

Minutes of a full Council meeting held on Thursday 4th March, 2004 at the Town Hall, Lampeter.

PRESENT.

Cll. Robert Harris, Mayor, Cll. Dorothy Williams, Cll. Greg Evans, Cll. Ivor Williams, Cll. Andrew Carter, Cll. Hazel Davies, Cll. John Davies, Cll. Mrs. Margaret Davies Evans, Cll. Robert Phillips.

APOLOGIES.

Cll. Kistiah Ramaya, Cll. Selwyn Walters, Cll. Cecilia Barton.

Before the commencement of the meeting the Mayor, Cllr. Harris explained that the meeting scheduled for the 26th February, 2004 had been cancelled due to adverse weather and re arranged for this night. Public notices had been issued to this effect.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

The Minutes of the meetings on 29th January, 2004 were agreed as being accurate.

MATTERS ARISING

Highway matters-minutes – 12b, 48c. No further progress from Ceredigion re this matter, resolved to write a strong letter to the Director of Highways requesting prompt action.

Footpaths-minute 40f.

Application forms have now been submitted in respect of the bridle way at Mount Pleasant. Result of applications to be forwarded by Ceredigion County Council.

Drovers Festival-minute 43g.

No progress regarding balance sheet but it was now understood that no Festival would be held in respect of 2004. It was hoped to review the matter in future years.

Bus time Tables-minute-43i.

No response received from County Council apart from acknowledgement. It was agreed to write to the Council again requesting a reply. It was also agreed that a request be made that an end date be placed on new time tables issued to avoid confusion by users.

Misuse of Public Seats-minute 48a.

A further complaint had been received from the Library Service in respect of young persons intimidating library users. Resolved following discussions that the County Council be requested to move the bench concerned onto the flower

beds between the Library and Somerfield Store. Bench to be secured by bolts. W.I. who had purchased the seat in the first instance to be informed of the request.

Sewage Works Odour-minute 48b.

It had been agreed that a meeting be held after the conclusion of the work presently being undertaken, when an accurate assessment could be made. Concern re state of sewers in High Street. Members felt that if any remedial work needed to be carried out in this area, it should be done at the same time as the current work. Welsh Water to be contacted re the current position.

CCTV costs-minute 49a

Document received from Mark Elliot outlining the 3 courses of action appropriate. Cllr. Phillips nominated to research this matter with Mark Elliot and report back to Council.

Recycling-minute 48f.

New scheme has still not been commenced, when coming on stream the members would be invited to a presentation. Not appropriate for an address by members of the County Council at this stage.

Dyfed Powys Rate increase-minute 49g.

Letter of acknowledgement from the Authority, but the new rate had been set at 14.9%

Old Technology Block-minute 55e.

Letter from County Council confirming awareness of the interest of Lampeter Family Centre, but stating that the building was to be used for internal purposes by the County Council. Resolved to write to the County Council requesting that if the building was not used by Social Services Department, consideration be given to use by organisations like the Family Centre and a Youth Club. Concern also to be expressed re the current state of the building which was an eyesore and in a dire need for improvement.

Kalix Trip-minute 58e.

No response from the High School.

Refuse bin at Maesyderi-minute 60a.

New bins to be provided and residents had agreed to empty them

Pavement defect Mountwalk-minute 60c.

Defect had been remedied.

Street lighting defects and Tree roots-minutes 60c and 60d.

No reply from County Council.

Mayor/Deputy Mayor for 2004/05-minutes 61a.

Both persons had accepted the posts subject to re election. Date of A.G. M. agreed as 18th June, 2004.

POLICE MATTERS.

Minute 62/2003

No police officer present, apology received.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Minute 63/2003.

Request for placement of seat-minute 63a.

Request from a Mr.& Mrs. Kakitsuka in respect of them purchasing a bench for placement at Pentrebach. Resolved to accept offer and forward the request to the County Council for approval and consultation with the persons concerned. Persons leaving the U.K. for Japan in 5 weeks.

Fair Trade Town-minute 63b.

