



*Before the onset of the meeting members were invited to participate in prayer.  
Deputy-Mayor Cllr Ann Morgan led members in prayer.  
The Christian prayer had been adapted by Prof. Densil Morgan and it was  
**RESOLVED** to accept the new format.*

**LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING  
26.04.2018 VICTORIA HALL, LAMPETER AT 7.30pm.**

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND PERSONAL MATTERS**

The Mayor Cllr Hag Harris welcomed all present to the new meeting room at the Victoria Hall, Lampeter.

**2. PRESENT**

Mayor Cllr R. G. (Hag Harris); Deputy-Mayor Cllr Ann Morgan; Cllrs Rhys Bebb-Jones; Cllr Elin T Jones; Cllr Dinah Mulholland; Cllr Robert Phillips; David Smith; Cllr Selwyn Walters & Cllr Christopher Thomas.

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Kistiah Ramaya & Sgt. Richard Marshall apologized for their inability to attend the Meeting.

**3. POLICE MATTERS**

**No Report.**

**4. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTEREST**

**None declared.**

**5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
29th March 2018**

It was **PROPOSED** (Cllr. Robert Phillips); **SECONDED** (Cllr Ann Bowen Morgan) and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 were a correct record apart from the following amendment:

**Minute Ref. 5.2**

**"5.2.2** To observe the prayers of different faiths in rotation eg. Christianity; Judaism; Islam; Hinduism; Buddhism etc. "

***The Humanist alternative should also be included within the list.***

They were signed as a correct record by the Chairman. (with the amendment)

## 6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 6.1 Mayor's Installation Ceremony 4.05.2018:** Old Hall, UWTSD Lampeter: *Arrangements ongoing and the Agenda circulated.*
- 6.2 Maes-y-Felin Play Area:** The draft Lease had been forwarded to the ADVE Solicitors for legal advice. The area of land had been ascertained and a fee of £159.60 paid for the initial searches. Communication from Mr Aled Lewis, Solicitor stated that he had received an email from Mrs Yvonne Davies, Hugh James Solicitors, stating that she is awaiting instructions from the Housing Association, *Tai Ceredigion.*
- 6.3 Safe to hold Civic Regalia:** purchased via Compass Stationery. **RESOLVED:** To contact Anne Milcoy, UWTSD to establish where the safe should be positioned.
- 6.4 Fountain Harford Square:** Lampeter: *Restorative work re the animal heads will be undertaken shortly.*  
**Following the site meeting of the 16.11.2017 between Mr Eirian Jones CCC and the Mayor and Deputy-Mayor to discuss the Fountain and the whole Square, a 99 Year Lease was suggested, where the Town Council would take responsibility for the Fountain and the paved area. The Town Council had agreed in principle to the takeover, subject to conditions and explanation concerning certain matters:**
1. *That the pump was repaired and operational;*
  2. *Ceredigion CC to clean/weed the area before hand;*
  3. *An arrangement adopted in relation to the Servicing of the bins and sweeping of the area;*
  4. *A breakdown of existing costs provided;*
  5. *Insurance obligations explained;*
  6. *As the area remains the property of CCC under the 99 Year Lease, could the Town Council employ its own contractors to undertake improvements/maintenance or would it be bound by Ceredigion CC regulations?*
- A reply from Mr Eirian Jones, Building Maintenance Manager, CCC on the 25.04.18 stated that the staff member assigned to the issue had been sick, but the staffing issue had now been resolved and this matter should receive attention shortly.*
- 6.5 Plastic-Free Initiative:** Three successful Litter Collections had been undertaken within the town. The Co-op car-park had not been included. Ysgol Bro Pedr will participate within the next Litter Collection event. The help of organisations such as *Keep Wales Tidy* could also be enlisted in the future. It is the intention of the Town Council to contact Tidy Towns' Initiative in the near future.
- 6.6 Rotary:** Three Cherry Blossom Trees will be planted by the Rotary within Parc-yr-Orsedd, during the Autumn. **RESOLVED:** Cllrs Rhys Bebb Jones and Cllr Kistiah Ramaya to co-ordinate this activity.
- 6.7 Five Town Councillor Vacancies: Lampeter Town Council:** It is hoped that 10 electors within Lampeter will request an Election by informing Ceredigion CC by the 2.05.2018.
- 6.8 Christmas Lights:** it was **RESOLVED** to purchase *Nadolig Llawen* signs x2 and Merry Christmas x1 and to inform the Lampeter Chamber of Trade.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 Hywel Dda University Health Board: “Our big NHS Change”-** Consultation on healthcare services in the Hywel Dda University Health Board: Town and Community Councils’ Event in Ceredigion -Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 6.30pm at Felinfach Memorial Hall, Felinfach.  
**RESOLVED: Cllr Christopher Thomas will represent the Town Council at this meeting.** Mayor Cllr Hag Harris and Cllr Chris. Thomas had been nominated to represent Lampeter Town Council within meetings of the Lampeter Health Care Project, last July but no information had been forthcoming. It was **RESOLVED** to request an explanation from Mr Peter Skitt, Hywel Dda County Director for Ceredigion.
- 7.2 Lampeter Food Festival:** will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018. 70-80 Stalls are expected.
- 7.3 Motions for One Voice Wales’ 2018 Annual General Meeting:** Member Councils are invited to propose a maximum of two motions for debate at the AGM on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Motions to be submitted no later than noon, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018.
- 7.4 Request from a volunteer with Voluntary Overseas Organization** to use Parc-yr-Orsedd. It was **RESOLVED** to grant permission and request that all litter be collected.
- 7.5 Other Correspondence: Noted for information.**

