

LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL
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Minutes of a full Council meeting held on Thursday 26th May 2005 at the Town Hall, Lampeter.

1. PRESENT

Cllr. Hazel Davies (Mayor)
Cllr. Dorothy Williams (Deputy Mayor)
Cllr. Cecilia Barton
Cllr. John Davies
Cllr. Greg Evans
Cllr. Robert Harris
Cllr. Robert Phillips
Cllr. Christopher Thomas
Cllr. Richard Walsingham
Cllr. Selwyn Walters
Cllr. Derek Wilson

APOLOGIES

Cllr. Andrew Carter
Cllr. Margaret Evans
Cllr. Tarquin Lubran
Cllr. Kistiah Ramaya

Police Inspector Williams

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the 28th April were agreed to be accurate. This was proposed by Cllr. R.Phillips and seconded by Cllr. C.Thomas, apart from one amendment:

Fair Trade Resolution-minute 7e should be read as:

We agree to support the principle of Fair Trade and to the products that carry the "Fair Trade Mark be Fair Trade" products.

3. POLICE MATTERS

Apologies were received from the Inspector. As there were no representatives present no discussions took place.

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

➤ **Fair Trade - minute 45(i)**

Cllr.R.Phillips said that the application for Fair Trading by Lampeter had been successful.

➤ **Wales in Bloom Competition - minute 29c**

An invitation was received for the Mayor to attend an Awards' Evening at the Black Lion Hotel, Lampeter on the 15th of August.

Cllr. Mayor Hazel Davies reported that the weeds had been sprayed. Cllr. H.Harris stated that certain environmentalists had expressed concern that the weedkiller which has been used could be toxic and a potential threat to the health of children, animals and to the environment. He believed that the County Council had used an approved substance.

It was decided to contact the Parks and Gardens Officer, Ceredigion County Council to ask for more details of the spray.

Regarding the removal of graffiti on the wall of the Spar shop, Cllr. Mayor Davies said that she was awaiting a reply from the manager.

➤ **Mart Site - minute 14(f)**

The WDA and the County Council remain in discussion about the site. Cllr. C.Barton suggested that part of the site could be used for a skatepark. It was decided to approach the County Council to see if it would be feasible.

➤ **Recycling - minute 73(b)**

Cllr. H.Harris told the council that members of a Ceredigion Recycling Association (CRA) had personally threatened certain individual councillors with legal action, following Ceredigion's decision to pull out of a waste recycling scheme, saying pilot schemes had shown it to be too expensive. But the CRA have since commented that they are no longer looking at legal avenues.

Presently the County Council and TrecS (Total Recovery Systems Ltd) collect waste. Concerns were raised that ratepayers would be footing the

bill for the two recycling collections in the town. It was decided to invite all parties to attend the next meeting.

➤ **Bus Services -Timetables - minute 78(b)**

Cllr. Mayor H.Davies said that timetables with special frames would be installed within the next couple of weeks.

➤ **Sewage Treatment Works - minute 84(d)**

A communication was received from Mr Rob Wilson, Operations Manager, Kelda Water Services stating that the 15th or 17th June were convenient dates for a site meeting. The 17th of June was accepted.

➤ **Bequest £10,000 - minute 5(o)**

Cllr. G.Evans suggested that a part of the money should be spent on the youth of the town. Cllr. Mayor H.Davies said that the whole of the town should benefit. It was decided to ask the public for their ideas on how to spend the money.

The Council agreed to transfer the £10,000 into a separate bank account until later.

➤ **Black Lion, Lampeter - minute 76(a)**

A letter was received from Mr Gareth Johns, Estates & Acquisitions Manager *S.A.Brain & Company Limited*, stating that their building surveyor would shortly be visiting the Black Lion site to ascertain the condition of the cobbles within the curtilage of the Black Lion. If they prove to be dangerous the appropriate action to remedy the situation would be taken.

The letter also mentioned that the shop at the Black Lion had been retained by *Principality Developments* and was not under their control.

It was decided to contact them to learn of the outcome of the report undertaken by the building surveyor. It would also be conveyed that it was imperative for the cobbles to be replaced satisfactorily.

➤ **Planting Excess Bulbs, Parc yr Orsedd - Minute 77g**

Cllr. D.Williams invited any interested parties to join her in the planting of the daffodil bulbs at Parc yr Orsedd on Saturday 28th May at 2pm.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Minute 8/2005

8a) Barley Mow: Signing

A letter was received from Ceredigion County Council asking for further details of the type of sign requested. A street nameplate sign, leading to Barley Mow was favoured rather than a black on white direction sign.

8b) St Peter's Church Hall: Parking Bay

A letter was received from Canon Aled Williams requesting a parking bay adjacent to St Peter's Church Hall, Lampeter. It was decided to forward the letter to Ceredigion County Council, with the full support of the Town Council.

