



*Before the meeting, all present, were invited to participate in prayer.  
The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips led  
members in prayer.*

**LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF  
THE MONTHLY MEETING  
12.02.2019 VICTORIA HALL, LAMPETER AT 7.30pm.**

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

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan welcomed all present to the meeting.

**2. PRESENT**

The Mayor, Cllr. Ann Morgan, Deputy-Mayor Cllr. Robert Phillips, Cllr. Kistiah Ramaya, Cllr. Chris Thomas, Cllr. R. G. (Hag) Harris, Cllr. Emma Wood, Cllr. Gary Thorogood, Cllr. Dinah Mulholland, Cllr. Helen Thomas, Cllr. Dave Smith, Cllr. Selwyn Walters, Cllr Elin T. Jones & Cllr Gary Thorogood.

Meryl Thomas - Clerk Lampeter Town Council.

Carol Thomas - Simultaneous Translator.

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones.

**3. PLANNING - MAES Y DERI**

Planning application has been submitted for the 95 houses at the land at Maes y Deri

Cllr. Hag Harris stated that the application looks exactly like the pre-application. Application could change as this is only the outline planning. The following were stated as objections which were brought up in the previous meeting regarding the application -

- a. Size of development too large, swallows up too much of the houses in the LDP, if it was reduced it will elevate some of the other concerns.
- b. Access points and increased traffic at Maes y Deri and Brynsteffan
- c. Run off and services.
- d. Amenities space.
- e. Houses overlooking other houses.
- f. Pepper potting.

- g. Phasing of building which will cause minimum of disruption for the town.
- h. Circular route would create traffic problems and cause a bypass road through the estate.

The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips stated that all these had objections had been brought up in the public meeting. He suggested that the council and the public submit their observations regarding the application by the closing date of 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan asked the public for their input and they made the following observations –

Doctors surgery already full.

Access to building site by children's play area.

Three storey houses overlooking other properties.

#### 4. **POLICE MATTERS -**

Inspector Christina Fraser and PCSO Iona Jones-Kenny attended the meeting.

Inspector Fraser stated her priorities for Lampeter, which were getting policeman back out on the beat in town, which she would also be doing. Issues that need to be addressed are anti-social behavior in town especially around the Library and Sainsburys. Also, alcohol consumption on the streets are also a big problem in Lampeter. A new Licensing Officer has been appointed for Ceredigion, Louise Bradshaw a former Police Inspector which will be working to combat the issue of drinking on the streets and implement the Public Space Protection Order.

Cllr. Chris Thomas said that there was a problem with drinking and broken glass in Parc yr Orsedd, Inspector Fraser confirmed it was in the no drinking zone. Cllr. Kistiah Ramaya was concerned about the drug issue in town, Inspector Fraser said they knew of the problem and were trying to combat the situation by patrolling the areas involved and said it was important for the public to inform the police of any problems in town.

#### 5. **DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST**

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan - Chairman of local fund-raising committee for Eisteddfod 2020.

The Deputy Mayor Cllr Rob Phillips - Wife is vice-chairman of local fund-raising committee for Eisteddfod 2020.

Cllr. Elin T Jones - Lives in Brynsteffan and campaigning against the planning in Maes y Deri.

Cllr. Dinah Mulholland - Campaigning against the planning in Maes y Deri. Ex Director of TLDT.

Cllr. Gary Thorogood – Director of TLDT.

#### 6. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018.**

It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Dave Smith and **SECONDED** by Cllr. Selwyn Walters and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 were a correct record and signed by the Chair, The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan.

## **7. MATTERS ARISING.**

### **7.1 Maesyfelin Play Area**

A Letter has been received from ADVE Solicitor regarding Maesyfelin Lease and the three months' notice. The clerk will ask Cllr. Richard Marks to look over the Lease. Cllr. Hag Harries suggested that if Cllr. Richard Marks was happy with the lease that we should accept it. The clerk to check the amount of rent to be paid each year.

