

Minutes of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held at the Memorial Hall, New Quay on **Monday, 21 January 2019**

PRESENT: Councillor J Evans (Chairman), Councillor J Davies, S Hartley, G Hopley, P Hopley, D Potter, M Rees, and H Williams

(7.00pm- 8.35pm)

### **73 Apologies**

Councillor Alwyn Jones and Brett Stones apologised their inability to attend the meeting.

### **74 Disclosure of Personal Interest/Prejudicial Interest**

None.

### **75 Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 December 2018**

75.01 The Minutes of the meeting held of the 17 December 2018 were confirmed as a true record subject to amending minute 70.01 to Precept 2019/20.

75.02/66.02/57.02/48.01/39.02/29.03/19.09/10.03 Bollards had been painted. Two benches in Upland Square had been removed for painting. One bollard required replacing as was rotten, an email had been sent to Ceredigion CC for its replacement.

75.03/66.03/57.03/48.03/39.06 An email had been received from Ceredigion Museum, stating that the responsibility of the repair of the toll boards was NQTC as previously grants were available for their repair. It was agreed that three quotes/tenders would be sought for their repair. It was also reported on the need to replace the wood for the Dylan Thomas board, it was also agreed to seek three quotes for its repair as there were monies ring fenced in the NQTC bank account. – This would be followed up by Councillor Potter

75.04 66.04/57.05/48.05/43.01 Skateboard Park inspection- Councillor Potter had reminded D Price on the need to provide a quote on the works required at the park.

75.05/66.05/57.08/54.06 The Chair had spoken to Mr Callum Stone, a letter had been sent to CCC regarding the matter, to date not response had been received. A meeting would be held between NRW, CCC and Dŵr Cymru in the next three weeks due to the public health issues on the beach.

75.06/66.07/58.01 An email had been received from CCC confirming that volunteers could paint the shelter subject to public liability insurance etc. Councillor Potter would arrange this.- still ongoing

75.07/66.08/58.01 Peter, Neuadd Farm was thanked for collecting and disposing of the Christmas tree.

75.08/70.02 Councillor Hopley reported that he had visited the library and it was energy insufficient. He had taken the meter readings to gage usage over a week/month. The last bill of electricity would be sought in order to ascertain if the charges were correct.

75.09/72.02 Sea Watch had taken on the lease of the Paragon Offices. Therefore this

would no longer be an option of the Welsh Ambulance Trust.

75.10/72.04 Five Councillors had received a dispensation to speak only on the development in Uplands Square at a recent Ethics and Standards Committee meeting.

75.11/72.05 The restoration of the old benches – quotes for the work would be sought by Councillor Potter as agreed at the last meeting.

## **76 County Councillor Report**

76.01 Repairs on Park Street were due to start on the 25 February for 3 weeks. Members raised concern regarding large vehicles being diverted to Towyn Road. A copy of the diversion route/traffic plan would be obtained.

76.02 Works to repair the road by the surgery would start on the first week of February.

76.03As previously reported, the bollards had been painted

76.04 Met with Nick Williams regarding a route to school through his land

76.05 There was a need to purchase 1 galloon of oxford blue paint for the street posts and 1 gallon of Black to paint black posts and bins.

76.06 As previously reported, two benches had been removed and were being repainted at Neuadd Farm

76.07 It was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mike Nunn from Marine Terrace for purchasing the Christmas lights.

76.08 There was a need to discuss the tree survey.

## **77 Finance**

Opening Balance £25,654.16 (£779.36 ring fenced for defibrillator £500.00 towards the Dylan Thomas Project)

77.01 Clerk Salary & Expenses £265.00

77.02 Clerk back pay £37.06 (January) £37.06

77.03HMRC (PAYE £71.76)

77.04 New Quay Memorial Hall Committee

£15.00

77.05 Website £60.00

Closing Balance £25,205.34 (£779.36 ring fenced for defibrillator and £500.00 towards the Dylan Thomas Project).

Closing balance for Town Council account £23,925.98

Review of the Budget for January was agreed.

## **78 Planning Applications.**

None.

## **79**

### **Correspondence**

79.01 A financial request from the organisers of Soap Box Derby (deferred from last meeting)- Following consideration, it was AGREED to donate £500.00 as this was a new event for the Town.

79.02 Risk Register 2018/9- it was AGREED to accept the register subject to amending the score for Councillors Allowance Severity score to 4.

79.03 Asset Register 2018/9- it was AGREED to accept the register subject to adding the value of defibrillators, 2 Flag poles, NQTC Flag, Litter bins, Dylan Thomas plaques. The ownership of the Tollboards would be sought.

79.04 Appointing an Internal and External Auditor for the 2018/9 Accounts- It was agreed that Iori Evans be appointed as internal auditor and Grant Thornton as external.

### **80 Arrangement for next meeting**

It was AGREED that the next meeting be held on Monday, 21 January 2019 at 7pm as the Clerk had a meeting with the Monitoring Officer and other Town and Community Clerks on the 28 January 2019.

### **81 Urgent items – discretion of the Chair**

81.01 An update on the three week collection was sought. Councillor Potter would seek the information.

81.02 A street light between Margaret Street and Adams Square was requested. Councillor Potter and the clerk would send an email to technical services.

81.03 The wall in High Terrace was being repaired, however, there had been a problem due to sewerage pipes issues

81.04 The chair reported that the Memorial Hall Committee had been successful in stage 1 of their grant application. They were now progressing with a further application .