



Cyngor Tref Castell Newydd Emlyn

Newcastle Emlyn Town Council

MINUTES

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Newcastle Emlyn Town Council held on Thursday 19TH May 2022 at 7.00pm on Zoom
Present:- Mayor – Cllr Jayne Ludgate, Councillors:- Allan Davies, Barry Evans, Cefin Evans, Hazel Evans, Alan Jones, Peter Lewis, Odette Little, Dave Thomas, Maureen Webley. Clerk: Stella Jones.

1. 05/22 Ymddiheiriadau am Absenoldeb / Apologies for Absence – None

2. 05/22 Datgelu Diddordeb Personol ac Ariannol dan Eitemau Busnes sydd wedi eu Rhestru Isod / To Disclose Personal & Pecuniary Interests in Items of Business listed below

Finance.- Cllr H Evans – 9.1.vi., vii. 9.2.S/O , A Jones 9.1.xiii. ,
Correspondence – Cllr D Thomas 6.xii.

3. 05/22 Heddlu / Police – PCSO J Kedward gave the following report – a rider on an electric motor bike had been seen riding around the castle grounds – the owner had been approached but had not been seen there again. Anti-social behaviour in town – there has been a slow increase of this whereby many incidences have occurred. Two cameras in the Town Football Club have been broken and the park committee are looking at options regarding this. The gate broken by kids in the Park has been repaired. Two of the Town's cameras are also not working the one facing Castle Street & towards the Clock tower as well as the camera facing the Mews. It has been arranged that PCSO's from Cardigan will be patrolling the town at busy times as well as police that happen to be in the town Police Station. Police are hoping to arrange a meeting with various parties/groups in town to see what can be done about entertaining youngsters and trying to keep them from causing trouble.

Cllr H Evans informed J Kedward that she'd had a letter of complaint from a visitor that dogs were being left in cars – *J K stated that police have the power to break a window if they find that a dog is in distress.* She had also been approached by a town resident of his concern at the ease of being able to obtain drugs locally – *J K stated that the police were very much aware of the situation, Clerk to write to Chief Inspector C Frazer stating the council's concerns.*

Cllr D Thomas noted that traffic was speeding in particular towards the new Co-op – *J K stated that he would inform the Road Policing Unit of this*

4. 05/22 I Gymeradwyo Cofnodion Cyfarfod Misol ar 21.04.2022 / To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting on 21.04.2022

Proposer – Cllr Hazel Evans

Secunder – Cllr Maureen Webley

5. 05/22 Materion yn Codi / Matters Arising

Ref 6.v.07/21 Local Places for Nature – *Cllr A Jones stated that it was only the seat that was left to be put in place. The question was posed as to how the area was being watered. Cllr B Evans offered to supply a tank that would store water and could be dispensed from it – his kind offer was accepted*

Ref 5. 10/21 Defib Sub Committee – *Cllr A Jones stated that the Committee of the Mormon Church had agreed to a box being fixed to their building/wall – this to be done this coming weekend*

Ref 11.4.ii.11/21 Muddy Path rear of Maesllewellyn – *Cllr H Evans stated that CCC had sent a camera down and it transpired that it was not a blockage but sewage coming through when it had been raining heavily and that this was now a H& S issue – Clerk to write to Welsh Water*

6. 05/22 Gohebiaeth / Correspondence

- i. email – CCC – LEADER application – confirmation that the 1st stage Grant had been granted
- ii. email – Ann Dymock Versus Arthritis Info Session: Tues 17th May 10.30-11.30am ONLINE via Eventbrite – *circulated*
- iii. email – CCC – Planning Applications 18.04.2022 - 22.04.2022 – *circulated*
- iv. email – OVW – change of training dates – *circulated*
- v. email – Cllr Alan Jones – Cawdor Hall Toilets – *the locks had been replaced and door repaired*
- vi. email – CCC – Planning Applications 25.04.2022 - 29.04.2022 – *circulated*
- vii. email – MGS – Gŵyl Canol Dref 2022 on 9/07/2022 at Parc Myrddin, Carmarthen – *circulated*
- viii. email – CCC – Planning Applications 02.05.2022 - 06.05.2022 – *circulated*
- ix. email – OVW – Keep Wales Tidy – Applications are open for the new packages! - *circulated*
- x. email – Peter Walters – Gate for Attic Steps – *circulated* – *Council was informed that conservation would allow a gate as long as it was to a certain spec - following lengthy discussions it was agreed that Councillors B & H Evans would have further discussions with Mr & Mrs Walters*
- xi. email – CCC – List of Elected Councillors following 2022 Elections – *circulated*

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- xii. email – Dave Thomas – *circulated* – *this could not be discussed as there was no information due to the election period*
- xiii. email – OVW – Future Wales: the national plan 2040 - Newsletter Issue 019 - May 2022 – *circulated*
- xiv. email – OVW – Celebrating Rural Wales Event 9th & 10th June 2022 – *circulated*
- xv. email – Maureen Webley – re steps
- xvi. email – Dyfed Powys Police – *enquiring whether the council wish to pursue with the toilet incident it was agreed to go ahead*
- xvii. email – TNL Community Fund Wales – Grant application granted for £10,000

7. 05/22 Adroddiadau Pwyllgorau / Committee Report

King George V Playing Field – work is going ahead with designing the Pump Track

Traders – at present they have no officials – chair & vice have resigned. It is intended to hold an open business meeting for the town on 8th July and the Annual Meeting on 26th July

8. 05/22 Ceisiadau Cynllunio / Planning Applications

None

9. 05/22 Materion Ariannol / Financial Matters

Monthly Budget Sheet was presented to Council and discussed.

