger to persons using the area. It was agreed to fund materials already ordered for use on site. Matter of new Standing Orders to be discussed at same special meeting with nominated members.

RECEIPTS.

Minute 6/2002.

Precept minute 6a.	£39850 00p.
Footway lighting minute 6b.	£106 05p
VAT reclaim minute 6c.	£762 74p.
Xmas lighting minute 6d.	£216 88p.

Note.

Item 6d, reclaim in respect of costs incurred by Chamber of Trade, except for £5.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Minute 7/2002.

Cleaning of bus shelters minute 7a.

Due to the fact that the current contractors were not cleaning the shelters, it was agreed to contact the Cerdigion County Council to ascertain the current position in regard to central cleaning,

Street Lighting at Llanfair Road, minute 7b.

It was resolved to write to County Council requesting an update.

Lamps at Bridge, Bridge Street minute 7c.

One of these lamps were now broken and in need of repair. It was resolved to write to the County Council requesting that they take over the maintenance. The Chamber of Trade insurance did not cover the cost of repairs.

Sign frame at Rugby Club minute 7d.

The Lampeter Rugby Club were currently investing in a new frame for the adverts signs on their property, due to the fact that the old one was broken. They were seeking financial assistance for the purchase of the new frame. Resolved to deal with matter if and when the Rugby Club make a request in writing.

Priordy Flats minute 7 e.

The repainting was still outstanding. Information from County Council that the work was to be done shortly.

Forest Road, minute 7f.

In view of increased traffic due to new construction of dwellings, it was resolved to write to the County Council requesting that the current 30 mph area be increased and the junction with the main road be improved.

Signed.....

Dated this.....day of.....2002.