



## MINUTES

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Newcastle Emlyn Town Council held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at 7:30pm in the Teifi Valley Day Centre, Newcastle Emlyn, the Mayor Cllr Hazel Evans presided. Present:- Councillors:- Kelvin Baker, Allan Davies, Cefin Evans, Pauline Evans, Alan Jones, Odette Little, Maureen Webley, Gareth Williams, Clerk: Stella Jones, PC I Ayers & PCSO J Kedward, Members of the press.

**Police :** Alcohol Free Zone in the Castle - The Mayor informed the Police that following enquiries a great deal of evidence was required before this could be implemented. The Police noted that there was not enough evidence, that is not enough calls regarding this matter had been received. The Police were given confirmation of dates for the following events in the town:- 29<sup>th</sup> October – Cilwendeg Rally, 5<sup>th</sup> November - Fireworks display in Castle, 6<sup>th</sup> Nov.- Unveiling Ceremony at the Cawdor Hall & working on Christmas Lights, 7<sup>th</sup> December – Victorian Night

1 Ymddiheiriadau am Absenoldeb / Apologies for Absence – Cllr Peter Lewis

2. 10/11 Datgelu Personol ac Ariannol dan Eitemau Busnes sydd wedi eu Rhestru Isod / To Disclose Personal & Pecuniary Interests in Items of Business listed below

Cllr Gareth Williams – Finance

Cllr Hazel Evans – Finance

3. 10/11 I Gymeradwyo Cofnodion Cyfarfod 21/09/2011 / To Approve Minutes of Meeting 21/09/2011

These were accepted as a true and correct record

Proposed by Cllr. A Jones

Seconded by Cllr. P Evans

4. 10/11 Materion yn Codi / Matters Arising

Ref:5.ii 06/11 Meeting with Lloyds TSB –

a map is required to show the amount of land needed for this improvement

Ref:26 09/08 & 45 02/09 Mart Car Park –

Work is due to commence next week

Ref: 35 10/08 River Walk & Ref 62: 02/10 Village Enhancement Scheme –

Nothing is expected to happen until the New Year & should be placed on the January Agenda

Ref:5.ix 07/11 Emlyn Arms Footpath – ongoing

Ref: 5.iv 09/11 Lifting of Rates for Cawdor Hall Toilets

Clerk was informed by CCC that this would not be possible

Ref: 5.xi. 09/11 Planning Aid Wales Course –

As the cost of the course had been increased by £100 it was felt that the course should be postponed for the time being and could be re-arranged and re-evaluated in 2012.

Ref: 5.xvii.09/11 Carmarthenshire Personality Award –

It was proposed that the following names should be put forward for nomination

Abigail Bleach – Swimming

Josh Turnbull – Rugby

Scott Williams – Rugby

Nia Teifi Davies – Squash

Ref:7 Planning Application – W/25196

No observations on the application.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Ref: 8.09/11 Welsh Water – Fountain Hall – Update

Following the letter sent by the Clerk she was informed by Welsh Water that if the Council wished to disconnect it was a requirement to include the word permanent in an application. It was also pointed out that should the council wish to reconnect at this site it would cost in excess of £1,000 to do this. It was proposed by Cllr C Evans and seconded by Cllr K Baker to keep the connection. The motion was carried with one abstention.

Ref: 10.iii.a) 09/11 Plastic Windows at Market Square –

These do not need planning permission and neither does the door in the same street as they are within regulations.

