

**CYNGOR TREF LLANFAIRFECHAN TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FULL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on Wednesday 4TH December 2019 in the Council Chamber at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Councillors: Chair – Mayor Delohne Merrell; Deputy Mayor Penny Andow; Cllr Carol Gell; Cllr Andrew Hinchliff; Cllr Claire Hughes; Cllr Chris Jones: Cllr Nia Jones; Cllr Iolo Kars Jones; Cllr Gareth Wyn Jones; Cllr Christine Roberts; Cllr Gareth Roberts; Town Clerk & RFO: Jayne Neal

229. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Alan Jones; Cllr Glenn Robinson

RESOLVED to receive and take note

230. TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF COUNCILLOR’S INTEREST – Code of Local Government Conduct (Members are reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of their declared personal interest).

Name of Member	Agenda No	Details of Personal interests Details of the Council business to which it relates	Withdraw /Take Part
Cllr Andrew Hinchliff	13	CCBC Planning Committee	Take part

RESOLVED to receive and take note

231. TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Cartrefi Conwy representatives - Gwynne Jones, Managing Director, Owain Roberts Asset and Development Partner and Emyr Hughes Neighbourhood Co-ordinator will be in attendance to discuss matters at Maes Glanarfon.

Several residents from Maes Glanarfon attended the meeting and were involved in discussions.

Gwynne Jones thanked the Town Council for his invite to attend and explained that he was there in the capacity of his role on the Cartrefi Executive Management Team. Cartrefi were disappointed to receive the letter from Town Council as they believe they have a good record as a social landlord. They are committed to resolving the problems at Maes Glanarfon and are keen to work in partnership with the residents. The main issues were summarised as follows:

1. Heating and water temperatures within the building
2. Communal bin areas and problems with cleanliness
3. Anti-social behaviour around the property

In response to point 1, an independent report had been sought from BRE and Cartrefi are awaiting report recommendations (due to be received before the end of the year). This will inform any work to rectify the heating problems at the building. It was reported that the caretaker Andy has been brilliant in trying to address the problem of dog fouling and the cleanliness of the bin area. However, there is still concerns about the bins. Although many residents comply with expectation about recycling and waste, there are some who do not recycle food, and this causes a problem in the main bins. Owain Roberts suggested that partnership work could take place to educate these residents and improve recycling rates. Cartrefi have installed extra CCTV and fencing to address levels of anti-social behaviour and the situation is being monitored. A handrail is due to be fitted by the end of January. Residents have requested that a road mirror be fitted on Penmaenmawr Road to help with turning into the road. Town Clerk to chase up permissions from CCBC.

PCSO Sara reported that there have been several reports of anti-social behaviour and NWP have attended. Behaviour Contracts have been issued and work is ongoing with those individuals. It was noted that Cartrefi and the partnership agencies make every effort to help residents to improve their behaviour as removing a tenancy is seen as a very last option. It was pointed out there is a warning about substance misuse in resident contracts and it is important that clear warnings are given.

Question - County Councillor noted that he had been in touch with Emyr Hughes on many occasions, raising the concerns of the residents. There has been ongoing concern about the heat levels in cold water – will this issue be addressed by the BRE report. Would individual boilers not have been better?

Owain responded that all matters regarding the system have been investigated and he is hoping the BBRE report will offer solutions. A full analysis was undertaken before it was determined that one boiler was the best option and least intrusive for residents.

Resident report that he has only ever put on his heating a handful of times as his flat is so unbearably hot; last year, he was hospitalised with dehydration.

Resident point – thank you for meeting about this matter. Picking up on the cold-water issue, tests showed that taps had to be run for 3-5 minutes before water runs cold and upper floor taps never run cold. This is unacceptable. Andy the caretaker has been exceptional and has addressed problems so that some of the cleanliness issues have improved, but the bins are still a concern. Partnership work has taken place to improve recycling rates already and the resident is not convinced this will improve in the future as there is a hardcore of residents who do not comply. Clarification that the viewing panel for the entrance system has not been fixed so residents cannot see who is calling.

Heating charges still need to be looked at – the shared cost is unfair on those who do not use the heating at all.

Owain confirmed that cold water readings were within range. He confirmed residents are only charged for what has been consumed and that the payment system will be reconsidered. He reassured that Cartrefi are committed to working in partnership to resolve the problems. An environmental clean could be added to address the problems with the bins but this would incur extra costs so they would prefer and education and engagement approach first.

Resident point that they feel as though they are pestering to get things done.

Owain responded that, as landlords, there is a duty to provide homes that are comfortable, and they pride themselves on providing quality housing. It was accepted that communication had been lacking over the last 2.5 years and there is a resolution to do better.