1. Invoice

i.	Wyn Davies, Handyman(17/04/2021 – 12/05/2022).....	£765.00
ii.	Jenny Nichols-Long (21/04/2022 – 18/05/2022)	£234.00
iii.	J Lowry (16/04/2022 – 13/05/2022)	£324.00
iv.	Cardigan Bay Trading [Clock toilets]	£25.99
v.	Cardigan Bay Trading [Mart Toilets]	£25.98
vi.	CCC[Rates total £1685.25 1 st month £164.25 then £169 per month].....	£164.25
vii.	Clerk[ink cartridges].....	£40.98
viii.	SSE [Christmas Lights]	£26.70
ix.	TVBS.....	£3.84
x.	Live & Direct	£285.84
xi.	Jenny Wheeler[Aug21-Apr22]	£208.42
xii.	Tivy Hall [flowers for JP].....	£15.00
xiii.	Alan Jones [Fire Risk Assessment £77.05 & repairs +locks to toilets £102.76].....	£179.81

2. S/O

LAS [per 4weeks]	£94.32
Clerk's Salary	£340.00
PLUS NET	£25.20
DWR CYMRU(PC).....	£22.00
SSE	£281.22
SSE	£58.14
SSE	£40.28

3. Credit

i. Rental of Courtyard, Cawdor Hall

UNIT 1 [Karen Wilkinson].....	£165.00
UNIT 2 [Teresa Donohue].....	£165.00
UNIT 4 [Diane Newman].....	£177.33
ATTIC THEATRE Rental [2 nd Payment].....	£901.00
CCC Precept.....	£10,327.40

4. Requests for Financial Assistance

None

10. 05/22 Materion Angen Trafodaeth / Matters for Discussion

1. Retiring Councillors – Councillors were asked to consider how best to acknowledge the services of retiring Councillors be it due to ill health or otherwise. The Mayor Making Ceremony should also be considered in the June meeting
2. Damp in Cawdor Hall toilets – a builder had a look at the damp which he didn't consider to be a problem and The staircase up to the clock tower was inspected that was fine only needed a coat of paint – a quote to be sought for the next meeting.
3. Platinum Jubilee Celebrations – following discussion there was a proposal to stage a beacon in the Castle grounds and a counter proposal not to – the motion to have a beacon was carried by seven votes to three.

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It was also decided that there would be a display in the window of the Cawdor Hall of the proposed project That the Council has secured a TNL grant for 'The Honeycomb Project' This funding will allow the Council to carry out work which will permanently be linked with the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. The Beacon will be lit on the 2nd June 2022 at 9.15pm

4. Unit 3 – there is a lady interested in taking over the Unit at the beginning of July, Hanes Emlyn would hope to have their room organised by then and ready to move their items out from Unit 3.

11. 05/22 Sylwadau'r Cynghorwyr / Councillors' Comments

1. Cllr H Evans – i. questioned about when the windows will be cleaned at the Cawdor Hall – *Cllr A Jones stated that they are done as and when needed*
 - ii. stated that two trees had died Castle Grounds – *it was agreed that Paul Toft should inspect the trees and results of his findings be brought back to the next meeting*
 - iii. asked that hanging baskets be hung as soon as possible – *Cllr A Jones stated that he would be going to Trefhedyn the next day.*
2. Cllr C Evans – i. stated that there were loose cobbles in the Castle Car Park - *Cllr H Evans stated that she had reported this to CCC*
3. Cllr O Little – i. the footpath from the Church to the Mart has stinging nettles growing out into the footpath – *Clerk to speak with Wyn and ask him to treat just the nettles.*
4. Cllr P Lewis – asked for a revised list of Councillors details
5. Cllr D Thomas – i. he had a complaint that there was debris in the river – *this is not the responsibility of the Council*
 - ii. speaking on behalf of traders he stated that the signage to the town showing to the location of Car Parks was not as adequate as it is coming from the Carmarthen side
 - iii. speaking on behalf of the traders he asked whether something could be done regarding the empty buildings in the middle of the town – *he was informed that letters had been sent to both owners but had received no response*
 - iv. asked if he could meet / hold a surgery with locals in a café in town – *he was informed that it was his own decision*
 - v. Bushes on the castle meadow – volunteers had offered to prune them – *it was agreed by Council they could do so as long as the cuttings were removed*
6. Cllr A Jones – i. asked whether Councillors could meet to clear out the shed on Tuesday 24th May – *all able to do so should meet at 6pm*
 - ii. he had been approached by a family asking for permission to take wedding photographs in the Castle in September – *permission was granted.*
7. Cllr J Ludgate – i. stated that she had been approached by the RBL asking whether there was anywhere suitable in the Cawdor Hall to store their collection boxes – *it was agreed councillors would have a look as to whether under the stairs in the Clock Tower or metal cabinets could be used.*
 - ii. asked whether any information had come from the Welsh Cycling Event in June – *Clerk stated that she had been told they would get in touch on the day of the Council meeting but no-one had.*

12.05/22 Date of next meeting

Dyddiad Cyfarfod Misol ar 16eg o Fehefin 2022 am 7.00yh trwy ZOOM/ Next Monthly Meeting June 16th 2022 at 7.00pm via ZOOM.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 9.20pm

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