

## KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2020

At the **VIRTUAL** meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Present	Town Mayor	D.Lloyd-Waterford
	Deputy Mayor	A.Jenkins
	Councillors	J.Gilasbey, J.Bezant, J.James, C.Peters, C.Peters-Bond, G.Beer, P.Thompson
	Town Clerk	V. O'Reilly
	Estates Officer	Mark Stephens
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Admin. Assist.	Owain Davies
Apologies	Councillors	J.Mayne
No apologies		C.Davies

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

Minute 203 [5] – Councillor A.Jenkins declared an interest.

Minutes 196, 200, 203 – Councillor J.Gilasbey declared an interest. Did not speak or vote.

### **190 ESTATES OFFICER REPORT**

The estates officer had provided a written report which was considered. Items noted:-

#### Benches at Mynydd y Garreg

3 benches for Mynydd y Garreg Hall have been delivered and are awaiting installation. Cofeb Graf area has been sprayed with weedkiller.

#### Tanyffynnon – flooding

It was **RESOLVED** to clear the whole length of the ditch. Work has been completed with an additional cost of £700 due to unforeseen problems.

#### Pear Technology

Mapping programme for OS map access will be purchased. This will enable all council land assets to be digitally mapped – including cemetery plots. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase the software at a cost of £2605.

#### Bins

Large additional bins are required for Parc Stephens and the Quay. It was reported that the county council had no dual purpose bins available. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase 2 general waste (£478 each) and 2 recycling bins (£517 each).

#### 24 Station Road

The property is vacant and empty. Architectural drawings are in draft format. House viewing will be arranged for members. The estates officer will carry out an assessment of options:- sale as it is, costs to restore for rental, rental income to be expected. The county council and a housing association have been approached as a leasing option. A community shop could be considered. A valuation will be carried out.

### Phase 2 tree surgery

Work scheduled for the bridleway will be suspended. Additional work is needed at Glan yr Afon. The tree at 24 Station Road needs pollarding. A replacement tree for the rotten ash tree in Plough Gardens will be considered as it will be needed for Christmas lighting. The county councillor will supply a list of all trees with ash die back that are scheduled for removal by the county council.

### Japanese Knotweed

All known knotweed sites have been sprayed.

### LDP consultation

The LDP closing date has been extended and the estates officer has submitted further details relating to the Brynhefin candidate site.

### Plot at Llynfawr Lane

A request to rent land adjacent to GL19 has been received. Boundaries will be laid out before tendering can take place.

### Network Rail

Network Rail requires car parking space for its staff while working on the railway bridge over the river; also access at the quay to launch a safety boat. Discussions are proceeding.

### Additional items reported

Glan yr Afon - Fence is rotten: Dog fouling sign are to be put up.

Mynydd mountain – reports of bikers – signs to be erected indicating BOATs

## **Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

### **191 CEMETERY**

Phase 1 - The fence along Ferry Road has rotted and is dangerous. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase replacement high quality rot proof fencing at a cost of £3134.03 inc VAT. This has been ordered. 4 contractors have been requested to submit quotes, no response. Further requests will be made.

### **192 REGISTRATION OF LAND AT MYNYDD PLAY AREA**

The council solicitor has indicated that the unregistered area of land cannot be claimed by the town council as proof of use has not been proven. The asset transfer documents will be scrutinised to determine whether possessory title of this area was included in the transaction.

### **193 LAND NEAR 27 HOREB ROAD – PURCHASE OF H3**

The sale of the land has been completed. Note and **Close** this item.

### **194 H19 H15 A12- RENT REVIEW – *in camera***

This matter was held *in camera* because of its commercially sensitive nature. A valuation is being determined. A response from the other parties involved is still awaited. The estates officer will pursue this.

### **195 ANIMAL HOUSING ON GL20**

The estates officer had previously carried out a site visit and prepared a report addressing the issues arising from housing pigs on the land. It was noted that retrospective planning will be needed to formalise the buildings already erected. Planning will be required for the additional building requested. The tenant had responded stating that he was awaiting a planning opinion. The matter was deferred until further information has been received and the tenant's response has been considered.

### **196 HISTORY SHED EXPERIENCE**

The council has agreed in principal to support the venture, which is recognised as a valuable asset to the town. A plan of the proposed location has been put onto the website and the site physically staked out so that residents can identify where the buildings will be erected. It was previously **RESOLVED** to draw up a draft lease which will be necessary when seeking grant funding for the project and will also assist in the planning process. A pre-planning application has been submitted and will be made available to members.

### **197 KEEP WALES TIDY**

Keep Wales Tidy project – flower planters with trellis have been placed in the town square. Bird feeders and associated items are to be located nearby.

### **198 BLACK CAT SCULPTURE**

The sculpture has been incorporated into the Coastal Communities project bid which will include other heritage items for consideration. For future clarity this item will be re-named “Coastal Communities Project”

### **199 SKATE BOARD PARK**

A request for a skate board park has been received. It was previously **RESOLVED**, in principal, to support the project. It had been noted that there is money in the budget for parks development which could be used, in part, for match funding provided that an officially constituted group of skate park users be formed to manage the project and work with the council. The estates officer has meet with those involved and identified land that could be used – play areas at Water Street and Ger y Gwendraeth. Members were informed that residents of Ger y Gwendraeth had objections to use of land near their homes. Two further sites are possible and will be considered, the rear of the Gwenllian Centre and part of Parc Stephens.

### **200 BRIDLEWAY TRANSFER – YSGOL GWENLLIAN DEVELOPMENT**

The county council wishes to add the footprint of part of the bridleway (11/31a) to the school development site. Planning permission for the new school will not be approved unless this is done. Various options were considered. 1. A land swop 2. Leasing the land 3. Selling the land to the county council for £1. Discussion revealed that the county council would prefer a 25 year lease arrangement. It was agreed that the estates officer pursue the land swop option, requesting transfer of the land adjacent to the new quay car park.

### **201 CASTLE LIGHTING**

It was previously **RESOLVED** to purchase 14 Samsung 300 watt 24000 lumens at a cost of £3290. 11 of the protective cages need attention at a cost of £960. Star Forge has commenced the refurbishment.

### **202 AGRICULTURAL TENDERS**

There were no tenders to consider.

### **203 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

	Ref	Type	Proposed development	Location	Applicant
1	PL/00425	Full	Construction of stables for private use.	Bryn Glas, Kidwelly	Susannah Nolan
2	PL/00321	Full	Proposed extension of existing caravan site	Waungadog, Stockwell Lane, Kidwelly	D Dalziel
3	PL/00096	Full	2 No. Proposed single storey extensions.	Capel Sul, Kidwelly, SA17 4UU	Leigh Hipkiss Education Centre Pwll Road Llanelli
4	PL/00361	Listed building consent	2 No. Proposed single storey extensions	Capel Sul, Kidwelly, SA17 4UU	Leigh Hipkiss Education Centre Pwll Road Llanelli
5	PL/00535	Full	Advertisement signage	Gravells Garage Pembrey Rod Kidwelly	Jonathan Gravell

It was agreed to support each of these applications.

### **204 REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

There were no referrals.

### **205 CORRESPONDENCE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2020**

There was no correspondence not dealt with above. Note and **Close** this item.