



## CYNGOR TREF LLANWRTYD WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES

#### **Minutes of the Hybrid Town Council Meeting on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.00pm. Held in The Pavilion, Dolwen Fields**

Attending: Cllr Davies (Chair), S. Jones (Deputy Chair), T. Van Rees, A. Jones, L. Pace-Avery, M. Pigott, C. Rickard and Cheryl Hood (Town Clerk). Observer: Rhys Lewis.

**140. Apologies:** Cllr G Watkins.

**141. Declaration of interest:** None. Clerk reminded all that the annual Declaration of Interests Forms were in the Councillors pack and needed to be returned by the 31<sup>st</sup> January.

**142. Minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021.** Proposed as correct representation of the meeting by Cllr Pace-Avery and seconded by Cllr A. Jones.

**143. Finance- Monthly accounts:** Proposed as accurate by Cllr Pigott and seconded by Cllr S. Jones.

**143a Budget 2022, and Asset Register:** Presented for 2<sup>nd</sup> time. Proposed by Cllr Pace-Avery and Seconded by Cllr Rickard.

**144. Anti-Social behaviour:** PCSO Trudy Davies has moved to Brecon. Waiting on confirmation of new PCSO for area. We wish PCSO Davies well in her new post and thanked her for her support.

**145. Town Square and Green:** Thank you letter to go out to Nigel Price and his team and the Festival Committee for the Tree and lights on the Square. Tree this year was donated by Prior and Ricketts.

**146. Feedback from Councillors.**

**Cllr Pace-Avery** – Would like Llanwrtyd to become a venue for the Memory Walk. Help to bring tourism back to the town. Cllr Pace-Avery to send link to Clerk for a letter to be written. Archery due to start again. Issue of charging for use of field as Archery club are charging people a fee.

**Action:** Clerk to see what others are charging for use of outside space and report back.

**Cllr Pigott** – Lynn Parnell had asked about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in the Town. Queen's Platinum Jubilee is being discussed under item 157.

**Cllr A. Jones** – The light that was not working at the back of Victoria Hall has been dealt with. Fuse had been removed. The payment for providing the electric for this light was agreed to be paid by the Town Council. Cost £26 a year.

**Cllrs Rickard, Van-Rees, S. Jones** - nothing to report.

**147. Planning: Planning Application –**

**(1)** Ref; 21/2251/FUL Northampton House, plan to replace sheds and barn with new house. Discussion took place around connections to current sewage works. No objections to planning application. LDP for Powys will be put on Agenda for next meeting.

**(2)** Appeal on erection of shed, Powys Planning have dismissed the appeal and shed will be removed. Meeting with Powys to take place shortly. Cllr Van-Rees arranging.

**(3)** Discussion around the possible breach of planning condition for garage, possibly being used as part residential. Outside lights interfere with the bat population and was not allowed under the planning consent.

**Action: (1)** Clerk to write to Welsh Water ref current sewage capacity. Include LDP as an Agenda item for next meeting. **(3)** Write to Powys Planning Dept to verify if there has been a breach in planning consent.

**148. Twinning** – Zoom meeting to take place shortly with the Mayor of Meriel.

**149: Co-Opting of Councillors:** Application received from Roshan Chattaway to re-join the Town Council. under Co-Option. All voted – Unanimous. There are still two vacant places left on the Town Council.

**Action** – Clerk to inform and send out acceptance forms to Roshan Chattaway.

**150. Llanwrtyd Wells Pharmacy:** Permits and Licences have been granted and signed off by the Welsh Health Minister. Eluned Morgan MS. A new pharmacist has been appointed and staff appointed to help run the pharmacy. The future of the Surgery looks more secure now. Cllr Pigott wanted to thank Cllr Davies and the rest of the team for their hard work. It shows what a community could do when it pulls together. Cllr Pace-Avery reported that a press release was due to go out shortly.

