

LLANGEFNI TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Full Council held at 6.30pm, **TUESDAY EVENING 7th of MAY 2019** in the Council Chamber, Shire Hall, Llangefni.

PRESENT : Cllr. Margaret Thomas (Deputy Mayor) - Chair
Cllr. Victor Hughes Cllr. Terry Jones
Cllr. John Lee Cllr. Non W. Parry
Cllr. Dylan W. Rees Cllr. Christine Roberts
Cllr. J. Egryn Lewis Cllr. J. Huw Owen
Cllr. Richard Parry Cllr. Ann Williams.

CLERK : Mr. Rhys Parry - Clerk
Ms. Linda Powell - Clerical Assistant.

In the absence of the Chair, Coun. Ieuan G. Davies, Coun. Margaret Thomas, Deputy Mayor, welcomed the Members and an Officers of Grŵp Adfywio Llangefni to the Meeting.

18/398 **APOLOGIES** : Cllr. Ieuan G. Davies – Mayor
Cllr. Arwel Môn Hughes, Cllr. Llinos Jones.
Cllr. Dylan W. Rees announced that he would have to leave the meeting at 7.30 pm.

18/399 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** : Cllr. Dylan W. Rees – Item 18/406 – Special Full Meeting 24.04.2019 – Draft Lease, Club House, Talwrn Road, Llangefni.

18/400 **NORTH WALES POLICE** - No representative

1 **Pen Derwydd Estate - Complaints**

2 **Car Park, Club House Site, Talwrn Road, Llangefni - Shelter**

Cllr. Egryn Lewis expressed his disappointment there was no Representative present again this month, to give an update on the above and other matters around the town. The Clerk explained that if the Officers needed to respond to an emergency before the Meeting, that meant they could not attend.

Cllr. J. Egryn Lewis suggested that if a Representative was not available then information could be provided to the Clerk, to be reported back to the Members.

Accept.

18/401 **PRESENTATIONS**

1 **Place Shaping** - An Officer had Apologised.

2 **Adfywio Llangefni** - An Officer from Grŵp Adfywio Llangefni reported that the Project was making progress in the town, as follows :

- **Llangefni Market** had grown and was thriving, the Social Enterprise was working with one of the Market people, there were many more Stalls and more were encouraged to attend;
- **Farmers' Market** - the Group was still trying to attract that Market to Llangefni, to be held monthly. Unfortunately the organizers of the Farmers' Market could not commit to attending throughout the Summer holidays. They would look again at this in the Autumn.
- **Community Wi-Fi** – not available at present but the Group would collaborate with Menter Môn and a Local Action Group to try to encourage businesses to take an interest. There would be feedback available regarding finding a Wi-Fi link and also picking up a signal.

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- **Dingle** - collaboration with the Social Enterprise and an Officer from Anglesey County Council to create circular tours linking the Town and the Dingle and including an art trail. Look at a plan for circular tours around Llangefni with distances shown, and the possibility of displaying them in windows of vacant shops in the town. An Officer requested permission to revive the Llangefni Leaflets and a draft would be available shortly. **Accept.**
Cllr. Non Parry drew attention to the woodwork/artwork around the Dingle area that had rotted and the need for restoration work. Cllr. Parry also asked whether grants were available for placing benches in this area. An officer from the Group would look into it and report back.
- **Mapping** – mapping work was progressing, Menter Môn would assist with the mapping over the coming months, linking with local Projects. The Grŵp Adfywio was looking for volunteers to assist with mapping, and a Timetable would soon be available in the Office.
- **New Projects** – tidying and painting the town's shops/buildings. Anglesey County Council was supporting this and looking into a financial scheme. Before proceeding with the painting, the Group would request assistance from Companies around the town, with larger businesses paying directly and smaller ones receiving assistance. An Officer suggested that the painting work be coordinated in colours suited to the town.
- **Signage** – Officers were keen to have signs around the town, showing the way to the places named above.

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TO ACCEPT THE ACCURACY OF THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING 01.04.2019

Cllr. Egryn Lewis Proposed and Cllr. J. Huw Owen Seconded acceptance of the Accuracy of the Minutes.

RESOLVED to accept the above.

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TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 01.04.2019

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Item 18/403.1 – Llangefni Flooding Prevention Partnership – Cllr. Non Parry confirmed that the next meeting would be on Thursday evening 9th May 2019 and she would report to the next Full Meeting.

