



*Before the meeting, all present, were invited to participate in prayer.
Cllr Dave Smith led members in prayer.*

**LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF
THE MONTHLY MEETING
26.07.2018 VICTORIA HALL, LAMPETER AT 7.00pm.**

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND PERSONAL MATTERS

Deputy-Mayor Cllr. Robert Phillips welcomed all present to the meeting.

2. PRESENT

Deputy-Mayor Cllr. Robert Phillips, Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones, Cllr. R. G. (Hag) Harris, Cllr. Elin T Jones, Cllr. Richard Marks, Cllr. Dinah Mulholland, Cllr. David Smith, Cllr. Helen Thomas, Cllr. Selwyn Walters, Cllr. Emma Wood & Cllr. Gary Thorogood.

Meryl Thomas - Clerk Lampeter Town Council
Simultaneous Translator - Carol Thomas.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Mayor, Cllr. Ann Morgan, Cllr. Kistiah Ramaya, Cllr. Chris Thomas.

4. POLICE MATTERS - No police present. Cllr. Dave Smith raised his concerns over drinking on the square.

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 28TH JUNE 2018.

It was decided that the minutes of the 28th June 2018 needed to be amended regarding Wales and West Housing Association housing allocation system. It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Dave Smith and **SECONDED** by Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones and **RESOLVED** that after the amendment that the minutes were a correct record.

It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Dave Smith and **SECONDED** by Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the audit meeting on the 11th July 2018 were a correct record and signed by the Chair, Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips.

6. MATTERS ARISING.

6.1 Wales and West Housing Association

Wales & West Housing Association – Appeal going ahead on Ffynnonbedr School.

Cllr. Helen Thomas confirmed that the tenant in Bryn Road had left the property.

Problem with building as front wall had collapsed. Wales and West have been asked to come and inspect the property.

Cllr. Selwyn Walters was concerned that the 80% of tenants had a close association with Lampeter as stated by Wales and West Housing but Cllr. Elin Jones assured him that potential tenants did need to prove a connection and that there were no loopholes. Cllr. Dinah Mulholland stated that the County Council decided who gets the houses and not Wales & West.

6.2 Post of Clerk

Meryl Thomas has taken over as clerk as from 1st July 2018

6.3 Play Area Maesyfelin

Cllr. Richard Marks to draft a letter to Tai Ceredigion regarding the lease of Maesyfelin play area to request a 9 to 12 month notice as the councillors are not happy with a 3 month notice period.

6.4 Tai Ceredigion –Brongest Policy

Tai Ceredigion letting policy for Brongest – all councillors were happy with this policy and clerk was asked to write to them and confirm.

6.5 Remembrance Day

Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones and Cllr. Richard Marks had looked in to the grant for Remembrance Day activities and confirmed it not suitable for what was discussed at the last meeting.

Cllr. Elin Jones informed the meeting that St Johns Ambulance had approached Ryan Jones regarding celebrations of their 140-year anniversary, the Football club had been approached to arrange a football game between the town and the Town council. St Johns would like a procession through town and a football game. It was resolved to ask Cllr. Elin Jones, Cllr. Dave Smith, Cllr. Emma Wood and Cllr. Dinah Mulholland to look into this.

6.6 Litter Collection

The Mayor was pleased with the turnout and was hoping to arrange another day in the next few months. Cllr. Hag Harris though the turnout was very poor and Cllr. Dinah Mulholland thought that we needed an awareness campaign for these days with posters, social media etc.

6.7 Fountain and Harford Square

Nothing to report.

6.8 Plastic Free Initiative

Cllr. Dinah Mulholland confirmed there would be another clean up in the autumn.

6.9 NHS Consultation

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan has responded, noting the importance of establishing an Integrated health Centre in Lampeter

6.10 Food Festival

Cllr. Dave Smith will cover the Town Council stall at the Food Festival and Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones will help.

6.11 Litter bin – adjacent to Rugby Club

Cllr. Hag Harries to contact Mark Chapel of The Highways Department to enquire about the bin by the Rugby club.

