

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

2nd OCTOBER 2018

At the meeting of the **FULL COUNCIL** held at the Council Offices, Kidwelly on Tuesday 2nd October 2018 at 6.30pm.

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

Rev Trevor Copeland offered prayers before the commencement of the meeting. It was reported that former Mayor Derek Dalton had died. A minute silence was held.

237 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

238 POLICING MATTERS

The police have not attended nor sent in reports for several months. The town clerk will write to the Chief Inspector indicating that a police presence, or written report presented to Full Council would be beneficial to both parties.

239 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND POLICIES

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

- Full Council 4th September 2018
- General Purposes Committee 4th September 2018
- Estates Committee 11th September 2018
- Finance Committee 11th September 2018

240 INDUSTRIAL MUSEUM

Malcolm MacDonald attended on behalf of the Kidwelly Industrial Museum Trust and gave a summary of its history and historical importance. About 3 thousand visitors a year visit the site. He also explained the current situation He stated that the museum had been purchased by the former Llanelli Borough Council and subsequently leased to the Museum Trust to enable the site to operate and attract grant funding. The museum is closed as the county council will no longer finance staff to run it and extensive work is needed to make safe the Headframe and the chimney stack – at a cost of over £400k. A consultant has been engaged to report on options available and should complete the study by February 2019. It was recognised that volunteers to assist at the museum are urgently needed and joint working with the community and research into grant funding will be necessary.

It was **RESOLVED** to write to the county council and ask what action will be taken to ensure the future of the museum.

Matters arising from Full Council on 11th September 2018

241 HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE

One Voice Wales held a Workshop on Housing Co-operatives on 4th July. The town clerk negotiated arrangements for six delegates.

242 COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT

A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed and the project is going ahead. A meeting will be held on 15th October 2018. A survey of the land has been carried out. An ecological study is being undertaken. The possibility of installing electrical charge points in Kidwelly is being considered.

243 LICENSING MAYOR'S PARLOUR AS WEDDING VENUE

It was suggested that the new Phase 2 premises and possibly Mynydd y Garreg Hall could be licensed for weddings. The cost would be £1,200 for 3 rooms for 3 years. It was noted that a full and detailed business plan would be needed before proceeding. It was previously **RESOLVED** to investigate the issues involved.

244 GWENLLIAN CENTRE – FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

The town council owns the community hall, which is run by a trust. If the trust collapses the council will inherit all liabilities and responsibilities for running the everyday activities. It was previously agreed that a plan for the future development of the hall was needed. The town clerk, and mayor have met with the hall trustees to commence this initiative. A further meeting will be arranged.

245 PROMOTION OF WELSH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

It was agreed to move forward with policies which reflect the promotion of the Welsh language and culture. The bi-lingual website and translation will be commenced as soon as possible. The town clerk will ensure that it is compliant with current legislation. A Welsh Language Promotion meeting was held in Carmarthen Library on 15th September 2018.

246 BOUNDARY COMMISSION

A Draft proposals Report "*Review of the Electoral Arrangements of the County of Carmarthenshire*" has been received. Consultation ends on 27th November 2018. It is proposed to merge Kidwelly's voting wards with part of St Ishmael's. A meeting of Full Council will be called on 30th October 2018 to discuss the issues involved if an officer of the county council can attend.

247 PHASE 2 REPORT

The estates officer was unable to attend so it was **RESOLVED** that the matter be deferred until 9th October 2018. Councillors A.Jenkins and J.Gilasbey wished it noted that they were displeased at this delay. The town clerk indicated that the matter was scheduled for discussion on 11th September 2018 when all staff were present but members had instigated the delay as they wished to have more time to consider the issues. Note and **Close** this item.

248 DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY PARKS

The Co-op Pioneer has expressed concern over the lack of facilities in the parks recently taken over by the town council. Various options for developing the parks were considered. It was agreed that play equipment was necessary but also benches and other such items would benefit all members of the community who use the parks. It was recognised that working with community groups was essential. Enhancement of Parc Stephens will be undertaken initially, with a rolling programme of improvements for other parks. A focus will be put onto ensuring disabled access to all activity areas. The Co-op Pioneer has indicated that Mencap has expressed an interest in the project. It was **RESOLVED** to invite a representative of Mencap and, if possible, a grants officer from the county council, to Full Council on 6th November 2018.

249 COMMUNITY HALLS

Members were reminded that written reports are required.

Mynydd Hall – A written report had been received. It was noted that e-mails from the town clerk to the hall regarding comments made by Cllr L.Jones and also proposals for a meeting of council members and trustees had not been received. They will be re-sent and a meeting arranged.

Gwenllian Hall – No report had been received.

250 REPORTS FROM SCHOOL GOVERNORS, YOUTH COUNCIL, OTHER REPRESENTATIVES

Members were reminded that written reports are required.

Schools – Members were informed that both Ysgol y Castell and Ysgol Gwenllian have been included in the county council's Modernising Education Programme and new buildings are planned. An Open Evening will be held at each school to inform the public about the projects. Ysgol Gwenllian on Monday 15th October 2018 and Ysgol y Castell on Tuesday 16th October 2018. Both events will run between 5.00 and 7.00pm.

The Hub – The creative hub will be opening on Saturday 6th October 2018. The Pop Up Market will also be running.

251 MAYOR'S DIARY / FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

DATE	APPOINTMENT	
2 nd October 2018	Full Council and General Purposes Committee	6.30pm
7 th October 2018	Laugharne Corporation Breakfast and Divine Service	9.00am
9 th October 2018	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm
17 th October 2018	Glan-y-Môr Prize Evening	6.30pm
26 th October 2018	Halloween Fancy Dress Family Party, Mynyddygarreg	6.30pm

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

DATE	APPOINTMENT	
2 nd November 2018	Llanelli Great War Annual Lecture	6.00pm
6 th November 2018	Full Council & Policy & Strategy Committee	6.30pm
11 th November 2018	Remembrance Sunday	9.45am
13 th November 2018	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm
20 th November 2018	Budget Setting	6.30pm

252 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2018

1	Ty Golau	A thank you letter has been received for the donation given to the organisation. Note and Close this item.
2	CCC	A request for Code of Conduct data has been received. Members were reminded of the importance of training and providing updated Declarations of Interest forms. Note and Close this item.
3	Grant Thornton	External Auditors reported that in 2018-19 they will be focusing on compliance with Standing Orders and Delegation to Committees. Note and Close this item.