Item 18/403.2 - GDPR - The Clerk asked the Members to confirm that their email etc. details were correct, before this was included as part of the password to complete the On Line Training. **Accept.**

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Item 18/403.3 – Railway Bridge, Glanhwfa Road - Members were disappointed that Network Rail's response stated that funding was not available to them at that time to restore the Railway Bridge. Following discussion on the content of the email, Cllr. Victor Hughes was keen to send the e-mail to Officers of Anglesey County Council, as the statutory body with responsibilities for the Bridge, to express the Town Council's dissatisfaction with Network Rail's response. **RESOLVED** to ask the Clerk to send Network Rail's response on to the Highways Department of Anglesey County Council for their comments on its contents. Cllr. Richard Parry reported that Organizations/Statutory Bodies were collaborating to reopen the Amlwch Line, that responsibilities for this did not fall on the Town Council and that Albert Owen and Rhun Ap Iorwerth were lobbying for it in Parliament.

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Item 403.4 – Sandbags – Cllr. Non Parry reported that the Highways Department, Anglesey County Council, had offered a suitable place to store the sandbags and a Local Company had provided a Container for it. Cllr. Parry expressed appreciation of this and suggested there should be recognition of it in the Local Papers. Cllr. Parry reported further

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that an Emergency Plan was in place and the Group was in discussion to look for grants for the people of Llangefni. **Accept**

4 **Item 403.5 – Extending the Cemetery** – The Clerk reported that a meeting had been arranged for Wednesday 22nd May 2019 at 1.00 in the Council Chamber, Shire Hall, with Officers of Anglesey County Council. There was an invitation to any Members available to attend, and the Office would send information to them as a reminder.

5 **Item 403.6 – C.C.T.V. System** – Cllr. Margaret Thomas reported that funding was needed to extend the CCTV cameras around the town and this would need to be looked at further. Cllr. Thomas drew attention to the lack of clarity in the Cameras' film due to the substantial growth of trees around the town, stating that the trees needed to be pruned to give a clear view. **RESOLVED** to contact Officers of Anglesey County Council, to inspect the trees.

6 **Item 403.7 – Llangefni Golf Course - NALC** – The Clerk reported that he had recently contacted an Officer from One Voice Wales to bring pressure to bear on NALC to look further into the Consultation process. After receiving this information, the Town Council would be in a situation to respond officially to the Public Consultation received by email dated 09.04.2019. Cllr. Dylan Rees reported that Public Consultation would be discussed in the County Council on 9th May. Cllr. Terry Jones drew attention to it being obvious that the Public Consultation process had not been followed correctly. **RESOLVED** to await the response from One Voice Wales before proceeding further. Cllr. Egryn Lewis was concerned, in relation to the above, the New School Consultation and the sale of the Shire Hall, that the correct process was not being followed with due diligence. **Accept.**

18/404 TO ACCEPT THE DECISIONS OF THE PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE 17.04.2019

Cllr. Egryn Lewis drew attention to Item 18/384.1 of the Minutes, where it appeared that 9 Applications had been considered during March/April 2019 whereas the list of decisions referred to 5 applications. The Clerical Assistant explained that recording 9 Applications was an error and that a list of 5 Applications was correct. **RESOLVED** to Accept the Minutes.

18/405 TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES SUB-COMMITTEE 24.04.2019

1 **2018/2019 Contributions** - Cllr. John Lee drew attention to the List of Contributions and declared that, as he understood it, the money was to be shared out amongst Local Organizations rather than National ones. The Chair explained that there were 3 categories; Llangefni Organisations, Anglesey Organisations and All Wales (National). The National Organisations would get no more than £25.00. **Accept.**

2 **To Accept the Report of the External Auditors, BDO 2017/2018** – Accept – no discussion. Following the above - **RESOLVED** to Accept the accuracy of the Minutes.

18/406 TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SPECIAL FULL MEETING – CLUB HOUSE –

DRAFT LEASE - 24.04.2019 – **RESOLVED** to Accept the accuracy of the Minutes. The Clerk explained that he was awaiting a response from the Solicitor regarding an explanation on Item 15.3 of the Draft Lease. Cllr. Egryn Lewis suggested including an Item on the Agenda of the Annual Meeting on 13.05.2019 regarding the above. **RESOLVED FURTHER** to discuss Item 15.3 of the Draft Lease at the Annual Meeting. Cllr. Dylan Rees was keen to move on to complete the Lease because Llangefni Football Club had moved up the League by attaining Welsh Alliance Division 1. The Chair confirmed that a letter congratulating the Team and Club had been sent recently to the Club Chair.