iii.c) 09/11 Town Mayor's Board -

The board has been updated to 2011

**5. 10/11 Gohebiaeth / Correspondence**

- i. Emlyn Support Group of Parkinson's UK – letter of thanks
- ii. Emlyn Pool Management Committee – letter of thanks
- iii. Urdd Gobaith Cymru – letter of thanks
- iv. CCC Sports Personality Awards – Nomination Form, closing date 25<sup>th</sup> November 2011
- v. CCC – Seasonal Decorations – Application for Permission to Install & Operate on or above public Highway - Clerk to complete required documents
- vi. Y Llais / The Voice periodical
- vii. CCC–Re:Deposit Carmarthenshire LDP –acknowledge receipt of representations in respect of consultation
- viii. e-mail – Sioned Pearce - Planning Aid Wales - details of course
- ix. e-mail – Sioned Pearce – letter of clarification
- x. e-mail – Gary Carlsen – PROW Emlyn Arms – the matter is being looked into by CCC
- xi. e-mail – Rhys Davies – Cawdor Hall Public Conveniences - rates
- xii. e mail – Bethan Wallage – SWALEC – confirmation of Annual Contract
- xiii. e- mail – Roxanne Treacy – RDP Sir Gâr grants open day at NCE Church Hall Friday 28/10/11 9am – 4pm
- xiv. e- mail – Paul Williams – CCC Youth Service MOBI Project – MOBI bus at NCE every Wed between 5pm – 6pm at the Mart Car Park – Cllr A Jones reported that he had met up and had a discussion with the MOBI team
- xv. e-mail – Paul Sims – interactive online map link – <http://www.thewalesmap.com/>
- xvi. e-mail– Thomas Light – HySpeed Broadband's Satellite broadband service [//www.hyspeedbroadband.com](http://www.hyspeedbroadband.com)
- xvii. e-mail – Robert Tatham – RTC Safety Surfaces – for information
- xviii.e-mail – Dr Rachel Iredale – Invitation to visit Tenovus' Mobile Unit on 8/11/2011, 10.00am-4.00pm
- xix.e-mail – Louise Mees, CADW- report of Cadw Management & Routine Condition Assessment visit,11/10/11 the Mayor & Deputy Mayor reported that following their meeting with Ms Mees she had stated that there was no funding available at present to carry out further work but was very pleased with what had been carried out. It was proposed that the improvements that still needed undertaking should be carried out by W Davies, Technical Services
- xx. e-mail – Kristopher Williams, CCC FPS (D6649) Deposit Carmarthenshire LDP – acknowledge receipt of representations in respect of consultation
- xxi. e-mail – Cen Llwyd – Details of Ceremony for unveiling of bench dedicated in memory of Helen Thomas
- xxii e-mail – Jill Sutton - Meeting of Fair Trade Group, @ Council Chambers 15/11/11 at 5.30pm, Tristan Humphreys, Fair Trade Wales, Cardiff will be present
- xxiii. OVW – Area Committee Meeting on Wed. 2/11/11, 7.00pm @ Community Ed. Centre, High St, Glanamau (Coffee & biscuits @ 6,30pm)
- xxiv.OVW – Nov 6<sup>th</sup> Course at Carmarthen, with bursary scheme the cost would be £12.50 [Module 6 :- Local Government Finance]
- xxv. OVW – list of Big Lottery Fund Programmes (details forwarded to Councillors for their information)

**6. 10/11 Adroddiadau Pwyllgorau / Committee Reports**

- i. **Back to your Roots** – request for a letter of support for Grant Application
- ii. **Victorian Night** – committee met on 11<sup>th</sup> October, there was a fair turn out of support. The event will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December to commence at 4pm. The Mayor to find judges for the Best – Window, Establishment & Best Dressed Person & Children also Old Peoples Homes. There will be 1<sup>st</sup>,2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Prizes.
- iii. **O.V.W. AGM & Conference** – this was attended by the Mayor and Clerk, it was reported that the OVW membership will be increased by 3%

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**7. 10/11 Ceisiadau Cynllunio / Planning Applications -**

**Granted**

W/25283 – Mr D Davies – one new dwelling at Plot adjacent to Donuel, NCE. SA38 9UL

**8. 10/11 Materion Ariannol / Financial Matters**

**Invoices**

i.	Wyn Davies, Handyman(Oct).....	£not presented.
ii.	J Williams Toilet cleaning(Sept).....	£420.00
iii.	Cleaning materials .....	£56.39
iv.	Clerk's salary.....	£250.00(Oct)
v.	Clerk's expenses .....	£39.80
	(Postage, Travelling)	
vi.	Civic Reception-Afternoon Tea.....	£105.00
vii.	Hire of Church Hall.....	£29.00
viii.	Jenkins Signs .....	£75.00

