



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
MAESYDERI FIELD MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
27th OCTOBER 2009 AT 7.00PM
AT THE MENTER LLAMBED OFFICE LAMPETER

PRESENT

LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL

Cllr Mayor Selwyn Walters (Chairperson)
Cllr Rob Phillips (Deputy-Chairperson)
Cllrs Cecilia Barton; Chris Thomas; Derek Wilson

MYDTARA ORGANISATION

Sue Davies, Maesyderi, Lampeter
Lizzie James Gwêl-y-Creuddyn

IN ATTENDANCE

Eleri Thomas – Clerk Lampeter Town Council

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

The Mayor Selwyn Walters extended a warm welcome to all present.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillor Robert (Hag) Harris, County Cllr Ivor Williams, from the Lampeter Football and Rugby Clubs' representative Cllr Greg Evans and MYDTARA representative Carol Davies.

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE 22TH SEPTEMBER

These were agreed to be correct and were signed by the Chair.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1 GRASS CUTTING

It was reported that Mr Mike Brown, Caerfoel, Cribyn had cut the grass on 4 occasions (4th cut undertaken on the 27th October) since mid-September. The contract had included 6 cuts before the end of November. It had been decided between meetings to ask Mr Brown to defer the last two cuts until the following year, as it was felt that the grass would not grow a great deal during the remainder of the year.

Mr Brown had agreed to this arrangement.

5.2 GRASS-CUTTING OF THE VERGE - ON THE ROAD LEADING TO THE MAESYDERI ESTATE

Eleri Thomas had contacted the Ceredigion County Council earlier that day to remind them of this matter. ***Awaiting a reply***

5.3 HEDGE CUTTING

Cllr Chris Thomas agreed to cut and lay the hedge.

5.4 THE FENCE

This will be repaired in the near future. Cllr Ivor Williams had stated in a previous meeting, that he would contact Mr Spencer DeFriend from the CCC to ask if it was feasible for the county council to repair the fence- ***awaiting a reply from Cllr Williams.***

5.5 LITTER BINS

Cllr Phillips had made enquiries with the CCC in relation to the servicing of the bins – ***awaiting a reply.*** The acquisition of litter bins will feature in the future.

5.6 SIGNAGE

No Cllr Wilson and Cllr Thomas had installed the new sign declaring *No Dogs, Litter, No Unauthorised Access* on two occasions. Members were disappointed to hear that the sign had been twice removed by members of the public. ***The Mayor stated that he would report the matter as vandalism to the Police at the meeting of the town council scheduled for the 29th October.*** In the interest of the health of the residents of the town it was felt that dogs should be prohibited from using the field, in any capacity. ***Cllrs Wilson and Cllr Thomas agreed to install the sign for the third time,*** this time it would be secured onto the fence. ***The police will be asked to survey the field on a regular basis. Cllr Thomas reported that he was awaiting the signs appertaining to dog-fouling, from the Police.***

5.7 GATES

The new gate has been re-laid by Cllrs Wilson and Thomas. ***It was resolved to bolt the two large gates.***

5.9 SUGGESTIONS FOR THE FUTURE USE OF THE FIELD

Lizzie James had compiled and distributed approximately 400 leaflets to residents of the town. The leaflets comprised a questionnaire asking residents for their ideas in relation to the future use for the field –climbing frames, a running track and a skate-park had been popular choices.

Some members had visited the Newcastle-Emlyn play area and Cllr Barton had inspected the skate-park at Drefach-Velindre, which is run by a voluntary body.

It was reported that the park will be developed as a place for teenagers to hang-out, as there were available play-areas for younger children in the town.

Sue Davies reported that a resident of Maesyderi would be prepared to build a willow structure on the field, free of charge. Other ideas had included “organized” graffiti.

It was resolved that a map/plan should be designed for the future use of the field.

Decisions to be made:

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1. What would appear in the field – ***it would be necessary to liaise the children of the Maesyderi Estate to ask for their input and create a sense of ownership.***
 2. ***The costings would have to be calculated.*** The Mayor conveyed that to date, the Town Council had paid the costs, without

incorporating
by fund-raising;
CAVO); the
accommodate the
the town council's

a special budget for the Field. Money could be raised
grants (Lizzie James will discuss with Teleri Davies
possibility of increasing the town council's precept to
extra expenditure; using some of the money held in
reserves.

5.10 PROGRESS REPORT TO THE PRESS

It was resolved that Eleri Thomas would submit a progress report to the press (Cambrian News / Carmarthen Journal / Clonc) under the section "Village News" to raise public awareness and to seek volunteers to help in the development of the field.

5.11 MOUND OF EARTH ON THE FIELD

Sue Davies agreed to liaise with a resident of Maesyderi to ask if it was possible for him to displace the mound of soil, to the back of the field using a JCB. Future use could be made of the soil eg in the creation of a dirt-track.

5.12 BENCHES FOR THE FIELD

Cllr Chris Thomas had relocated two Parc-yr-Orsedd redundant benches to the Maesyderi Field. ***He is also in the process of repairing a previous Parc-yr-Orsedd bench at his home, which will then be transported to the Maesyderi Field.***

5.13 MOLEHILLS: are a problem on the field.

6. FINANCE

EXPENDITURE:

ITEM	PRICE EX VAT £	VAT £	TOTAL £
GATE	365.00	54.75	419.75
NEW SIGN	109.00	16.35	125.35
GRASS CUTTING 6 CUTS			800.00
Printing 400 leaflets			36.00
RUNNING TOTAL TO DATE			£1,381.10

As there were no other matters the meeting ended at 8.20pm.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 24th November at 7.00pm at the Menter Llambod Office.

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