## 8. PLANNING MATTERS

- 8.1 Development Control Committee Ceredigion County Council:** Minutes of last meeting and Agenda of the next meeting: for information.
- 8.2 Planning Application A171092:** Ffynnonber Primary School: Proposal: Demolition of School buildings and erection of 20 affordable residential dwellings with associated parking, landscaping and ancillary works. The site would be developed and managed by Tai Wales & West Housing. The Application had been discussed at the Development Control Committee, Ceredigion County Council, of Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018 following the Site Meeting of the 29.03.2018; residents of Bryn Road, Lampeter won their fight to block a bid by Tai Wales & West Housing Association to convert Ffynnonbedr School into flats when the Planning Application was dismissed by Ceredigion County Council planners.

**Wales & West Housing Association:** It was **RESOLVED** to invite a senior representative of Wales & West Housing Association to a future meeting of the Town Council, to discuss matters of mutual interest. Wales & West’s Policy for Lampeter will feature as an Agenda item to include measures in place, to address anti-social behaviour. The role of the Welsh Government and Ceredigion County Council will also be considered.

**RESOLVED:** some Town Councillors to seek information from tenants in relation to concerns & Cllrs only to raise questions during the W&W

Meeting. Questions will be asked in relation to the Waiting List re housing allocation and how individuals were prioritised for Lampeter.

**RESOLVED:** to ask CCC for a copy of the form outlining the criteria in use when deciding, which people occupy their properties.

**8.3 Planning Application A180262.** Applicant: Mrs Hilary Davies. Location: St Thomas Methodist Church, St Thomas Street, Lampeter. **Proposal:** Replacement of existing exterior doors to the front elevation with brown UPVC. **Town Council's Comments: No Objections.**

**8.4 Place-Plans:** Welsh Government: It was **RESOLVED** to arrange an initial meeting and to invite the following stakeholders- Chamber of Trade, University of Wales Trinity Saint David, Ysgol Bro Pedr & Transition Town. The incoming Mayor would assume the role of Chair. *Awaiting responses.*

## 9. FINANCE

### 9.1 PAYMENTS

- 9.1.1 **Clerk's Salary March 2018 £792.44;** HMRC Tax & NI £96.07.
- 9.1.2 **Mr Eirwyn Williams:** Cutting hedge at Parc-yr-Orsedd £185.00.
- 9.1.3 **Pop; Crisps;** Disco Ysgol Bro Pedr: 29.03.18 £63.30.
- 9.1.4 **Simultaneous Translation:** Mrs C Thomas £148.75.
- 9.1.5 **Preparing Flower Beds CCC:** £3,565.62.
- 9.1.6 **Programmes:** Mayor's Installation: £ 27.72.
- 9.1.7 **Dyfed Gardening Services:** Parc-yr-Orsedd £97.32.
- 9.1.8 **Postage** £37.91.
- 9.1.9 **Heat/ Light/Storage** x 3 months £60.
- 9.1.10 **Compass Stationery:** Safe £1,380 (inc VAT).
- 9.1.11 **Mayor's Allowance:** Cllr A. B. Morgan £1,500.
- 9.1.12 **Cambrian News** Job Advert: £439.19.

### 9.2 RECEIPTS: £0

### 9.3 FINANCIAL REQUESTS

- 9.3.1 **Bobath Children's Therapy:** £50.
- 9.3.2 **Eisteddfod Gŵyl y Banc:** £1,000.

