

## KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

**4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

At the Hybrid **MEETING** of the **FULL COUNCIL** held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6.30pm.

Present	Town Mayor	C.Peters
	Deputy Mayor	J.James
	Councillors	J. Gilasbey, C.Morgan, C.Peters-Bond, G.Beer, G.Bras, H.Griffiths, S.Ratty, J.Tarsnane, J.Westlake, A.Herbert
	Town Clerk	Virginia O'Reilly
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
Apologies	Admin Assist.	Owain Davies
	Councillors	D.Lloyd-Waterford, C.Davies, E.Reeves-Davies, E.Davies

Canon Witt attended and gave thanks for the life of Queen Elizabeth 11.

It was noted that Standing Orders require members to stand when they wish to speak. Any change to this protocol would need amendment to Standing Orders.

The presentation by the Twinning Association was deferred. The mayor expressed concerns over miscommunication that may have occurred and he will contact the chair of the association directly.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

### **134 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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

- Full Council 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Policy & Community Development 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Estates Committee 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Finance Committee 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022

### **135 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

The report had been circulated and was accepted. Noted:- The Telemat engineer has failed to turn up. Councillor Gilasbey volunteered to open up premises for his inspection.

### **Matters arising from Full Council on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

### **136 PRINCESS GWENLLIAN CENTRE – FUTURE GOVERNANCE**

The Nurture Centre is unable to take over the lease of the hall at present. Various options for future management are being investigated. Setting up a charity will be considered, as a charity would be exempt from the non-domestic council tax charge of £63k. It had been recognised that the current operation is functioning well. It was previously agreed to keep the status quo until the end of March 2023.

### **137 DEVELOPMENT OF TOWN SQUARE**

Concept designs had been prepared and put on view at the Co-op and town square. The architect had attended both sites and had been available for consultations. Comment slips had been made available to the public. A final plan was previously agreed and resolved to send for planning permission.

### **138 BLACK CAT TOURISM STRATEGY REPORT**

A report is awaited. It was recognised that a full analysis of the strategy as a whole and its present outcomes is required along with the financial position after the festival. Financial data held by the council was circulated. Data from the Hub will be analysed and put into a compatible format. It was acknowledged that the lack of a full financial report was unacceptable. The benefit to local businesses needs to be quantified. Reimbursement for hours worked by council staff will be sought.

A special Strategy De-briefing Meeting will be held when all data has been received. A meeting with the Lottery Officer will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

### **139 PHOTOGRAPH OF FULL COUNCIL**

It is customary for a photograph of councillors to be taken for display in the Council Chamber. This has taken place. Note and **Close** this item.

### **140 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**

County councillor C.Davies did not attend was unable to provide a written report. It was agreed that our second councillor Lewis Davies should be asked to attend Kidwelly Full Council to introduce himself to members. It was felt that both councillors should offer joint working arrangements in both areas so provide a diversity which would benefit Kidwelly and Ferryside. Written reports should be provided for each Full Council.

### **141 COMMUNITY HALLS SCHOOLS AND ORGANISATIONS**

**Mynydd hall:** The trustee's meeting was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022. The Beer Festival attracted 210 people, taking £3,700 with £2,000 profit. Forthcoming events:- 28<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween party, 5<sup>th</sup> November Fireworks night, 27<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Craft Fayre. Volunteers for these events would be very welcome.

**Welfare Committee:** Carnival 2022, £8705 income, £7500 expenditure, 1700 attendees. Next year's carnival will be bigger with more street acts. Council donation needs to increase. Future location will not be affected by the History Shed Experience.

**Llanelli Rural and Police meeting:** Concerns were expressed over incidents at the town toilets and in Parc Stephens. Police attended Kidwelly market and will have a contact stall where they can provide police information. Minutes will be circulated.

**Sensory Garden:** The Green Flag award has been erected.

**Common Ground:** Trees in Glan yr Afon are being cleared.

### **MAYOR'S DIARY / FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APPOINTMENT</u>	
01/10/2022	Kidwelly Market @ Princess Gwenllian Centre	9:00 – 2:00
03/10/2022	Mynyddygarreg Hall Trustees Meeting	6.30
04/10/2022	Full Council and Policy/Community Development Committee	6:30
11/10/2022	Estates and Finance Committees	6:30
13/10/2022	Mrs Mair Morgan's 100th birthday	10:00
13/10/2022	Llanelli Town Council, Mayor's Curry Charity Evening	6:30

## **FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>		
01/11/2022	Full Council and Policy and Community Development Committee	6:30
08/11/2022	Estates and Finance Committees	6:30
14/11/2022	Llanelli Festival of Light	6:00
15/11/2022	Budget Setting	6:30
24/11/2022	Christmas Lighting event	6:00

### **143 RESIGNATION OF HALBERDIER**

It was reported, with regret, that Halberdier Meirion Lewis has resigned. A formal letter of thanks will be sent. It was acknowledged that Mr Lewis had carried out his duties diligently and with great respect for the traditions of the town. For many years he has travelled considerable distances, accompanied by Mrs Barbara Lewis, to attend events at Kidwelly and at the Lord Mayor's Show in London. His presence will be missed.

The role of Halberdier in the town's history was recognised. Three vacancies exist, along with the position of Mace Bearer. It was **RESOLVED** that as these are usually hereditary appointments, family members of the existing role holders will be contacted with a view to becoming Halberdiers or Mace Bearer. Councillor A.Herbert has agreed to be Mae Bearer until the position can be formally adopted.

### **144 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022**

1	Nurture	A proposal to hold a pantomime in the Gwenllian Centre at a cost of £700 has been received. A request for the council to underwrite this event has been made. Only if the production company is local, will the request be considered. Referred to Finance Committee. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.
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