**S/O**

CCC – Rates .....	£193.00
SWALEC (Council Chambers).....	£136.00
SWALEC (Toilets, Cawdor Hall) .....	£12.73
WELSH WATER.....	£234.20

**Credits**

**Payments for September**

Market Rent (CC).....	£310.00
Market Rent (JS) .....	£195.00
Market Rent (BM) .....	£167.00
Market Rent (SC) .....	£322.00(£155+£167)
Electricity Meters .....	£125.00

**9.10/11 Adroddiadau Timau Cynllun / Project Team Reports**

**Cawdor Hall Project** – Caroline Roberts took the chair in the unavoidable absence of Cllr M Webley for the meeting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October at the Cawdor Hall. Plans are to be re-submitted by the 30<sup>th</sup> November, mentoring support will be used (as suggested by the CADW representative) before the application is submitted. A decision should be made by February 2012. CCC Collaboration Fund has indicated that they might provide Match Funding pending the application coming in. Application for Planning Consent has not, as yet, gone in this will be done by the Town Council.

**10. 10/11 Sylwadau'r Cynghorwyr / Councillors' Comments**

- i. The Mayor stated that Technical Services was intending to weld the bolts on the benches near the playing fields to prevent vandals trying to remove them.
  - a) It was also requested that the Clerk should write to the legal Department, under the freedom of information act, for a breakdown of figures of the income from all the town car parks and also the amount of money spent on their maintenance.
  - b) The missing bollard outside the Castle entrance has not been found – it was agreed to look into costs for replacing this.
  - c) Spotlights for the castle it was agreed that these should be replaced – Cllr G Williams to look into costs. Also it was suggested that Grant funding should be looked at for this work.
  - d) Teachers from various countries in Europe had visited Ysgol y Ddwylan the previous week and were given a Civic Reception as requested by the school. This was held at Holy Trinity Church Hall where they enjoyed light refreshments and were presented with gifts supplied by CCC & the Mayor, the teachers noted that they were very impressed with the town.
  - e) Christmas Lights - It was suggested and agreed that if too many turned up to work on the Lights some should start on necessary pruning work in the Castle. Because of the unveiling of the Memorial Bench at 12 o'clock on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November it was agreed that working on the lights should start at 2pm. On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November working on the Christmas lights should not commence until 1pm as it is Remembrance Sunday and there would be a memorial service in the morning.

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- ii. Cllr P Evans noted that the parking bay lines were hardly visible in the Mart Car Park – Clerk to write to J McEvoy. Attention and concern was also drawn to the fact that the 1<sup>st</sup> Responders are hardly used now – Clerk to write to the Wales Service Ambulance Trust, the Health & Social Services Minister, MP & AM regarding this matter.
- iii. Cllr G Williams reported that the bollard outside the side entrance to Ysgol y Ddwylan was still missing and that the cranked sign by the Police Station had yet to be corrected – Clerk to contact Mr John McEvoy. Permission was also sought to hold the Fireworks Display in the Castle Grounds on 5<sup>th</sup> November and any Councillors available to help would be very welcome. Permission was granted.
- iv. Cllr A Davies stated that Welsh Water were causing congestion in town by having traffic lights for repair work and this being unnecessary as no one was there doing maintenance work – Clerk to write to the board.
- v. Cllr C Evans stated that anchor points for the hanging baskets in town needed to be checked when they were being removed as one had come off from the wall and fallen to the ground which could have caused an injury. The matter of whether it was necessary to provide refreshments following the Unveiling Ceremony was raised. It was agreed that if needed this should be held at the Trinity Church Hall. Cllr C Evans should find out from the ladies of Graig Chapel whether they were providing refreshments and if so to coordinate with them whatever was needed.
- vi. Cllr M Webley stated that the sign to warn lorries not to turn towards the castle had not been installed, CC Hazel Evans is to look into this.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 21.20pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_