



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

**LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF
THE MONTHLY MEETING
28.02.2019 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. Chris Thomas, Cllr. R. G. (Hag) Harris, Cllr. Gary Thorogood, Cllr. Dinah Mulholland, Cllr. Helen Thomas, Cllr. Selwyn Walters & Cllr. Richard Marks

Meryl Thomas - Clerk Lampeter Town Council.

Carol Thomas - Simultaneous Translator.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Rhys Bebb Jones, Cllr. Kistiah Ramaya, Cllr. Emma Wood, Cllr. Dave Smith & Cllr Elin T. Jones.

3. POLICE MATTERS -

No police present. The Deputy-Mayor had spoken to Dafydd Llywelyn the police and crime commissioner for the Dyfed- Powys police force area who had confirmed that he will be coming to speak to the Town Council in the near future. He had also confirmed that a new CCTV system will be installed in Lampeter in the coming months.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

Cllr. Selwyn Walters – Wife is president of Ceredigion Girl Guides & Brownies

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 12th FEBRUARY, 2019

It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Hah Harris and **SECONDED** by The Deputy-Mayor Cllr Rob Phillips and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the 12th February, 2019 were a correct record and signed by the Chair, The Mayor Cllr. Ann Morgan, apart from the following amendment –

5.1 Minute Ref – 8.5 Events in Town – Extinction Rebellion Film – Lampeter Victoria Hall 16.02.19

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING -

6.1 Maesyfelin Play Area

Cllr. Richards Marks has looked over the lease, he confirmed that there was no rent to pay and that he was happy to complete the lease. Tai Ceredigion agreed to reinstate the parks play equipment prior to handover. Cllr. Hag Harris proposed that we sign the lease and this was seconded by Cllr. Chris Thomas. The clerk to look in to the possibility of applying for a grant for play equipment for the area.

6.2 Litter bin – adjacent to Rugby Club

Cllr. Chris Thomas will look at prices for a new bin from recycled materials.

6.3 Teifi Terrace lights –

No development since last meeting.

6.4 Acceptance of the prospective Mayor and Deputy-Mayor -

The Deputy-Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips accepted the position of Mayor for the coming year and Cllr. Selwyn Walters accepted the position of Deputy-Mayor.

- 6.5** Cllr. Dinah Mulholland stated that the newel posts outside the old school had been removed. Cllr. Helen Thomas was told by Wales and West Housing Association that they had been taken away.

7. MATTERS NOT RAISED FROM THE MINUTES

7.1 Plastic Free Initiative -

Cllr. Dinah Mulholland confirmed that Lampeter has achieved Plastic Free Community status. Many thanks to all the Lampeter residents, businesses and local organisations and their representatives that have been involved in this application and we will be holding a public event soon to celebrate this achievement for Lampeter. I think we are the second inland community in Wales, and one of 50 communities in the UK so far, to have achieved Plastic Free Community Status. This does not mean that Lampeter is now plastic free by any means, but that we have been recognised as taking significant steps to reduce our use of single use plastic. Cllr. Mulholland suggested that we use the drinking fountain at Harford Square to enable people to fill their water bottles after it has been renovated.

Thanks to the following who have been involved - Ysgol Bro Pedr, Make a Green Team, Lampeter Chamber of Trade, Transition Llambod, Lampeter Permaculture Group, Victoria Hall, Lampeter Town Council, The Mulberry Bush, Creative Cove, Watson & Pratts, Lampeter People's Market, and many thanks to our Plastic Free Steering Group members for all their hard work Cheryl Hillier, Daryn Manchip, Colin Parks, Dinah Mulholland and Lianna Kent.

7.2 Climate Emergency Motion –

This evening Lampeter Town Council unanimously supported a Climate Emergency Motion put forward by Cllr. Dinah Mulholland and seconded by Cllr. Gary Thorogood which will lead to the council developing a plan to help make our community carbon neutral by 2030 as well as developing an environmental policy for the council. A group of local people attended the meeting and 12yr old schoolgirl Jemimah Norton addressed the council asking if Lampeter Town Council were ready to acknowledge that there is a real emergency that we are now facing. The initial aim of the motion is to launch a six-month consultation involving organisations and residents prior to drawing up an action plan. Cllr. Mulholland stated that experts warned that there is only 12 years before climate change would be irreversible and suggested that now was the time for charging points for electric vehicles in Lampeter. The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips felt parks could be run in a more 'eco-friendly' manner, while the council could also use materials that would have less impact on the environment.