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Shelter, Car Park, Talwrn Road, Llangefni – The Clerk explained that the office had received a number of complaints about misuse of the Shelter and antisocial behaviour in the Car Park. Following a discussion, it was suggested the Shelter be moved from the Car Park and a Member suggested storing it temporarily until a suitable location was available. Following a vote it was **RESOLVED** to proceed to move the Shelter and store it for the time being. Cllr. Dylan Rees abstained from voting.

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TO RECEIVE ANY COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR

- 1 **05.04.2019 - Anglesey County Council- Council Chair's Charity Concert** - Cllr. Dylan Rees thanked everyone for their support on a very successful Occasion, with excellent entertainment and proceeds of £7,000.00 towards St. David's Hospice in Holyhead.
- 2 **11.04.2019 - Anglesey County Council- Film - "Resilience" at Oriel Môn** – Did not attend.
- 3 **12.04.2019 – Concert, St. Cyngar's Church – Proceeds of £320.00 towards Maintenance of the Organ** – A Successful Evening.
- 4 **12.04.2019 – MPCT – The Motivational Preparation College for Training Bangor Awards**
Apologised for absence - Cllr. Margaret Thomas reported that she was unfortunately unable to attend, but had attended in the past and it had been very beneficial to see the excellent work done to change the way ahead for young people.
- 5 **07.05.2019 – Beaumaris Town Council – Annual Meeting and Dinner 2019** – Apology.
- 6 **Cllr. Dylan Rees : Walking Tour around Anglesey's Coastline** - Cllr. Rees thanked everyone for supporting him on his walk around the Island, with the money collected going towards St David's Hospice.
For Information – Sunday 19.05.2019 – Between 10.00a.m. and 4.00p.m. Open Day at Llaur y Dref (Drop In) – An opportunity to see the Units and to ask questions. Cllr. Dylan Rees announced that Môn FM was advertising the scheme. Some of the Members were unable to attend on 19.05.2019 so it was **RESOLVED** to ask Anglesey County Council Officers whether another date to visit the Units could be arranged. **Accept.**
Annual Meeting 13.05.2019 – The Clerk suggested that Members have a Dinner after the Annual Meeting, as happened with other Town Councils. Cllr. Richard Parry did not agree and there was no further discussion.

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MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS

Cllr. Non Parry - Complaint - Corn Hir Estate - Cllr. Non Parry explained that she had received complaints from residents of Corn Hir Estate about vehicles parked in front of one of the houses. Other Councillors responded by saying they were also aware of this. The Clerk responded that advice he received from Officers of the SLCC was that it was not a matter for the Town Council to solve, because the property was not that Council's responsibility. Members agreed to ask Officers of Anglesey County Council to look at the matter. **Resolved** to accept the above.

Coun. Dylan W. Rees left the Meeting.

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REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

- 1 **Shire Hall** – The Clerk reported there was no change at that time, with the new Landlord visiting the Shire Hall in its entirety on 9th and 10th May 2019 to discuss options. An invitation had been extended to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to be present as part of the visit appertaining to the future location of the Town Council Office. The Clerk further reported that the County Council Solicitor had confirmed, in an email dated by 29.03.2019, that the sale of the freehold was going ahead, and that it would not affect or end the Lease

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that was in place until the year 2025. Members said no commitment should be made to conditions or a rent until legal advice was received. Cllr. J. Egryn Lewis reported that decisions were a matter for Full Council, after legal assistance had been received. Cllr. Margaret Thomas referred to the need to take into consideration the use of the Chamber and the cost of moving the CCTV, before consenting to any agreement.

RESOLVED To Accept the above and report back to Full Council on developments.

