

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

2nd NOVEMBER 2021

At the **VIRTUAL MEETING** of the **FULL COUNCIL** held on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 at 6.30pm.

Present	Town Mayor	C.Peters-Bond
	Deputy Mayor	C.Peters
	Councillors	J. Gilasbey, J.Bezant, J.James, C.Morgan, G.Beer D.Lloyd-Waterford, Anne Gilley, A.Jenkins, C.Davies
	Town Clerk	
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Admin Assist.	Owain Davies
Apologies	Councillors	

Members of the public present:- Adrian Davies, Joan Dibble, Jennifer Smith, Wendy Houston, Geraint Richards

It was **RESOLVED** that in the absence of the town clerk, the town secretary would deputise for the duration of this meeting.

235 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 251 (4) – Councillor J.James declared an interest.

236 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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

- Full Council 5th October 2021
- Policy & Community Development 5th October 2021
- Estates Committee 12th October 2021
- Finance Committee 12th October 2021

237 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The town clerk had circulated a written report which was accepted.

Matters arising from Full Council on 5th October 2021

238 PRINCESS GWENLLIAN CENTRE – FUTURE GOVERNANCE

It was **RESOLVED** to hold this item “*camera*” due to the sensitive commercial issues involved. Members were informed that the present trust would dissolve on 5th November 2021 and the building would revert to the town council. Expression of Interest documents to invite organisations to tender for the management have been publicised. It was **RESOLVED** that the date for acceptance of expressions of interest be extended to 6th December 2021.

239 INDUSTRIAL MUSEUM

The museum is to have a new status by becoming a C.I.O. a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. New trustees are being sought. A meeting has been scheduled with all parties attending in an effort to resolve the current problems. The community should be informed of the outcome of the meeting. Cllr A.Jenkins wished it noted that distress had been caused by the length of time the museum had been closed and its resulting negative effect on the town and tourism.

240 YSGOL MYNYDD Y GARREG

The county council intend to close Ysgol Mynydd y Garreg, transferring pupils to the newly built Ysgol Gwenllian. Governor and community meetings have been held to support retention of the school. The consultation phase has been extended.

241 GER Y GWENDRAETH PARK

£30k has been set aside in the budget for this playground and seating area. The equipment has been ordered. Installation start date has been delayed until 15th November 2021 due to wet weather conditions. Fencing issues will be referred to the Estates Committee.

242 LEASE FOR THE HISTORY SHED EXPERIENCE

The planning application is in the consultation phase. The county council will handle the consultation process. If the application is successful a lease will be drawn up.

243 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

The report had been circulated, items noted, and was accepted. Additional items discussed:- Go Safe Programme and the Growth Plan team action plan.

244 COMMUNITY HALLS AND ORGANISATIONS

Mynydd hall meeting was held on 1st November 2021. Minutes are awaited. Mynydd events: 5th November 2021, Fireworks – safety marshals needed, 11th December 2021, Christmas Fayre, January 2022 St Dwynwen event. A lottery grant to refurbish the bar has been received. Work will be carried out after the leak in the roof has been repaired.

245 MAYOR'S DIARY / FORTHCOMING EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APPOINTMENT</u>	
1 st November 2021	Mynyddygarreg Hall Trustees Meeting	6.30pm
2 nd November 2021	Full Council and Policy and Community Development Committee	6.30pm
4 th November 2021	Llanelli Town Council's Charity Evening	6.30pm
5 th November 2021	Mynyddygarreg Hall Fireworks	6.00pm
9 th November 2021	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm
12 th November 2021	Llanelli Rural Council's Charity Evening	6.30pm
16 th November 2021	Budget Setting	6.30pm
25 th November 2021	Christmas Lighting ceremony	6.00pm
26 th November 2021	Rotary Club of Pembrey and Burry Port 50th Charter Dinner	

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

<u>DATE</u>		
02.11.21	Full Council and Policy & Community Development Committee	6.30pm
09.11.21	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm
30.11.21	Budget Setting	6.30pm
07.12.21	Full Council and Policy & Community Development Committee	6.30pm
14.12.21	Estates and Finance Committees	6.30pm

246 STANDING ORDERS

Standing Orders 1.3 1.4 1.5 were considered. These deal with procedures relating to the attendance of the public at meetings and the necessity of making timely requests to speak. It was noted that there is a need to communicate more effectively with local residents and make them aware of council activities and contact details. It was **RESOLVED** not to alter the Standing Orders. Note and **Close** this item.

247 REPAIRS TO MAYORAL CHAIN

It was **RESOLVED** to send the Mayoral Chain to Fattorini for repair. Note and **Close** this item.

248 FLOODING ISSUES

Further incidents of flooding have occurred, with multiple incidents of damage to homes and property. Insurance cost have become exorbitant resulting in many being unprotected. Residents live in fear of further floods. It was recognised that a multi agency approach is needed with improved communications, infrastructure needs adapting, a town flood survey is urgent and an effective drain maintenance programme needs to be implemented.

Mr Adrian Davies had requested to speak about the problems and fears experience by the residents of Ferry Road and other areas. He stated that the flooding is partly due to the lack of flood prevention measures taken by local landowners. He requested sight of the county council flood report when it is available.

An update of flood defence work was given by the county councillor who has arranged for the county council Flood Defence Manager and heads of Highways and Environment to attend the estates committee meeting on 9th November 2021. She is also arranging a public consultation as soon as possible.

It was **RESOLVED** that the town council facilitate a flood action group to enable the flooding problems to be alleviated as a matter of extreme urgency.

249 DEVELOPMENT OF TOWN SQUARE

A meeting with designers will be held on 3rd November 2021 to discuss plans for the square. These will be submitted to the estates committee for consideration.

250 BUDGET 2022-23

A fourth draft of the budget had been circulated. The Finance Chair will meet with the town clerk on 10th November 2021. The Budget Setting meeting scheduled for 17th November 2021 will be postponed until 30th November 2021.

251 CORRESPONDENCE – OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2021

1	Mothers' Union	Councillors are invited to participate in a 3 minute silence during the Global Day of Action on 27 th November 2021. This is part of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. Note and Close this item.
2	Julie Frisher	Council Strategy for Climate change – referred to the Policy and Community Development Committee. Note and Close this item.
3	Heike Griffiths	Request for flood gates for properties. This will be considered as part of the overall flood defences under consideration. Note and Close this item.
4	Cllr June James	Members were informed of the newly constituted group – Kidwelly Action Sports Park Association – it is seeking funding to develop a skate park and pump track. This matter will be considered further by the Estates committee. Note and Close this item.