7.3 St David's Day Parade and event to follow –

All councillors to meet at Bro Pedr School on Monday 4th March at 12.45 in their gowns. Tea and cakes will be served in the Victoria Hall after the Parade and pupils from local schools and Cor Cwmann will be singing. Ben Lake and Emyr Lewis will attend the Parade. Refreshments have been donated by Sainsburys.

7.4 Place Plans -

A steering group has been set up. Two consultants are involved in helping the group. A vinyl with poems from Sue Moules and Delor James has been placed on the window of the old Spar window. The 'Love Lampeter' Facebook page is up and running, Deputy Mayor Cllr. Rob Phillips has been posting photos of Lampeter on the page in the hope that people will post comments about what they want to see or don't want to see in Lampeter. Everyone is welcome to attend the next meeting at 7 pm on 18.03.19 at the CAVO offices.

7.5 Bro Pedr School Disco 5th April -

The clerk to check with the school about the pupils who will be in charge of the music.

7.6 Mayor's end of year supper -

This will be held in Contis Café on Friday 29th March at 7.30pm

7.7 Events in Town –

Noson Cawl a Chan – Lampeter Rugby Club Saturday 2nd March, 7.30pm, proceeds to Lampeter Chamber of Trade and Tregaron National Eisteddfod 2020

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

Disco Bro Pedr School 5th April

Lampeter Museum re-opening 9th April

Bro360 – Digital video training – Lampeter Rugby Club 6th March 7pm

8. CORRESPONDENCE -

Joint request from Lampeter Brownies and Incredible Edible Lampeter to create an Incredible Edible space in Parc yr Orsedd under shared care to grow fresh fruit, herbs and vegetables and inviting people to help look after them, then harvesting and eating the food (whether or not people have helped to tend the beds). It was decided to find out in there were any clauses on the land and for Incredible Edible and the Brownies to submit a plan of what they had in mind.

9. PLANNING MATTERS

No Applications

10. FINANCE

10.1 Payments - The following payments were agreed

Welsh Audit Office - £225.00
One Voice Wales membership - £379.00
Carole Thomas Translator - £192.50
Lois Design - £47.00
Clerks Wages - £609.38
HMRC PAYE - £172.51

10.2 Receipts –

None

10.3 Financial Requests -

Teenage Cancer Trust – £25.00
Tomos Jones for Glamorgan CCC Academy Tour of India – £100.00
Urdd National Eisteddfod of Wales – decided not to donate but to donate to the local Urdd toward costs of attending the National Eisteddfod, approx. £300.00
Wales Air Ambulance - £50.00

10.4 Thank you letters

Thank you letter from Jen Jones regarding donation towards upkeep of the Town Hall clock and asking for schedule of payment. The clerk to ask Jen for confirmation that she agrees to the clauses before payment is made.

11. COMMITTEES

a. ADMINISTRATION

A meeting of the administration committee was arranged for 20th March 2019 to discuss the standing orders and the town clerk's contract.

b. FOOTPATHS

Nothing to report.

c. PARKS

Cllr. Chris Thomas reported that the climbing frame in Parc yr Orsedd has started to crack, Playdale have been contacted regarding replacement. Cllr. Thomas

suggested having a kissing gate installed by the Victoria Hall entrance as safety for young children. It was agreed for Cllr. Thomas to look into prices for a kissing gate.

d. WELSH LANGUAGE

Nothing to report.

e. FLOWERS

Roberts Garden Centre will replace the compost in the planters in town when the daffodils have finished blooming.

12. AOB

Cllr. Dinah Mulholland, Cllr. Gary Thorogood, The Mayor and Deputy Mayor were appointed as members of the climate change committee.

The Hunger Lunch will take place on Friday 1st March, Cllrs. To attend at 10am. The clerk has received a few complaints about litter on the streets of Lampeter. Cllr. Helen Thomas said that the Chinese community had been out litter picking in town recently, the clerk to send a letter on thanks to them. The Mayor will arrange another litter pick in April.

The clerk to arrange for tenders for grass cutting at Parc yr Orsedd, Maesyderi and the Footpaths.

The mural has been placed on W D Lewis wall, a small ceremony will take place on Saturday 2nd March at 2pm to thank the sponsors.

Cllr. Selwyn Walters congratulated Mr. Len Smith the local fish supplier for receiving a prestigious award, the National Award for Best Fishmonger in Britain

13. Next meeting 28th March at 7.30pm

Meeting adjourned at 9.15 pm