### **7.2 Parc yr Orsedd**

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan has ordered a sign with the name of the sponsors for the park. Cllr. Chris Thomas will erect the sign together with a plaque for the donation of 4 trees for Parc yr Orsedd from the Rotary Club.

A letter received from CCC to confirm that they had spoken to J&E Woodworks regarding the re-bedding of the stone copings and that this will be done by them free of charge. The clerk to write a letter of thanks to J&E Woodworks.

### **7.3 Litter bin – adjacent to Rugby Club**

Cllr. Hag Harris has received a letter from Mark Chapel, CCC to say that the bin had still not been replaced by the contractor. Cllr. Harris suggested we buy a bin and send the bill to the contractor.

### **7.4 Neuadd y Dre -**

Jen Jones had sent an email confirming that she had decided not to rent out the courtroom. The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips proposed that if the courtroom was not available, we should not continue with renting a room from her as the other room offered was not suitable, and was seconded by Cllr. Elin T Jones.

Jen Jones asked for help in the maintenance and upkeep of the clock. It was agreed to pay £500.00 a year for a 5-year period, towards maintaining the clock as this was an iconic part of the town, but this will only be paid if the clock is operational and that Jen Jones will take be responsible for the appearance of the clock tower. If the building was sold this would not be transferable. If the clock is out of order the council will reduce the payment for the period of the clock not working.

### **7.5 Teifi Terrace lights –**

The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips has been in touch with Sam Thomas Electrician. Sam is in discussion with Western Power and the residents about maybe putting some lights on the houses in Teifi Terrace. He will get back to us with a price.

The clerk to contact CCC for a sign each side of Teifi Terrace stating 'Access only, no through road'.

## **8. MATTERS NOT RAISED FROM THE MINUTES**

### **8.1 Nomination of the Mayor and Deputy-Mayor for 2019-20 -**

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan nominated The Deputy- Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips as

the next Mayor and this was seconded by Cllr. Elin T Jones and was approved by all present. The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips accepted the position. Cllr Hag Harris nominated Cllr Selwyn Walters as The Deputy-Mayor and this was seconded by Cllr. Dave Smith and was approved by all present. Cllr. Selwyn Walters accepted the position.

#### **8.2 Plastic Free Initiative -**

Cllr. Dinah Mulholland was hoping to confirm that we had received the Plastic Free Community Status but it was not quite achieved yet, hopefully it will have been achieved by the next meeting.

#### **8.3 Co-ordinating the Hunger Lunch -**

The Hunger lunch will be held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2019 at St. Peters Church Hall. Cawl will be on the menu. The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan asked for help on the Friday morning at 9.30 am to prepare the cawl. Donation received will be towards Christian Aid.

#### **8.4 Transition Llambled – report after meeting with the directors -**

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan and the Deputy-Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips met with the directors of Transition Llambled and reported back that the money the council had put towards the project was safe and ring fenced. They had asked if the council would like to appoint a director from the council for Transition Llambled it was agreed by everyone not to do this. It was also decided not to ask for the money back at the time being but to monitor the situation.

#### **8.5 Events in Town -**

Speak Out at Arts Hall, UWTSO 5pm 28.02.19

Food Festival 27.07.19

Plastic Free Initiative talk at Green Week in the Students Union, UWTSO 13.02.19

British Heart Foundation in UWTSO on 15.02.19

Eisteddfod 2020 Local Fund meeting at Castle Green at 7pm 25.02.19

Quiz to raise money for the Eisteddfod 2020 at the Castle Green 7pm 22.03.19

Lampeter Beer and Cider Festival at UWTSO from 12pm 16.02.19

### **9. CORRESPONDENCE -**

Churchill Insurance company have confirmed that they will pay for the flower planter on the Aberaeron Road which was damaged in an accident last year by their insured driver. Cllr. Chris Thomas will arrange for a new planter to be ordered.

Cambrian Mountains requesting a response to creation of signage. It was proposed by Cllr. Elin T Jones to pick option 2 and was seconded by Cllr. Dinah Mulholland.