Request from Chamber of Trade to agree resolution for Lampeter to have a Fair Trade status. Members to be addressed at the next meeting re this matter and to discuss further there after. Chamber of Trade to be informed.

Royal Garden party-minute 63c.

Cllr. Ramaya nominated by members, NALC to be informed.

One Voice Wales-minute 63d.

Resolved that the Council apply for membership, Cllr Dorothy Williams nominated as representative in respect of Council.

Dog Warden Scheme-minute 63e.

Resolved not to participate.

Police Campaign-minute 63f.

Result of Police Campaign re young driver using vehicles at high speeds at Lampeter forwarded by Insp. Samuel. 66 vehicles stopped, 7 reported, 26 verbal warnings. Police to be sent a letter of congratulation.

Library Seat-minute 63g.

Letter of complaint from Library service re use of this seat. Matter dealt with under Matters Arising 48a.

Letter from Hywel Williams M.P.-minute 63h.

Letter from Hywel Williams M.P. requesting support for a campaign against the proposal of the Chancellor of Exchequer to allow tax benefits in regard to buildings purchased as part of a pension plans. Matter also supported by Simon

Thomas the local M.P. Resolved to support campaign and forward letter to the Chancellor of Exchequer.

Town Hall-minute 63i.

Correspondence from County Council listing the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act as from October, 2004. It was apparent the Town Hall would not qualify as a meeting place in its present form. Resolved to write to the County Council requesting information as to what plans they had to bring the building up to scratch.

Letter Simon Thomas M.P.-minute 63j.

Letter from Simon Thomas M.P. requesting support for his campaign to keep open Post offices. Resolved to support the campaign.

CALC Meeting-minute 63k.

Meeting now to be held on 18th March, 2004. No present member able to attend. Offer to be made to Deputy Mayor, (Since this date notification has been received that this is a date of a Police Consultative Committee for which Cllr. Ramaya is a nominated member)

PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Minute 64/2003.

Loading Bay at College Street, Lampeter-minute 64a.

No objection but suggestion that the views of out coming vehicles from UCW not to be obstructed.

Shed construction Old SWEB site, Llanfair Road, Lampeter-minute 64b

No objection.

Change of use to workshop, Beudy Bach, Lampeter-minute 64c.

No objection.

Erection of 27 dwellings at Bryn Steffan-minute 64d.

No objection provided proposed footpath is completed before construction begins.

Erection of 44 dwellings, Bryn Steffan-minute 64e.

No objection provided the proposed footpath is completed before construction begins.

Erection of dwelling at Pennant, Falcondale Drive-minute 64f.

No objection.

Change of use part of Black Lion Hotel to retail-minute 64g

Objection to be made on the grounds that the change will damage the integrity of this old coaching Inn.

PLANNING PERMISSIONS.

Minute 65/2003.

Alterations 6 Bridge Street, Lampeter-minute 64a.
Relocation ATM machine Coop Stores-minute 65b.
Extension at Castell, Lampeter-minute 65c.
Erection of 6 dwellings at old Post Office Yard-minute 65d.

FINANCE.

Minute 66/2003.

Lampeter Music Club-minute 66a.	£100 00p.
CPRW membership-minute 66b.	£15 00p.

Donation requests received but not supported-minute 66c.
Relate. Ian Rush Tournament.
Llangollen Eisteddfod.

MENTER LLAMBED.

Minute 67/2003.

No matters to report at this time.

A.O.B.

Minute 68/2003.

Farmers Market-minute 68a.

Meeting at Aberaeron on 8th March, 2004. Cllr Dorothy Williams nominated to attend.

Street Lighting in Bryn Road-minute 68b.

The Street lights in this area are very poor. County Council to be requested to update these lights as a matter of priority due to the use by local schoolchildren at the nearby school and the heavy traffic flow to the Somerfield Supermarket, which made it extremely dangerous to pedestrians at this time.

Defective Street Lights-minute 68c.

Defective street light in Barley Mow. Matter to be referred to the County Council.

Petition re Abbotoir at Cwmann-minute 68d

This petition had been sent in error to the Mayor. Document to be returned to the appropriate authority.