

LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL.
CYNGOR DREF LLANBEDR PONT STEFFAN.

Minutes of a full Council meeting held on Thursday 29th January, 2004 at the Town Hall, Lampeter.

PRESENT.

Cll. Robert Harris, Mayor.
Cll. Kistiah Ramaya.
Cll. Greg Evans.
Cll. Selwyn Walters.
Cll. Cecilia Barton.
Cll. Ivor Williams.
Cll. Andrew Carter.
Cll. Hazel Davies.
Cll. John Davies.
Cll. Mrs. Margaret Davies Evans.
Cll. Robert Phillips.

APOLOGIES.

Cll. Dorothy Williams

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

The Minutes of the meetings on 27th November, 2003 and 22nd January, 2004 were agreed as being accurate.

MATTERS ARISING

Highway matters-minutes – 12b, 48c.

Reply from Ceredigion County Council re query in regard to parking on the Cwmmins.

Delay due to the fact that the person dealing was on sick leave.

All street lighting defects were being attended to by Ceredigion County Council.

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Footpaths-minute 40f.

Application forms have now been submitted. Some more work need on the bridle way at Mount Pleasant and a meeting to be held on 31.1.04. with Cllr. I. Williams, Menter Llambled and County Council.

Drovers Festival-minute 43g.

It was agreed that due to the lack of a balance sheet, the grant payment approved could not be paid. 3 requests made for this document. Committee to be informed of position and unless document provided in a short period, suggested 7/14 days offer withdrawn.

Committee to be informed that they should apply if necessary for a grant in the following financial year together with balance sheet for this year.

Bus time Tables-minute 43i.

No response received from County Council apart from acknowledgement.

Misuse of Public Seats-minute 48a.

Letter from Police outlining their actions, two juveniles spoken too and one male person arrested and charged. Monitoring ongoing.

Sewage Works Odour-minute 48b.

Meeting had been held, The current work being undertaken should be completed in April, 2004, costing £150 000. Altogether a total of £700 000 was being spent on the plant Operators confident of eliminating any odours. However, some concern re possible odours from the main sewer system. Which was being explored. The use of the site by unauthorised lorries to be monitored and any sighting to be reported to the Authority. Matter to be kept under review.

CCTV costs-minute 49a

Mark Elliot had requested the e mail addresses of the members nominated to attend a meeting with him to discuss matter.

Recycling-minute 48f.

Details of new recycling scheme forwarded by County Council. Personnel from County Council to be invited to attend next meeting and address the members.

Dyfed Powys Rate increase-minute 49g.

Reply from Simon Thomas M.P. informing Council that he would be making representations to Parliament re the support given and the high rise in proposed rate. Agreed to write to Police Authority, stating concern re high rise, bearing in mid the rate rise set by Ceredigion County Council and the Lampeter Town Council. Also expressing concern re where the extra revenue would be spent. Mmembers were concerned re lack of police patrols and that the extra revenue would be used on administrative uses.

POLICE MATTERS.

Minute 54/2003

No police officer present, apology received.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Minute 55/2003.

Electoral Arrangements-minute 55a.

Letter from County Council to the effect that henceforth, Lampeter would be one Ward and with 15 members, (One extra member).

B & Q awards-minute 55b.

Details available to members or members of suitable organisations.

Ceredion YFC-minute 55c.

Request that Council write a letter of support re the televising of the YFC Eisteddfod on S4C. Agreement to request.

Broadband-minute 55d.

Request from Ceredigion County Council for support re application for Objective One funding for affordable Broadband. Agreement to support venture.

Old Tecnology Block-minute 55e. Correspondence from Family Centre for support re a request for use of part of Old technology Block at Lampeter for their use. Agreement that Ceredigion County Council be made aware of the request and that the Council would support the re use of this redundant building for such organisations, if appropriate.

Road Signs-minute 55f.

Correspondence from Menter Llambed re the poor condition of the road signs in the area. Matter had already been taken up with the County Council, but copy of this correspondence forwarded to the County Council.

CALC-minute 55g.

Last meeting to be held at Aberaeron on 26.02.04. Meeting clashed with Council meeting.

Local Channel-minute 55h.

Correspondence received re this project, which was thought not to be of benefit to Lampeter at this time

Road Closure-minute 55i.

The A485 at Bettws Bledrws would be closed on 8/2/04/from 8a,m to 6p.m.

The Lampeter High Street would be closed between 8a.m.on Monday 9.2.04.until 6p.m. Sunday 29.2.04. Diversion signs would be operated.

Future roles of Councils-minute 55j.

Cllr. Barton addressed the members with regard to a seminar that she had attended. A copy of the survey had been issued to every member. Agreed that one of the submissions to be made was that members attending on Council business during their working time, should be paid broken time payments. Cllr. Barton compiling a submission.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Minute 56/2003.

Extension at Castell Farm-minute 56a.

No objection to be offered.

PLANNING PERMISSIONS.

Minute 57/2003.

Change of use to Office, rear of Werndriw-minute 57a.

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FINANCE.

Minute 58/2003.

Ceredigion CC re halls-minute 58a.	£12 00p
Postage/Misc.-minute 58b.	£39 54p.
Clerks Salary-minute 58c.	£729 66p.
Nat. Eisteddofd-minute 58d.	£50 00p.

Request from High School re Kalix trip-minute 58e.

Due to the fact that the request was from the School direct the request did not comply with District Audit rules and could not be supported. Requests can only be granted to PTA. School to be informed of the rules.

Donation requests received but not supported-minute 58f.

Marie Cure Cancer care. Harmon school, Pembs.

M.S. Therapy Centre

Menter Llambod.

Minute 59/2003.

Cllr. Walters outlined the following projects which were currently being under taken by Menter.

Work on local footpaths and cycle ways, including the bridle way at Mount Pleasant.

The work on the Town Brochure was well advanced and would have a Council page

Work on the heritage Trail and the signs to be used would be available for inspection soon.

Funding obtained for a feasibility study re Rural Welsh Way of Life project.

Future of Town Hall. Menter had written to the County Council in order to progress matter. They were suggesting a feasibility study in respect of its future use. The Web site was on going, it was agreed that the Council minutes should remain on site for 2 years and then moved to a storage area on the site. Broadband interest was also being pursued.

A.O.B.

Minute 60/2003.

Refuse bins-minute 60a.

No refuse bins located at the Maesyderi childrens play area. County Council to be informed.

Street lighting-minute 60b.

Defective street lights in Bridge Street, near Hafan Deg and College Street. Matter to be referred to County Council.

Pavements defect-minute 60c.

Defective pavement near the flats at Mountwalk. County Council to be informed.

Tree roots-minute 60d.

The roots of trees growing on the side walk outside the High School were protruding through the surface. Remedial work, but no removal of trees to be requested.

Farmers Market-minute 69e.

Concern re the dates and location of the event. Matter to be reviewed at next meeting.

Signed.....

Dated the.....day of.....2004.