8c) Archives Request

A request for very early copies of Ceredigion County Council's meetings e.g. 1995, 1996 was received from the County Archivist. This request was considered by the Town Council.

6. MENTER LLAMBED

Minute 9/2005

Cllr.S.Walters mentioned that they would be interviewing a new project officer the following week.

He told the council that representatives from Lampeter were to meet with Cwmann Community Council to discuss possible ways of improving Bridge Street.

Cllr. H.Harris said that Bridge Street seemed to have been overlooked after the development of High Street and other areas of the town. The road from Cwmann over the bridge to Lampeter needs repair and improvement is required as far as Harford Square.

Cllr.S.Walters mentioned that a Business Club meeting had been arranged in *Tŷ Nant* on the 28th June at 6pm.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Minute 10/2005

Planning Permissions

- 10a) Formation of access and car park, Lampeter Show Field
- 10b) Alterations and extensions (revised drawings to include provision of sliding door on first floor level), 6 Bridge Street, Lampeter.
- 10c) Erection of Community Primary School, Lampeter Show Field, Lampeter.

WITHDRAWN

- 10d) Erection of 2 dwellings, Greenfield terrace, Barley Mow, Lampeter

Planning Applications

- 10e) Erection of house, Pt OS9524, Lampeter - no objection
- 10f) Erection of conservatory and extension of curtilage, Glan-yr-afon, Pentrebach - no objection
- 10g) Retention of new store rooms to rear - Beehive 42/43 High St, Lampeter. An invitation was extended to a member of the Town Council to observe a site visit undertaken by the "Site and Inspection Panel" on the 23rd May. This information failed to meet the present Town Clerk but a letter of apology would be sent to Ceredigion County Council.

8. FINANCE

Minute 11/2005

Lampeter Food Festival

Correspondence was received from Mrs Chris Pearce, which stated that the Food Festival would be held under its new Co-operative status this year. Cllr. H.Harris suggested that a sum of £350 should be awarded to the cause. The organisers' offer to become a member of the Co-operative at a cost of £1/annum was accepted. Cllr. D.Williams was appointed as the council's representative and to attend meetings of the Festival.

Admin.	£
11a) Hire of room at Town Hall	48.00
11b) Hire of Victoria Hall 11/03/05	27.00
11c) SWALEC	11.06

Donations

11d) Lampeter in Bloom	50.00
11e) Lampeter Food Festival	351.00
11f) D.A.S.H. (Disabilities and Self Help)	50.00

9. SUB-COMMITTEES

Minute 12/2005

12a) Pavements Sub-Committee

A "Pavement Sub-Committee Report" was undertaken by Cllrs. R. Phillips and C. Thomas on the 24th May. This was submitted and hazards in Station Terrace, North Road, Mill Street, Maesyfelin and Bryn Road were noted. It was agreed to send a copy to the Highways, Property and Works Dept, County Hall, Aberaeron.

12b) Footpath Sub-Committee

This Sub-Committee will arrange a meeting to consider costings.

The bid for funding under the Community Path Scheme 2005/06 has been successful. Claims for completed works should be submitted by 30th September 2005. Cllr. Barton reported that some of this money would be spent on clearing footpaths twice annually. (January & September).

10. A.O.B.

Minute 13/2005

13a) Closure of Council managed car park adjacent to the Station, Carmarthen

The new developments near the train station at Carmarthen were discussed - the Council managed car park adjacent to the station has been closed to the public since the beginning of May to accommodate the work required in

developing a major project to create a dedicated pedestrian and cycle link between Carmarthen Railway Station, the bus station and the town centre.

It was decided to contact Arriva Trains Wales, Strategic Rail Authority, Rail Passengers Council, The National Assembly for Wales and Carmarthenshire County Council stating that this development deplores the inconvenience caused to many travellers in the vicinity.

13b) Sleeping Policemen, Maesyfelin Rd, Lampeter

It was resolved to contact Rachel Thomas, Highways, Property & Works Dept, Ceredigion County Council to arrange a meeting with a small delegation of the Town Council to discuss the proposed Sleeping Policemen at the site, in a bid to inhibit racers.

13c) Vice Chairman, Ceredigion County Council

The Council heard of Cllr. Ivor Williams' new status within Ceredigion County Council. Lampeter Town Council will send him a letter of congratulations on becoming vice-chairman of the Ceredigion County Council.

13d) Mr Idris Williams - Presentation

Mr Williams will be invited to the next meeting for the presentation of the shield and for the taking of photographs, in appreciation of his services to this Council.

A Special Dinner will also be arranged. Certain venues were suggested. The Cllr. Mayor Davies will find out venues, dates and prices. The proposed date is Saturday 9th July.

13e) Congratulations!

Congratulations were extended to the Cllr. Mayor's mother who celebrated her 90th birthday today, the 26th May 2005. She has seen many changes since the First World War and may she have the strength for the next decade.

Signed.....

Dated the.....day of.....2005