- 2 **Cricket Field** – The Clerk reported that he, together with the Deputy Mayor, had met the Solicitor acting for the Cricket Field Trustees on 4th April 2019, to bring the matter to a head and complete the transfer to the Town Council. The Solicitor had promised to respond in writing to the Town Council within a fortnight of the meeting. The Clerk stated that no response had been received. The Clerk further reported that the Trustees were keen to move ahead with the transfer and emphasized that the field was only to be used for sports. The Clerk expressed his disappointment that the matter had continued since October 2018 without any progress being achieved. **Accept.**

- 3 **Gorsedd Site – Environment and Community Improvement Fund** - The Clerk reported that he was awaiting the Heads of Terms document back from the Town Council’s Solicitor before completing the transfer. The Clerk further reported that the Environment Panel, Anglesey County Council, had approved grant funding of £3,100 towards costs; flowers, tubs, benches and removing bramble. **Accept.**

18/410 **REPORTS OF EXTERNAL COMMITTEES**

- 1 **Adfywio Llangefni Meeting – 09.04.2019** – An officer from that Group led the Members through the main items discussed – the majority had been included under Item 18/401.2 of these Minutes. Cllr. Egryn Lewis noted that no Minutes of the Grŵp Adfywio had been received since the meeting of 29.01.2019. An Officer of the Group confirmed that Minutes were sent to the Town Council after every Meeting. Cllr. J. E. Lewis was concerned about the timetable for grant applications to Anglesey County Council. An Officer of the Group would look at this and report back in due course. **Accept.**

- 2 **Public Toilets** – An Officer of the Group and Members agreed there had been no change in the situation regarding the town’s public toilets, which were open at that time. Anglesey County Council had not come forward with any more information regarding the future of the toilets. **Accept.**

The Chair thanked the Officer for her contribution to the Meeting.

18/411 **FINANCE**

- 1 **Financial Statement for April 2019** - Cllr. Egryn Lewis drew attention to one of the payments. The Clerk explained that it was a salary payment to a temporary Staff Member. In accordance with this, Cllr. Terry Jones Proposed and Cllr. Richard Parry Seconded Acceptance of the Financial Statement.

RESOLVED to Accept the Financial Statement.

- 2 **Insurance for 2019/2020** - The Clerk reported that an estimate had been received, in the sum of £3,371 from Came and Company, after a Representative of the Company had visited to view the Town Council’s Assets. It was a saving of about £1,000 compared to the current Insurance Company, Zurich, and the Estimate included Key Man Cover of £400.00 for employed staff. Cllr. J. Egryn Lewis Proposed Acceptance and Cllr. Non Parry Seconded.

RESOLVED to Accept the Estimate from Came and Company for the year 2019/2020.

Coun. John Lee left the Meeting and drew attention to the large amount of litter around the development of the former Penrallt School, which was harmful to the appearance of the Dingle area.

18/412 ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL MONTHLY REPORT

The County Councillor had reported on the above before leaving the meeting at 7.30pm but it was recorded in the order in which it appeared on the Agenda.

Cllr. Dylan Rees reported on the following :

- School Consultation – Llangefni Area : Executive to cancel their previous decisions on the Statutory Consultation process;
- Consultation to recommence under the New School Organization Code, published in November 2018;
- The Town Council and Community would have an opportunity to express an opinion and respond to the Consultation;
- A New School to be opened in Newborough under the 21st Century Schools Strategy.

18/413 STANDARDS COMMITTEE REVIEW - ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL

- 1** **Report 16.04.2019** : The Clerk reported that a copy of the above Report was included as an appendix to the Agenda Pack for the Full Meeting on 07.05.2019 in advance of that meeting to give the Members an opportunity to peruse the Report. Following a discussion, Members responded that the Report suggested that Councillors attend more training in order to be more effective as Councillors.

RESOLVED that the Members were prepared to accept training, and to send that information on to the County Council.

- 2** **Training and Development for Councillors and Clerks of Town and Community Councils**
Email dated 01.05.2019 received by the Chair of the Standards Committee – No discussion.

18/414 CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW ITEMS

- 1** **Letter from Seafarers UK dated March 2019 – “Fly The Red Ensign” – 03.09.2019**
An occasion that was within the remit of Anglesey County Council.

18/415 CORRESPONDENCE : FOR INFORMATION (Matters sent by email)

- 1** **One Voice Wales - Accept**
2 **Other Matters - Accept.**

18/416 TO CONSIDER ANY URGENT BUSINESS BY THE MAYOR

Voting Paper to Represent One Voice Wales in the Betsi Cadwaladr Stakeholder Reference Group – The Clerk confirmed that the ballot had been sent, following Cllr. Egryn Lewis’ proposal of support for one of the Candidates.

18/417 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – Monday Evening 3rd of June 2019
Annual General Meeting – Monday Evening 13th of May 2019

Cllr. MARGARET THOMAS
CHAIR