## 10. SUB-COMMITTEES

Cllr Bebb-Jones proposed that a Chair and Secretary be appointed for each sub-committee. It was **RESOLVED** to meet at 7pm, prior to the monthly meeting of the 31.05.2018 to appoint these officials.

**10.1 Maesyderi Field;** Tenders were sought for the cutting of the grass at Maesyderi Field (April-Sept inclusive- one cut per month). Closing Date: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – 12 Noon.  
**No decision** was reached regarding the above tender, during the last meeting.  
Mr Dai Williams, Dolau-Gwyrddion, Lampeter, has since been awarded the contract to provide one cut per month @ £50 per cut.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Maesyderi Field Meeting (which is a part of the Parks' sub-committee) are attached.

**10.2 Footpaths:** Mr Eirwyn Williams is maintaining the footpaths over the summer months. *No report from Sub-Committee.*

**10.3 Flowers: Floral Displays within the Town over the Summer Months**

Tenders had been sought by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018. 12 Noon. There had been *no* expressions of interest. Mr Jon Hadlow, Ceredigion County Council was subsequently contacted.

Cllr Bebb Jones stated that a 3-year contract had been considered, during the previous year.

**Llanarth Garden Centre will provide the plants to include the 3 planters on the Town Entrances.** (£3,700 ex VAT); Ceredigion County Council will undertake the Ground's Maintenance (£3,120 ex VAT) and Mr Robert Jones will carry out the watering (£4,200 ex vat).

**10.4 Welsh Language**

**10.4.1 Welsh Language Annual Review: RESOLVED:** Cllr Ann Bowen Morgan to compile the Review for consideration by the Town Council.

**10.4.2 The Gig** has been postponed until the 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

**10.4.3 Mural for a wall of the Town:** arranged by Ysgol Bro Pedr to be undertaken by a local artist (£300/day x 2 days and funded by Cered). It was proposed that the work be put out to tender to allow other artists the opportunity to participate. It was **RESOLVED** to find a suitable wall within the town.

**10.5 Walkers are Welcome:** Kay Davies is preparing documents for consideration.

**10.6 Administration:**

**10.6.1 General Data Protection Regulation:** enforceable from the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018. **RESOLVED:** to remove the names of organisations, as they appear on the Town Council's website. (RP)

**10.6.2 REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES:** Members could be allocated £150 per annum for general expenses, to be introduced in the 2018-19 Fiscal Year. 5 senior members could be allocated an additional £500 and costs associated with child-care/care-givers for members undertaking council work, could be reimbursed. The Mayor will be allocated £1,500 and the cost of civic functions will be paid by the Town Council. Travelling costs and overnight stay could be reimbursed. Receipts must be provided and all payments on display, within the public domain. All are optional, and Cllrs may choose not to receive the allowance. Careful records will have to be kept.

**10.6.3 Post of Prospective Clerk:** The Administration sub-committee had met on the 17<sup>th</sup> April (Minutes attached). The Mayor Cllr Harris stated that Ceredigion County Council will provide “clerking”, should a person not be appointed by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018. **RESOLVED:** Mayor Cllr Harris to approach Mr Denfer Morgan, ongoing clerk of Aberaeron Town Council. Next Meeting: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 5.35pm.

**11. AOB**

- 11.1 Degeneration of benches** are evident in the environs of Roberts’ Electricals and the four far-end benches within the Cwmins, adjacent to the Fire Station. **RESOLVED:** To report to CCC.
- 11.2 The Memorial Gates, Lampeter Rugby Club,** have been repaired. The side gate on the path has been moved to allow for a vehicular entrance. The bin has been removed. **RESOLVED:** to contact CCC to ask whether the bin could be returned.
- 11.3 The paving within Market Street is uneven.** **RESOLVED:** to ask CCC whether it would be possible to re-tarmac the area.
- 11.4 Public Conveniences, Market Street:** Men’s Section: signs appear in English only. **RESOLVED:** to contact Ceredigion CC to make enquiries in relation to their Language Policy.

**As there was no other business the Meeting was adjourned at 9.20pm. ‘**

**Date of next events:**

**Civic Events**

**Mayor’s Installation Ceremony:** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018 @ 6.30pm at the Old Hall, University of Wales Trinity Saint David Lampeter.

**Mayor’s Civic Service:** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018 @ 10.30am, Noddfa Chapel, Lampeter.

**Monthly Meeting:**

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Lampeter.**

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