

Newcastle Emlyn Town Council

MINUTES

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Newcastle Emlyn Town Council held on Thursday 20th February 2014 at 7:30pm in the Teifi Valley Day Centre, Newcastle Emlyn, Mayor Cllr K Baker presided. Present:- Councillors:- Hazel Evans, Pauline Evans, Alan Jones, Peter Lewis, Odette Little, Maureen Webley, G Williams. Clerk: Stella Jones. Mr Ian Johnson

1. 02/14 Ymddiheiriadau am Absenoldeb / Apologies for Absence – Cllr. Cefin Evans, Police

2.02/14 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 – Cllrs. G Williams, H Evans

3. 02/14 Heddlu / Police – As no police was present Clerk was asked to report that cars were continuously parking on the pavement in Ebenezer Street causing pedestrians to step out on to the main road.

4. 02/14 I Gymeradwyo Cofnodion Cyfarfod 16.01.14 / To approve the Minutes of the Meeting on 16.01.14 With the following amendments – at Heol y Gof it was rubbish bags that were set alight and not a recycling bin & the Tivy Side Show request for financial assistance should be placed on the agenda of a meeting in the next financial year and not at the next meeting. Also for planning application W/29375 no observation should be recorded. These were then accepted as a true and correct record.

Proposed by Cllr. Pauline Evans

Seconded by Cllr. Maureen Webley

5. 02/14 Materion yn codi / Matters arising

Ref:5.ii 06/11 Lloyds TSB – Update – The bank are still waiting for the lessee to sign the lease for the forthcoming period, he will then be approached to sign the necessary documents regarding the wall. Mr J McEvoy stated that only half the height of the wall would need removing to improve visibility for motorists.

Ref: 6.v.06/13 Mart Public Conveniences – it is understood that negotiations terminated between CCC and the individual interested in taking on the toilets.

Ref: 12.iib) 07/13 Castle Dragon – Mr Ian Johnson was present at the meeting and outlined at length his views on the way forward regarding the necessary repairs to the egg. Following discussion Councillors agreed to review the situation in 12 months and that Mr Johnson should proceed to maintain the sculpture at the agreed annual sum of £250.

Ref: 12.iv 07/13 Loose Stonework on Castle wall – Cllr A Jones reported that someone from Cadw would be meeting with him at the castle on the following day [21st Feb 2014]

Ref: 6.xxvi.01/14 VAT Footway Lighting Charges - following enquiries by the Clerk VAT charges for energy stand at 20% and not 5% as presumed by Council.

Ref: 12.ii.01/14 Fallen Tree in Castle Meadow – Wyn Davies had informed the Clerk that the trees had been cleared from the path but he would be unable to chip the timber until the ground had dried out more.

6. 02/14 Gohebiaeth / Correspondence

- i. CCC – Sporting Asset Transfer Information Pack – this does not affect the NCE TC
- ii. CCC – Public Transport Seminar – 14/02/14 – C Cllr H Evans reported that there would be cutbacks on Public Transport.
- iii. Llangollen National Eisteddfod – notice that Cywair Choir will be competing
- iv. Project Officer Job Description – *great interest has been shown and applications received, Caroline Roberts, Cllr H Evans and representative from CCC would consider applications and interview candidates.*
- v. Dave Freemantle – it was unanimously resolved not to accept the offer to eradicate rabbits by shooting, from the grounds of King George V and the Bowling Green, for safety reasons
- vi. CCC - Proposed Priority Give Way Systems - B4333 Aberarad, Newcastle Emlyn,

Signed _____ Date _____

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- vii. e-mail – GreeniE-zene – *tabled*
- viii e-mail – OVW – Conserving and maintaining Welsh war memorial heritage conference 27/03/14 RWS – *circulated*
- ix. e-mail – WG – Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery <http://cymru.gov.uk/topics/improvingservices/public-service-governance-and-delivery/report/?lang=cy> - *tabled*
- x. e-mail – Regional Bulletin Simon Thomas AM – *tabled*
- xi. e-mail – Age Cymru scams awareness talk – *tabled*
- xii. e-mail – Notification of Licence Application for Cae Emlyn – *circulated and tabled*
- xiii.e-mail – Wales GSI - Application for a Borrowing Approval
- xiv. e-mail – OVW – Homes for Wales Bulletin January 2014 - *tabled*
- xv. e-mail – OVW – Natural Resource Management Bulletin - January 2014 – *tabled*
- xvi. e-mail – OVW – Local government audit and inspection fee scales 2014-15 – *tabled*
- xvii. e-mail – OVW – Motions for 2014 Annual Conference and AGM – *tabled*
- xviii. e-mail - Relocation of S4C to Carmarthenshire – Public Meeting Wed 19th Feb, Halliwell Theatre, Carm. – *tabled*
- xix. e-mail – OVW – Motions for 2014 Annual Conference and AGM – *tabled*
- xx. e-mail – Wales GSI – Independent Remuneration Panel – Annual Report 2014/15 – *tabled*
- xxi. e-mail – Wales GSI – Local Government (Wales) Byelaws Act 2012 – Implementation – *tabled*
- xxii. e-mail – OVW – Public Appointments Opportunities – *tabled*
- xxiii. e-mail – OVW – Training Course Schedule February to July 2014 – *tabled*
- xxiv. e-mail – OVW – Adjudication Panel for Wales Annual Report 2012-2013 - *tabled*

7. 02/14 Adroddiadau Pwyllgorau / Committee Report

Finance – held on 20/02/14. Permission was requested from full Council to spend £1,000 to upgrade 3 CCTV Cameras in the town – agreed by full council.

The Town Council unanimously agree that we formally accept the Heritage Lottery grant for £247,700 and the CADW grant for £20,370 and that we contribute £10,000 from our reserves and due to one grant for £25,000 not being received the Council may have a shortfall of this amount. The Town Council passed at its January 2014 meeting to obtain the Welsh Government's authority to borrow if needed. The authorisation has been received and when the Tender process has been completed the Finance Committee will review the requirements to borrow. Having this project completed will benefit the Town we will be able to offer start up stalls for young entrepreneurs and there will be an information centre which will be beneficial to the tourists and the community will also benefit from having a communal area which can be used for the promotion and use for local events organised by local organisations and charities as well as the Attic Players and schools.

When we have the go ahead from the HLF we will need to appoint a CDM contractor to take care of Health and Safety issues and report to the Clerk monthly.

It was asked of full Council to formally accept the NLF Grant and CADW Grant – accepted – Proposed by Cllr G Williams, Seconded by Cllr P Evans.

