

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

9th JANUARY 2018

At the meeting of the **FULL COUNCIL** held at the Parish Rooms, Kidwelly on Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 6.30pm.

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

Rev. Trevor Copeland gave prayers before the commencement of the meeting. A minutes silence was held in respect of the death of former Mayor Glyn Evans.

431 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

432 POLICING MATTERS

PSCO Wayne MacNally was unable to attend and no report had been received. The next PACT meeting will be held on 17th January 2018.

433 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND POLICIES

It was **RESOLVED** that the following minutes be confirmed:-

- Full Council 5th December 2017
- General Purposes Committee 5th December 2017
- Estates Committee 12th December 2017
- Finance Committee 12th December 2017

Matters arising from Full Council on 5th December 2017

434 PHASE 2 DEVELOPMENT

The Town Clerk informed members that the build was progressing on schedule. A financial progress report was circulated. A technical group meeting will be held on 10th January 2018.

435 ASSET TRANSFERS

A] Playgrounds:

Parc Stephens:-

The asset transfer has been signed by the town council and is awaiting completion by the county council. No payments have been received as yet.

Ger y Gwendraeth:-

The lease has been signed but will not be sent off until the fence has been erected. The county councillor is liaising with officers on this matter.

Mynydd y Garreg Playground:-

Installation of the play equipment has been completed and the park has been opened. The problem with the slide is still outstanding. The county council has agreed to pay the contractors directly even though the invoice for the work and equipment was issued to the town council as per the order form. A sum will be retained until completion of the work on the slide and an indemnity has been taken out to cover any remedial work needed. The county council will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of the project. The asset transfer has been completed and the maintenance payment has been received.

It was noted that members cannot sign any document committing the council to financial outlay without council approval.

B] Land at the Quay:

An expression of interest has been made but no response received as yet.

C] Toilets:

The town council has signed an undertaking to take over the toilets. The county council has countersigned, agreeing to construct a DDA compliant ramp. The town council solicitor has been instructed to arrange with the county council for a timeframe for this construction.

436 OWNERSHIP OF CAPEL SUL CEMETERY

The sale of the Chapel has been completed. The town council will not take over the cemetery until adequate funding is provided for its future upkeep. The Charity Commission will not allow money for maintenance to be given to the council. However, it will agree to permit finance for remedial work to be carried out. An inspection of headstones by a memorial mason has revealed that most are in danger of falling and need to be laid down. The cost of this and of a general overhaul of the grounds is estimated to be in excess of £40k. The trustees have been informed and a breakdown of costs provided for the Charity Commission. A response is awaited.

437 HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE

A meeting with the Wales Co-operative Housing Group was held on 6th December 2017. The town clerk will draft terms of reference for a Housing Co-operative Working Group comprising of Councillors J.Gilasbey, D.Lloyd-Waterford, V.Bevan-Jones, G.Jones, G.Beer, C.Davies and J.Bezant.

438 COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT

A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed. No action has been taken to date. Cllr G.Beer will progress the matter on behalf of the town council. Dissolution of the Memorandum of Understanding will be considered if no advancement has been made by June 2018.

439 ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

A review of electoral arrangements is being undertaken. A copy of "Guidance for Principal Councils on the Review of Communities" has been provided for each councillor. Members were requested to send their comments to the office as soon as possible so that deadlines could be met.

440 COMMUNITY HALLS

Princess Gwenllian Centre:- No report available

Mynydd y Garreg Hall:- A written report was submitted.

441 REPORTS FROM SCHOOL GOVERNORS, YOUTH COUNCIL, OTHER REPRESENTATIVES

County Councillor – Cllr Gilasbey had provided a written report.

Patient Participation Group – Minutes of the meeting held on 6th November 2017 had been circulated.

No information had been received from the following:-

Ysgol y Castell – Ysgol Gwenllian – Ysgol Mynydd y Garreg

Kidwelly Park Sports Association

The Hub

Gwendraeth Valley Group

Youth Council

442 COMMUNITY EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

It was agreed that a group should be set up to engage with the community, to fund raise and organise events. A formally constituted group would be better placed to attract grants and funding. An appropriate structure will be investigated by Cllrs J.Gilasbey, P.Thompson, V.Bevan-Jones and T.Burnett. This matter will be considered further at the Policy & Strategy Committee meeting on 9th January 2018. It was previously **RESOLVED** in principle to set up an Events Committee. For clarity this item will be re-named “Community Consultation and Events.

443 MAYOR’S DIARY / FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

DATE	APPOINTMENT	
9 th January 2018	Full Council and Policy & Strategy Committee	6.30pm
16 th January 2018	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

DATE	APPOINTMENT	
6 th February 2018	Full Council & General Purposes Committee	6.30pm
13 th February 2018	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm

444 NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION OF MAYOR

Notification of the election of Mayor for 2018 – 2019 was given. Nomination papers were circulated. The election will be held on 6th February 2018.

445 CORRESPONDENCE – DECEMBER 2017 / JANUARY 2018

1	Tara Fisher	A request for the council to become involved in making Llanelli and District into a Fairtrade area has been received. It was noted that the council has previously committed to this. This support was reaffirmed. Note and Close this item.
2	One Voice Wales	A newsletter had been circulated detailing activities undertaken by One Voice Wales. Note and Close this item.