6.12 Other matters arising

Letter from Huw James regarding the potential legal claim in respect of a person who had fallen on the pavement in the Maesyfelin area, no further correspondence received after our response.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Letter received from A.F. Blakemore confirming that they had no problem opening the former SPAR shop to tidy up the window - The Deputy-Mayor, Cllr. Rob Phillips suggested that this could be discussed in the Place Plans meeting.

7.2 Cwn Design - New councillors all set up with new e-mails addresses.

7.3 CCC letter regarding road closure in Lampeter.

7.4 Mountains to the Sea – The aim of the trip is to raise funds for the DPJ Foundation and also to raise awareness of their 24-emergency helpline for people within the rural community in crisis. They will be stopping in Lampeter over the night of Thursday 27th September, getting in at around 5.00pm and heading off again around 9.00am on the morning of Friday 28th. They have asked for support and help in finding a place to camp and perhaps an event for those involved to which others could be invited. The Deputy-Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips suggested a Civic reception. Cllr. Elin Jones will look in to this and Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones will ask the university regarding camping.

8. PLANNING MATTERS

8.1 Place Plans - Facebook group (Love Lampeter) set up for ideas etc from town, The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan to take white board for ideas to Merched y Wawr, Food Festival, Carnival etc. Forum to be held in September, October for different ideas for the Place Plans, next meeting 4th September 2018. Sarah Ward from Y Studio Brint will print cards which will be distributed in the University Graduation and the Food Festival for ideas for what people think about Lampeter and want to see happen in Town. Consider pop up shops in town.

8.2 Planning application at 37 High Street Lampeter, demolition of stone wall to allow for proposed development - No objections apart from concerns regarding access from Cllr.

Hag Harries. Observation to be sent regarding access.

9. FINANCE

9.1 PAYMENTS – The following payments were agreed

Swalec - £14.73

Llanarth Garden Centre - £4440.00

St Peters Church - Young at Heart - £76.00

Eleri Thomas - £242.50

Derek Marshall Auditor - £150.00

Transition Llambed - £174.00

Cwn Design - £54.00

10. COMMITTEES

New Councillors were nominated to various committees

- a. Administration - Cllr. Richard Marks & Cllr. Helen Thomas.
- b. Footpaths - Cllr. Gary Thorogood
- c. Parks - Cllr. Emma Wood
- d. Welsh Language - Cllr. Richard Marks
- e. Flowers - Cllr. Helen Thomas

a. ADMINISTRATION

Draft policy received from one voice wales.

E-mails have been set up for all new councillors.

b. FOOTPATHS

Cllr. Hag Harris to arrange a meeting of the committee.

c. PARKS

Cllr. Elin Jones has had plans and quotations from Playdale for Equipment for Parc yr Orsedd. Cllr. Hag Harries suggested we apply for a Community Grant before starting on the project. The Town Clerk was asked to contact Meinir Davies at Ceredigion County Council regarding possibility of getting a Community Grant. **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Dave Smith to accept the Playdale quotation for £12,025.60 + VAT, **SECONDED** by Cllr. Emma Wood.

PROPOSED by Cllr. Dave Smith for a committee The Mayor, Cllr. Ann Morgan, The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips, Past Mayor, Cllr. Elin Jones and the Town Clerk to complete the Grant form, **SECONDED** by Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones. **DECIDED** to wait for grant decision before commencing on the project.

d. WELSH LANGUAGE

Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones to complete the feedback on the Ceredigion Language Strategy 2018-23

e. FLOWERS

Cllr. Elin Jones noticed that the flowers by the Lampeter sign on the way in to town by LAS were dead. Cllr. Dave Smith to speak to Mr Hatlock at Ceredigion County Council.

11. AOB

Cllr. Elin Jones - Public Meeting in Victoria Hall with Leanne Wood on Friday 27.07.18 One Voice Wales – Cllr. Dave Smith now a member of the Area committee for sustainability future group.

Cllr. Gary Thorogood asked if every councillor could write about 200 words about themselves and also supply a photo for the Grapevine. Please co-ordinate through the Town Clerk.

Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones PROPOSED no meeting in August SECONDED by Cllr. Dinah Mulholland. Cllr. Hag Harris proposed meeting in August SECONDED by Cllr. Selwyn Walters

Amendment vote For - 2 Against - 8

Amendment FALL

Motion to meet in September AGREED.

Next meeting September 27th 2018 at 7.30pm

