

**LLANDRINDOD WELLS TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in Committee Room A, County Hall**

**Present:** Cllr J Williams, E Worgan, G Price, B Makusha, S Meredudd, B Williams

**Apologies:** Cllr W Francis

**TC 53/17** **Declarations**

The following declarations were made:  
None.

**TC 54/17** **Minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017 were confirmed and signed.

**TC 55/17** **Clerk's Report/Information from Meeting:**

**TC 46/17** **Football Club – Oxford Road Field**

I will shortly be arranging a date for members to meet with representatives of the Football Club to discuss their approach with regard to Oxford Road field. The decision was made to delay this until after the May elections.

**TC 46/17** **Ken Richards Commemorative Vintage Vehicle Display**

This event will take place on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2017 on the market site and Middleton Street. The application for road closure has been granted. Posters and application forms are now available. A planning meeting will be arranged for members shortly. A Vintage bus has been arranged for Saturday running trips from town to the Lake, and will run a trip to the Elan Valley on the Sunday on a fee paying basis.

**TC 56/17** **Chairman's Announcements.**

24<sup>th</sup> April – Meeting at Crabtree Green allotments with members of the Allotment Committee.

1<sup>st</sup> May – Attended the annual Transition Mayfair.

Another very successful event with many local stalls and local organisations in attendance.

6<sup>th</sup> May – Attended the Llandrindod Wells Lions Club 29<sup>th</sup> Charter Dinner.

A great evening with our local club. It was fantastic to hear about their year but with the very sad loss of their President, Roger Millar. What an asset this club is to our town and the money they raise goes to many good causes.

With the lead up to the election for County and Community Councillors it has been a very quiet month to end my term as Chairman and Mayor.

**TC 57/17** **Correspondence**

**a) Pavilion – Town Noticeboards**

Email response from the Pavilion as follows:

- We would be running the boards under the banner of Llandod Events as I believe by offering both a physical visual display along with a digital online display gives a better all-round coverage
- We had planned on charging a standard cost of 25p per A4 poster (per board, per week) and 50p per A3 poster (subject to space and availability)
- We would like to provide 2 spaces (one at Boots and one at Bandstand) for out of town Advertisers such as Elan Valley, Penybont etc

If the Town Council are willing to take on board the above suggestions, we would happily take over the running of the boards for the benefit of the town and it's residents.

**Resolved:** to agree to the terms laid out.

**b) One Voice Wales – Motions for AGM**

Invitation to submit motions for the AGM.

The Clerk had previously circulated this to members, no response had been received. However, Cllr Meredudd would now like the Council to consider submitting a motion. Cllr Meredudd will circulate a copy of this motion to the Clerk for inclusion on the June meeting agenda. Other members were asked to submit motions to the Clerk.

**Resolved:** to defer item to next agenda.

**c) Powys County Council – Grass Cutting**

Email from Paul Griffiths informing that PCC has had to reduce the number of grass cuts for general amenity land across the Council area for the current year. PCC had hoped to have transferred land in Newtown which would have dealt with the budget reduction that needs to be achieved but unfortunately this transfer has stalled.

In order to be equitable, the reduction on the number of cuts will need to be applied evenly across the county. The number of cuts will reduce from 10 to 5, but the contractor has agreed to carry out one additional cut this year without charge.

Members were surprised to receive this information. It is evident that PCC is struggling with its budget, however the Town Council should not be held to ransom over this matter which is highly unacceptable.

Cllr Price will be contacting Paul Griffiths with regard to this relating to his role as a County Councillor.

Members would like to receive information on how this decision has been made, which areas it affects, and which other Councils have been informed of this and which communities have been affected

**Resolved:** to respond to Paul Griffiths asking for a response to the above questions.

Members were informed that the Chair and Clerk have been invited to attend a meeting the Paul Griffiths and officers to discuss the CAT and service level applications which have already been submitted by the Town Council.

TC 58/17

**Applications for Financial Assistance**

**a) Eisteddfod yr Urdd – Grant application**

Members discussed this application – no grant was awarded.

**b) Welsh Women’s Bowling Association**

Application for grant towards the Welsh Womens’ Bowls International Series which will take place in Llandrindod Wells from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Members agreed that this is an important event for the town.

**Resolved:** to award a grant of £250 from the Events budget.

TC 59/17

**Representatives Reports**

a) Llandrindod Transition (SM) Noted.

b) B&R Area One Voice Wales (SM) Noted.

TC 60/17

**Planning Applications**

a) **P/2017/0353** – Change of use of ground floor from residential (C3) to commercial café/restaurant (A3) at Temple Chambers, Llandrindod Wells. **No objection.**

b) **P/2017/0412** – Full: Formation of a hand wash and valeting operation facility including erection of an office and canopy at Tesco Stores Ltd. **No objection.**

c) **P/2017/0413** – for Advertisement: Display of various advertisement signs in connection with proposed car wash & valeting facility at Tesco Store. **No objection.**

d) **P/2017/0469** - Full: change of use of basement office (B1) to residential flat (C3) at Trafford House, Temple Street, Llandrindod Wells, Powys. **No objection.**

TC 61/17

**Accounts**

**a) To approve the payments for April 2017**

The accounts for April were approved and signed.

**b) To approve accounts for 2016/17**

The Accounts for 2016/17 were presented to the Council, these were approved and signed by the Chair and clerk.

**c) To approve Section 1 & 2 Annual Audit 2016/17**

The Annual return was presented to the Council, Sections 1&2 were approved by members and signed by the Chair and Clerk.

TC 62/17

**Town Council Vacancies**

Following the recent Local Government Elections the Town Council has 8 vacancies.

**Resolved:** to issue co-option notice. The Clerk to redact all applications to allow the process to be anonymous. Closing date to be 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017. A special meeting will be held to carry out the co-option process on Weds 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017 at County Hall.

### **Confidential Minutes**

**TC 63/17**

#### **Website Contract**

The charge for the website will increase to £400 plus VAT per annum due to the increased usage of 5.66gb. The Clerk had requested further information on this.

**Resolved:** to await further information prior to making a decision.