Cartrefi are keen to set up a Tenants Association at Maes Glanarfon and a first meeting is called for 16th December at 4:30pm in the Split Willow. All residents are welcome and Mayor Delohne Merrell and Cllr Carol Gell will attend as representatives of the Town Council. **RESOLVED to receive and take note**

232. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE FULL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 20 NOVEMBER 2019

Proposed Cllr N Jones Seconded Cllr C Roberts Unanimous RESOLVED to approve and take note

233. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES AND TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE TOWN COUNCIL ACTION LIST

1. County Councillor Pandy Ward reported a planned Ward Audit on Monday 9th December meeting at the Council Chamber 10:30am
2. Library meeting has not been called yet – Clerk to action
3. Foodbank will be part of precept decision on next agenda **RESOLVED to receive and take note**

234. TO RECEIVE REPORT ON CCBC PADDLING POOL, DISCUSS AND APPROVE PLANS

A Clerk's report was distributed. Councillors were very unhappy with the level of cost proposed by CCBC. Clerk to query breakdown of costs and point out there is no pump on our paddling pool and no evidence that staff were checking the pool on a daily basis. **RESOLVED to receive and take note**

235. TO DISCUSS 2019 SANTA DASH AND APPROVE MEDALS AND GANTRY

Clerk reported that costs had been sought for gantry and have been found to be over £1000. Active Llan have suggested start and finish flags that are £80 each so a more affordable option. Medals have been saved from last year so only £100 worth are need this year. It was agreed Town Council would pay for these items and that the nominated charity should be Llanfairfechan Foodbank

Proposed Cllr G Wyn Jones Seconded Cllr N Jones Unanimous RESOLVED to approve and take note

236. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT NOVEMBER 2019/20

Firework event report had been received so Project Worker payment can now be made

237. TO RECEIVE PETTY CASH STATEMENT NOVEMBER 2019/20

Clerk noted an amendment to petty cash. Only £50 had been added and so totals were adjusted.

Proposed Cllr C Hughes Seconded Cllr C Roberts Unanimous RESOLVED to approve and take note

238. TO RECEIVE INCOME FROM:

Llanfairfechan Community Hall reimbursement £3857.55 RESOLVED to receive and take note

239. TO APPROVE PAYMENTS TO:

1. Wales Audit Office External Audit	£296.65
2. Dŵr Cymru	£14.80
3. Cllr Childcare	£48.12
4. Sional Fireworks banner	£36.00
5. Sional Fluro coats (grant funded)	£117.60
6. Penmon Pottery (wood for mosaic)	£45.31
7. Mayor's Allowance cheque – NWCR	£100.00
8. Mayor's Firework Fund cheque – Llanfairfechan Foodbank	£339.59
9. Reimbursement Town Clerk – food	£50.00
10. Fireworks Event - Fizzy Pickle projects	£1500.00
11. Delwedd webhosting	£719.26

Proposed Cllr C Hughes Seconded Cllr C Roberts Unanimous RESOLVED to approve and take note

240. TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE PLANNING MATTERS:

1. 0/46725 notification of withdrawal

2. ENF/2018/3687/NOTICE3

No observations. For information only

14. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE FROM:

1. Tai Teg Affordable Housing Register

Clerk to share information with residents and scan and email to Councillors

RESOLVED to receive and take note

241. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES ON BEHALF OF TOWN COUNCIL.

1. Future Llanfairfechan Information Exchange Thursday 21st November

Report was distributed thanks to Haf Jones from CCBC for preparing the information. It was noted there was very positive feedback about the meeting and a review meeting is booked for Friday 6th December to discuss next steps.

2. Llanfairfechan Paddling Pool information meeting Thursday 28th November

Already been discussed

Please note: Car Parks information meeting Tuesday 10th December at 10am – all Councillors welcome

RESOLVED to receive and take note

242. TO RECEIVE COMPLAINTS/CONCERNS/COMPLIMENTS

1. Compliments were given on the work of the Town Council during the past year. The message getting across that we are here for the benefit of the village. Good job done by all

2. Congratulations to Light up Llan for another great event. In these times its important we pull together all the resources and use them the best way possible. Foodbank also doing a great job

3. Barbed wire fence is down by the church field. It seems the horses lean against it and bring it down. Clerk to email church to report it.

4. Pathway by Pen y Bryn and areas around Pen y Bryn are slippy with leaves. Clerk reported that James is dealing with the fallen leaves but it's a bit of a stretch to cover all areas. He will be onto this path as soon as possible. It was noted that it is important for residents to take responsibility for their own

5. Confirmation about Nant y Berllan skip – Clerk to email dates

6. Question about the equity in policies with regards to regulatory services when buildings are damaged or unsafe. The Co-op building has been a concern for many months, yet other householders are targeted quickly

7. Reports about lighting in Gorwel and on the A55 have been reported along with an email to chase up the bus shelter again.

RESOLVED to receive and take note

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ENDED AT 8:30pm AND REPRESENTATIVES OF GRANT RECIPIENTS WERE WELCOMED TO RECEIVE THEIR FUNDING FOR 2019/2020. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A CELEBRATION SOCIAL WITH REFRESHMENTS

Grant recipients 2019/20:

1. Ysgol Pant y Rhedyn Urdd Subscriptions	£1168.00
2. Ysgol Babanod Urdd Subscriptions	£1128.00
3. Saturplay	£120.00
4. Llanfairfechan Community Players	£200.00
5. Llanfairfechan Golf Club Juniors	£250.00
6. Llanfairfechan Horeb P&T Group	£150.00
7. Llanfairfechan Brownies	£200.00
8. Llanfairfechan Rainbows	£200.00
9. Llanfairfechan Playgroup	£500.00
10. Llanfairfechan Crown Green Bowling	£500.00
11. North Wales Cancer Research (Mayor's Allowance)	£100.00
12. Llanfairfechan Foodbank (Mayor's Firework Fund)	£339.59