

## KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

**12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018**

At the meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at the Council Offices, Kidwelly on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Present	Town Mayor	P.Thompson
	Deputy Mayor	
	Councillors	G.Jones, A.Jenkins, C.Peters-Bond, G. Beer, J.Mayne V.Bevan-Jones, J.Gilasbey, D. Lloyd-Waterford
	Town Clerk	V. O'Reilly
	Estates officer	Mark Stephens
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
Apologies	Councillors	S.Davies, T.Burnett, J.Bezant, L.Jones, C.Davies

### **76 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Jeanette Gilasbey declared an interest in all matters relating to planning applications.

### **77 ESTATES OFFICER REPORT**

The estates officer had provided a written report which was considered. Issues not covered by matters arising are as follows:-

#### Candidate Sites

The revised date for final submissions is now 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Consultation over Brynhefin fields continues. The tenant of potential site A6 has died. Legal implications will be investigated.

#### Phase 2

Current expenditure is £459,212. Carpenters return on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Outstanding M&E issues should be resolved by the end of the month.

#### Maintenance Works

Additional areas acquired through asset transfer have been mown.

#### Coffio Grav

Fence damage is to be mended – the contractor will be asked to complete work before the next committee meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018

#### Tree felling – Waungadog farm

Trees overhanging the caravan park have been cut back

#### St Mary's Clock

The clock is now working. A technical quotation for fixing the broken minute hand is £6818. The insurance company will be contacted.

#### Japanese Knotweed

Visual inspection of sites will be undertaken.

#### Bench at Parc Stephens

The contractor will be requested to mend the broken bench.

### **Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

### **78 CEMETERY**

The cemetery development plans will be considered. This will include the green burial site.

**79 MAINTENANCE OF MYNYDD Y GARREG MOUNTAIN**

Footpaths are overgrown with brambles and branches. The county council has been requested to clear the paths and declassify the Byway Open to All Traffic as a bridleway.

**80 FUTURE DEVELOPMENT GLH14**

This tenancy ceases in October 2018. A meeting with the tenant will be arranged to discuss the poor condition of the land which has been rented for 10 years. There is a considerable amount of work needed to upgrade the land. The estates officer will investigate costs for fencing and drainage and explore options for renting the land.

**81 CONDITION OF H3 – “in camera”**

A request to discuss the possible purchase of the land from the present tenant has been received. The estates officer has inspected the land. A valuation will be obtained.

**82 LEASE OF THE FORESHORE**

The Crown Estate agent has informed council that, under the terms of the lease, (if it is not renewed,) the slipway has to be removed. This matter will be investigated.

**83 PURCHASE OF GL19**

A request to purchase GL19 has been received. A valuation of £15k has been received. It was **RESOLVED** not to sell the land. Note and **Close** this item.

**84 MAINTENANCE OF FOOTBRIDGE AND CASTLE RIVER WALK**

It was reported that further damage had been done to the bridge and the walkway is in need of maintenance. Anti-slip wire will be attached to the base of the footbridge.

**85 PURCHASE OF PART OF GLH14**

A request to purchase 2 sections of land at Waungadog has been received. A site visit revealed that the land was mostly overgrown. Part had been cleared and bee hives installed. This matter was deferred until the estates officer has investigated the issues.

**86 SPRAYING WEEDKILLER ON COUNCIL LAND**

The contractors and tenants will be instructed not to use Neonicotinoids when they spray on council land. Note and **Close** this item.

**87 ACCESS TO H5**

The estates officer will investigate the issues relating to a possible right of way over council land leading to the rear of an adjacent property. A valuation for a wayleave will be requested. It was **RESOLVED**, in principle, to authorise a wayleave pending an acceptable valuation.

**88 REQUEST TO RENT QUARRY**

A request to rent land adjacent to land known as GL14 has been received. The land was put to tender, one tender was received. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the tender of £40 per annum over a 5 year period. A schedule of work to be carried out had been provided. Note and **Close** this item.

### **89 PARC PENDRE DEVELOPMENT**

Outline planning for a housing development has been approved. Clearance work has commenced – this has included encroachment onto town council land without permission. This is not acceptable and the developer will be informed of this. A gate has also been removed. The bridleway will need to be rerouted and the county council has been consulted. The developer will be requested to submit details of his intended plans. He has agreed to treat the Japanese knotweed which is encroaching onto the footpath.

### **90 AGRICULTURAL TENDERS**

There were no tenders

### **91 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

	REF	TYPE	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	LOCATION	APPLICANT
1	S/37306	Full Planning	Disabled ramp and extension	Bowls pavilion, Vicarage Lane Kidwelly	Colin Jones

No observations were made.

### **92 CORRESPONDENCE – MAY/JUNE 2018**

Mr Ieuan Hughes	A complaint regarding the state of the cemetery has been received. Issues:- Weeds in the memorial garden and near cemetery gate Benches need attention. The contractor will be instructed to rectify these problems. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.
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### **93 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS – JUNE 2018**

It was noted that the floral box near the by-pass has disintegrated – the other boxes also need attention. Various other wooden structures need sadolin. This matter will be considered further next month at the General Purposes Committee under a minute entitled “Maintenance of floral boxes”. Note and Close this item.

It was agreed that tenancy agreements, and land policies should be reviewed. Recommendations will be presented for consideration.