**151. Broadband Update:** Reece Simmons had taken over the role of Broadway Broadband Wales Manager. He is confident that we will meet our targeted amount to gain the funding but we were not

there just yet. There were a lot of people interested that lived in Beulah but it was not clear whether they would be allowed to join in with the Llanwrtyd area. Mike Lewis has taken over Reece's former role as Covid Recovery Support Manager and Economic Development & Regeneration for Powys. He is overseeing the process for our Smart Towns status.

**152. Services:** The Public Toilets are currently costing the Town Council more money than they are bringing in. Funding is currently being sourced.

**Action:** Clerk to write to Welsh Assembly regarding Public Toilets and Funding to help. Also, to look at conditions of handover to the Town Council from Powys CC.

**153. Library Update** – Nothing further to report on this at the moment. Cllr Pace-Avery to report back at next meeting.

**154. Update on Victoria Hall:** Insurer's solicitors are currently looking at the funding of our solicitors' costs.

**155: Dolwen Fields Update:** Committee meeting Monday. Mannor Homes have agreed to fund/donate building materials may be used for repairing/rebuilding the Youth Shelter within the playpark. Still need to look at funding for the disabled access in School Road. Cllr Davis reported that rubbish is being left in the youth shelter and smaller shelter in the play park. Maybe the cleaner could litter pick once a fortnight for an hour. Proposed by Cllr Pigott and seconded by Cllr Van-Rees, unanimous. The carpark had been damaged by the water overflowing from the culvert in School Road. The Caretaker had been and cleared the culvert inside the field and Powys will be jetting and clearing the culvert on the opposite side of the road to stop future flooding and damage occurring.

**Action:** - Clerk to liaise with the Cleaner on litter picking.

**156. AJR Celebrations update** – One tree has already arrived and waiting on the second one. There would be a scaled down celebration on the 27<sup>th</sup> January due to Covid 19 Regulations. There would be a full celebration on the 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022, Holocaust Remembrance Day. More details to follow.

**157. Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.** Celebrations for the Town were discussed and a committee is to be set up to liaise with other groups/committees in the Town, to have a joint celebration. Committee to arrange date to meet. Committee members; Cllr Pace-Avery, Rickard, A. Jones, S. Jones.

**Action:** - Clerk to arrange date of meeting. Cllr Rickard to provide list of groups/committees in Llanwrtyd.

**158. Christmas Dinner:** Waiting to hear back from Neuadd Arms as to whether they can accommodate us for the 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

**159. Correspondence received:** Email received from Mr Stephen Hawkes, LWCT regarding the renting of the larger part of the Railway Building. **Action** - Clerk to reply to Mr Hawkes.

-Email from SITE123 regarding old website payment. Refund expected, shortfall to be reimbursed to former Councillor. Clerk had also emailed all Councillors with list of emails that may be of interest.

-Email from Charles Gittens, Scottish Forestry, regarding boundary of Llanwrtyd. Map sent of Llanwrtyd. Waiting on response from Mr Gittens.

-Allotments; Space left may not be enough for a full Allotment Committee to operate. Those that were interested in having an allotment have been asked to contact Cllr Van-Rees, as the land owner, direct.

#### **160 - A. O. B.:**

**Cllr Van-Rees** had received correspondence from the owners of Tyn-Y-Maes and Ty-Gwyn to meet soon. Will ask Jack Griffiths, Tilhill Forestry to suggest some dates.

With regard to the allotments more space could be made available to facilitate more pitches.

**Cllr Pace-Avery:** What is happening with the trains, bus replacement in place again.

Mayoral chain will need to be re-valued again and names of previous Mayors engraved on it.

**Action:** Clerk to write to Railway to get an update. Also, evaluation for insurance purposes and engraving to be carried out.

**Cllr Rickard:** Artisan Market to be held in the Victoria Hall on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

**Cllr A. Jones:** Collection being carried out, will liaise with local groups, Llangammarch and Treflys Community for contribution.

**Cllr Pigott:** Update for the Institute? Grants have been applied for and waiting to hear back.

Meeting closed at 21:15

Minutes Amended: Yes

Verified at meeting on the 16/02/2021

Signed off by Chair :