

**CYNGOR TREF LLANFAIRFECHAN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES MEETING**  
Held on the 20 September 2017 in the Council Chamber at 7.00pm

**PRESENT: Councillors: Chair – Deputy Mayor Andrew Hinchliff**

<b>Mayor Delohne Merrell</b>	<b>Mrs Alison Chadwick</b>	<b>Mrs Carol Gell</b>	<b>Claire Hughes</b>
<b>Alan Jones</b>	<b>Chris Jones</b>	<b>Miss Nia Jones</b>	<b>Gareth Wyn Jones</b>
<b>Mrs Christine Roberts</b>	<b>Gareth Roberts</b>	<b>Glenn Robinson</b>	

**OFFICER: Ms E Shepherd Town Clerk & RFO**

**ABSENT: NONE**

**As a mark of respect members stood for a minute silence in memory of Bill Roberts a former long serving Town Councillor and County Councillor, who recently had sadly passed away.**

**Sympathy was expressed to Cllr Chris Jones and Cllr Miss Nia Jones on the sudden loss of a close relative.**

167. IN ATTENDANCE OFFICER, ERF, CCBC regarding proposed closure of Public Conveniences, Station Road. The Chair introduced and welcomed Steve Teale Facilities Manager. Mr Teale explained that there had been significant vandalism to the building earlier in 2017 i.e. damage to slates on the roof. Immediate repairs had been carried out and it was realised that the overall condition of the roof timbers were not in good condition. A further visual survey of the facilities had revealed an estimate cost of £20K to bring the building up to standard. County Councillors and Town Councillors had been contacted bringing these matters to their attention and noting the future of the conveniences were in the balance. At present the public conveniences were open and would remain for as long as possible, however it was emphasised that there was only a small amount of capital available and the constant cost of repairs was not viable. There is also an impending court case regarding trip hazard on the site in 2014. He stated that there were public conveniences a short distance on the Promenade and in Village Road which served the upper village.

Members stated that the Station Road facilities were well used and were important to the tourist trade. Many coaches park nearby to enable bird watchers access to Traeth Lafan Nature Reserve. It was also vital to keep them open for the many aged visitors and residents.

Mr Teale stated that there was a pot of money to invest in transfer of the conveniences to the community. Smart metres would be installed, new sanitary wear and cubicles etc., energy saving devices i.e. solar panels. He advised members to visit other communities who had taken over their facilities. He agreed to look into registering the footfall for Station Road facilities.

Members suggested that the Town Council fund the repairs using local contractors and CCBC continued to maintain the premises. Mr Teale stated that he would investigate if this was possible and report back to members.

The Chair thanked him for attending.

168. TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. 5 minutes per speaker within 20 minutes framework or at the discretion of the Chair.

It was questioned if CCBC can afford the refurbishment of the facilities why can they not continue in managing them.

Response - that this would be a one off expenditure to bring them up to standard for transfer.

169. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. **RESOLVED to receive and note apologies from Councillor(s) Miss Penny Andow.**

170. 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	Details of Personal interests	Details of the Council business to which it relates	Withdraw /Take Part
Andrew Hinchliff	Related to applicant	PLANNING – Reference 0/44362	withdraw

171. TO DISCUSS PROPOSALS FOR SKATE PARK FOLLOWING MEETING WITH CCBC OFFICER  
 Members were informed that the Sub-committee had met with CCBC officer. CCBC are investing another £14K added to the £10K agreed and the Town Council will fund match the project using Cwmni Penllan funding making a total of £48K. Examples of new proposals for the skate park had been discussed and it was agreed that they would go out to consultation with youth club, school and on Facebook. Removal of the existing ramp was also broached and it may be a possible to relocate under added value contract. The results of the opinion poll will be forwarded to CCBC who will then tender for the new skate park.

172. TO DISCUSS PROPOSALS FOR OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT – Cllr Mrs Chadwick will consult with Sport Wales or Awards For All for grant towards the purchase of the equipment, and will report back on the result.

173. TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO

1)	Invoice No	Payee	Reference	Amount	Cheque no.
	84980	LUCAS Power Tools	for hire of chipper for Victoria Gardens	£80.00	102118

**RESOLVED to approve payment**

Cancel cheque no 102111 made out to Tudno TV and reissue new cheque for £45-

2)	Invoice No	Payee	Reference	Amount	Cheque no.
	100114	G R Wiltshire	Photographic service	£45	102119

**RESOLVED to approve payment**

3) Wages to the Town Clerk September 2017 **RESOLVED to approve payment and sign cheque number 102120**

4) Wages to the Admin Assistant for September 2017 **RESOLVED to approve payment and sign cheque number 102121**

Wages to the Environmental Operative September 2017 **RESOLVED to approve payment and sign cheque number 102122**

174. PLANNING – Reference 0/44362

Applicant: Mr Ifor Wynne

Proposals: Light prune 1 no cherry tree (T1) Prune and shape 1 no damson tree (T2) Prune from property 1 no. oak tree to give 4 m clearance (T3) - clear BT cables 1 no oak tree. Prune 1 no. oak tree (2 limbs – approx. 6 branches) (T5). Reduce to hedge height 1 no. beech tree (T6) Remove 2 no. cherry trees (G1) reduce 2 no Conifer trees (G1).

Location: Ael y Gwynt, The Close, Llanfairfechan, LL33 0AG

**RESOLVED to have no objections to the above proposal.**

175. TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF BACS PAYMENT FROM HM REVENUE & CUSTOMS REGARDING VAT REPAYMENT – 31/03/2016 - £1660.32 and 31/03/2017 - £3233.62 = Total - £4893.95

**RESOLVED to receive and note that this will fund repairs to the MUGA West Shore.**

176. TO RECEIVE REPORTS OF COMPLAINTS/CONCERNS/COMPLIMENTS

- 1) Nant y Coed – compliments were received on the removal of the fallen tree in the river.
- 2) Parking Area Bont y Pandy – reports of abandoned caravan - members were advised that various departments in CCBC are looking into the matter. The Ward County Councillor is also investigating complaints.
- 3) Pant y Rhedyn School – reports that drivers of vehicles are treble parking outside the school at 3.30pm.
- 4) Weeds – complaints of overgrowth of weeds around the village.
- 5) Gullies Station Road – reported that they are now cleared
- 6) Graffiti – had been removed from the shelter by the boating lake and the area repainted.
- 7) Unruly behaviour – reports of youths congregating by the Promenade shelter and accessing the roof, bikes thrown into the sea – it was requested that contact details of the new PCSO are made available.
- 8) Victoria Gardens Sub-committee - it was suggested that a site meeting to discuss further improvements be held.
- 9) Catering Van – reported parked in Llanfair Arms beer garden – is causing concern to neighbouring properties, noise and litter pollution; infestation of rats had been reported in the area.
- 10) Pen y Bryn – reports of vehicle broken into.
- 11) Maes Glanarfon – reports of dogs barking continuously; unruly behaviour of residents in the block of flats; dangerous exit onto Penmaenmawr Road from the site due to parked vehicles blocking view of oncoming traffic.
- 12) Plas Menai Surgery – reports that the pavement slabs are broken outside entrance to surgery.
- 13) Plas Menai Practice Manager – it was stated that the present post holder is leaving and the job is advertised.
- 14) Penmaenmawr Dr’s Surgery – reports that Penmaenmawr surgery is closing 2 days a week. It was suggested that both town councils request a joint meeting as soon as possible.
- 15) Rhandir Hedd Cemetery – reported that the exit onto Aber Road is potentially dangerous due to the poor visibility of oncoming traffic.
- 16) Defibrillator – request from Rotary to place a plaque by the machine outside the Community Hall stating it was donated by the Jack Hutt Memorial Fund – RESOLVED to approve request
- 17) Scattering of Poppy Seeds – Guides and Brownies had requested permission to scatter poppy seeds – suggested that the hedgerow along Aber Road would be suitable site.

177. TO REVIEW FACEBOOK PAGE UPDATES – following each meeting Cllr Alison Chadwick will consult with the Clerk to discuss content. **RESOLVED to receive and note.**

178. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Full Council 11 October 2017

CLOSE – The meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chair