

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

3rd NOVEMBER 2020

At the **VIRTUAL MEETING** of the **FULL COUNCIL** held on Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 6.30pm.

Present	Town Mayor	D. Lloyd-Waterford
	Deputy Mayor	A.Jenkins
	Councillors	J. Gilasbey, J. Mayne, J.Bezant, J.James, C.Davies, G.Beer
	Town Clerk	Virginia O'Reilly
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Admin Assist.	Owain Davies
Apologies	Councillors	C.Peters, C.Peters-Bond, P.Thompson

Rev. Trevor Copeland attended and gave prayers before the commencement of the meeting.

217 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 229 – Councillors J.Gilasbey and A Jenkins declared an interest.

218 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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

- Full Council 6th October 2020
- Policy & Resources Committee 6th October 2020
- Estates Committee 13th October 2020
- Finance Committee 13th October 2020

219 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The report had been circulated and was accepted. It was noted that the newsagent had agreed to instal Telemat and the Factory Shop is awaiting head office approval. Cadw will be approached again and the assistance of the county council will be sought.

Members were reminded to supply details of training they had undertaken and were requested to activate their council e-mail addresses. Personal e-mail addresses will not be used after 10th November 2020.

Matters arising from Full Council on 6th October 2020

220 COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT – G.V.E.C.

Information from Carmarthen Energy has been received regarding installation of solar panels onto rooftops. This information has been passed onto G.V.E.C. and other parties involved.

221 INDUSTRIAL MUSEUM

The museum is to have a new status by becoming a C.I.O. a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. It is hoped that this will encourage new trustees to be appointed. No timescale for opening the museum has been contemplated as so much work needs to be done to make the site safe. The town clerk will meet with the County Archivist regarding future storage of town council artifacts.

222 VACANCY OF MACE BEARER

An advertisement has been placed on the council website and on social media sites. An article could be written outlining the historical importance of this ancient position and published in the press.

223 YOUTH REPRESENTATION

It was previously **RESOLVED** to agree, in principal, to appoint 2 youth representatives to the town council. They would be allowed to speak but not vote. Cllr P. Thompson had previously presented a report which explained the options available and outlined criteria for recruitment. Information received from local councils who have youth representatives will be circulated.

224 LAND AT CLOS YR ONNEN

An area of land at Clos yr Onnen, in the ownership of the housing developers, has now been cleared and drainage installed. The developers wish to transfer the land, free of charge, with absolute title, to the town council. Residents' views are unclear as to the future usage of the land. A meeting with community representatives was held on 18th February 2020. A further meeting will be arranged at the end of lockdown. The developers will be invited to attend. A flyer promoting this meeting will be hand delivered. Maps and information contained in a land survey will be available.

225 OUTSOURCING OF PROJECT OFFICER

The need for attracting grant funding for various projects in the town was recognised. A self-employed project officer will be sought, payment for services being taken as a percentage of any grant procured. One individual has been identified. A Visioning Day will be arranged to consult with residents as to their views regarding the future of the town and its environs.

226 COMMUNITY HALLS AND ORGANISATIONS

No activity reported due to Pandemic lockdown. It was noted that virtual meetings of many organisations have been taking place. Mynydd Hall trustees will meet on 16th November 2020. Minutes will be circulated.

227 CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quote of £3,500 inc VAT from R.T.Electrics for replacement and additional Christmas festoons and lamppost decorations. It was further **RESOLVED** to display the large Santa and Snowman on fencing at Plough Gardens and light this area using the existing electricity supply.

228 PRINCESS GWENLLIAN CENTRE – FUTURE GOVERNANCE

The centre remains closed. Geldarts, solicitors specialising in Charity Law have been requested to advise the council on its legal position regarding the hall constitution, the lease, the relationship with the Charity Commission and the legal position of all parties and individuals involved. A response is awaited.

Councillor Beer, who is a trustee was advised to request dispensation to speak at council meetings.

The hall has been given information on grant funding.

229 COASTAL COMMUNITIES – FUNDING BID

A virtual consultation meeting will be held on 4th November 2020. Over 70 individuals have registered. The deadline for the Stage 2 submission is 6th November 2020. It was **RESOLVED** to pay the consultant fees of £900 to prepare the planning applications required.

230 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

The report had been circulated. It was noted that 2 re-cycling containers had been removed from the Co-op site because all such items were now collected from domestic properties. Volunteers are needed for the Go Safe initiative.

231 MAYOR’S DIARY / FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DATE	APPOINTMENT	
	No events due to Pandemic lockdown	

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

DATE	APPOINTMENT	
03.11.20	Full Council and Policy & Resources Committee	6.30pm
10.11.20	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm
17.11.20	Budget setting	6.30pm
01.12.20	Full Council and Policy & Resources Committee	6.30pm
08.12.20	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm

232 EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT - 2019-2020

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the External Auditor’s Report for year end 31 March 2020. Member were informed that the third draft budget 2021-2022 would be circulated by the end of the week and were requested to present comments to the office before the Finance Committee meeting of 10th November 2020.

Note and **Close** this item.

233 CORRESPONDENCE – October/November 2020

1	C.C.C.	Arrangements for the annual canvass for the Register of Electors have been received and circulated. Note and Close this item
2	Welfare Committee	A request to use Glan yr Afon as a site for Carnival 2021 has been received. A site visit will be arranged. This matter was referred to the Estates Committee. Note and Close this item.
3	Tegwen Burns	A request for traffic calming measures along St Ishmael’s Road has been received and passed to the county councillor for action. Note and Close this item.