### **10. PLANNING MATTERS**

**10.1 Ceredigion County Council - Application A190056 – 27 Maesyfelin, Lampeter**  
- Proposal – Construction of a single storey extension at the rear of the property -  
No objections.

### **11. FINANCE**

**11.1 Payments - The following payments were agreed**

Gwynne Davies - Speaker system for Remembrance Sunday - £70.00  
G Williams - Grass cutting Maes y Deri - £60.00  
SSE – Electricity - £21.20  
St. Peters Church – Hire of hall for Young at Heart - £152.00  
Clerks expenses – H&L, storage, telephone and stationery - £179.76  
CCC – Road closure St David’s Day Walk - £170.00  
Transition Llambed - Hire of Hall - £40.00  
Clerks Wages - £609.38  
HMRC PAYE - £172.51  
Dyfed Gardening - £93.32

#### **11.2 Receipts -**

Grant from CCC for Parc yr Orsedd play equipment - £6,012.00  
Wales & West Housing Association for Parc yr Orsedd play equipment - £2,000.00  
Lloyds TSB bond matured - £70,598.26 – it was decided to re-invest £50,000.00 in a 1 year fixed bond with Lloyds TSB

#### **11.3 Financial Requests -**

Ceredigion National Eisteddfod 2020 – The target for Lampeter Fund is £12,500.00. It was proposed by Cllr. Elin T Jones and seconded by Cllr. Dave Smith and agreed by all present to donate £2,500.00 spread over 3 years, two payment of £1,000.00 and one of £500.00.

Place Plans – it was decided to donate £100.00 towards the vinyl that will be installed on the old Spar shop in town.

Teenage Cancer Trust – deferred to next meeting.

Tomos Jones for Glamorgan CCC Academy Tour of India – deferred to next meeting.

Wendy Clarke, WASPI campaign - Agreed to donate £50.00.

Ceredigion YFC – Agreed to donate £50.00

Llangollen International Eisteddfod - Agreed not to donate.

International Sheep Dog Trials 2020 – Agreed not to donate.

#### **11.4 Thank you letters**

St Davids’s Day committee - Thank you for the £500.00 donation towards the mural.

### **12. COMMITTEES**

#### **a. ADMINISTRATION**

A meeting of the administration committee was arranged for 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 to discuss the standing orders and the town clerk’s contract.

#### **b. FOOTPATHS**

Nothing to report.

#### **c. PARKS**

Cllr. Chris Thomas had spoken to Rhiannon Ling in regard to Wales and West Housing Association paying for a new fence at Parc yr Orsedd, she will get back to him regarding this. Meeting of the parks committee arranged for 27<sup>th</sup>

February, 2019.

**d. WELSH LANGUAGE**

Nothing to report.

**e. FLOWERS**

Cllr. Dave Smith had a meeting with Jon Hadlow, CCC to discuss this year's flowers. Llanarth Garden Centre will supply the plants for £4,573.20 and the grounds maintenance team at CCC will plant and maintain the beds at a cost of £3,276.00. The compost in the planters needs to be replaced, Roberts Garden Centre will do this for £300.00. Roberts Garden Centre will carry out the watering of the plants at the same price as last year of £5,400.00.

**13. AOB**

The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan asked if all the councillors could attend the St. David's Day Parade in their gowns, leaving Bro Pedr School at 12.45 on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

The clerk to write to CCC to ask if the Lampeter Branch of the British Legion and the Town Council can take over responsibility of cleaning the War Memorial.

Cllr. Helen Thomas raised the matter of the Pedestrian crossings in town not working. The clerk to contact CCC.

Cllr. Dinah Mulholland will inform the CCC regarding a wobbly lamppost outside the Victoria Hall, Cllr. Mulholland will also contact WWHA to ask if it would be possible for the council to keep the gates and newel posts outside the old primary school.

Next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm

Meeting adjourned at 10.15 pm