



## MINUTES

(236)

The monthly meeting of the Newcastle Emlyn Town Council was held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at 7:30pm in the Teifi Valley Day Centre, Newcastle Emlyn, the Mayor, Cllr Peter Lewis presided. Present: Cllr Hazel Evans, Cllr Pauline Evans, Cllr Alan Davies, Cllr Alan Jones, Cllr Maureen Webley, Mrs Vanessa Owens, members of the public and press.

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PC Diane Williams attended the meeting; she informed the Council that there was a new Sergeant based at Newcastle Emlyn who was unfortunately unable to attend the meeting and a new officer Tessa Heath. She provided a report of the fair which had been a successful evening with no calls from the public; they had checked 20 individuals and seized alcohol from underage youths. Cllr Peter Lewis responded that he had walked through the fair and felt the extra police presence in the town was excellent in that they could respond to minor incidents straight away; he raised concerns about underage obtaining alcohol but it was felt that it had been brought into the town and not purchased in the town shops.

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She informed the meeting of the discovery of a grave in a local garden; it was dated between 1892 and 1902 and contained four infants. Police are looking into the circumstances of the grave and would appreciate any assistance with local knowledge. She made initial enquiries with the Council about assisting towards the cost of relocating the grave, the councillors were sympathetic to the situation but it was felt that the amount would need to be known before any commitment could be made.

(239)

Cllr Hazel Evans reported problems with parking in Ebenezer Street.

(240)

Cllr Pauline Evans reported problems with vehicles parking opposite Emlyn garage.

(241)

Cllr Peter Lewis made a request for Porth Street to be closed for the Victorian night on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December. It was felt that this would not be a problem.

1. Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb  
Apologies for Absence

(242)

Apologies were received from Cllr Fiona White, Cllr Cefin Evans, Cllr Odette Little, Cllr Kelvin Baker, Cllr Haydn Jones.

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

3. I Gymeradwyo Cofnodion Cyfarfod 16.07.09  
To approve the Minutes of the Meeting 16.07.09

(243)

Item 231 needs to read Evans not Jones and item 206 read Davies not Evans. Subject to these changes Cllr Pauline Evans proposed that the minutes be accepted as correct; this was seconded by Cllr Alan Davies and agreed by a majority. The minutes were signed accordingly.

(244)

Cllr Alan Jones proposed that the minutes of the Procedures Review Committee were accepted as correct; this was seconded by Cllr Pauline Evans and agreed by a majority.

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

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4. Materion yn codi  
Matters arising

(245)

Ref 01/08 Car Park Signs

Cllr Hazel Evans, Cllr Odette Little and Cllr Haydn Jones had completed a review of the signs and made a list of requirements. Cllr Haydn Jones had reported to the clerk that hopefully an officer will be out to review.

(246)

Ref 04/08 Christmas Lights Traffic/Damage Incident

Clerk has informed the insurance assessor that there was never a police report filed at the time of the incident and that the Town Council are not able to say definitively if the cable was at the right height. The assessor is to report this back to the insurance company.

(247)

Ref 10/08 Streetlights

Cllr Haydn Jones reported that the overnight switch off will take place slowly in line with town council requests.

(248)

Ref 11/08 Questionnaire re Parking

It was agreed that this item can be removed from the list.

(249)

Ref 12/08 Recycling bins

Nothing has been resolved with the recycling bins in the car park. Clerk to contact Cllr Haydn Jones regarding this item.

(250)

Ref 16/08 Castle Management Agreement

Cllr Alan Jones reported that all the relevant information has been forwarded and are now waiting on CADW.

(251)

Ref 17/08 CCTV Emlyn Square

The CCTV upgrade work is in hand.

(252)

Ref 18/08 Market car park pot holes

The pot holes have now all been filled and it was agreed that this item could be removed from the list.

(253)

Ref:21:09/08 Roseberry House

Clerk has made further enquiries with Planning Department but has not received a reply.

(254)

Ref: 23:09/08 Pavements

Clerk has requested a copy of the County Council review but nothing received to date.

(255)

Ref: 25:09/08 Mart chains

It was felt that there was still a problem with vehicles driving into the mart chains. It was agreed that Cllr Peter Lewis would make initial contact with the mart operators.

(256)

Ref: 26 09/08 Mart car park

Clerk has written again to LloydsTSB regarding the rear wall also noting the recent damage to its corner but has not received a reply to date.

The work outside the school been not been done, clerk to chase this up.

(257)

Ref 28 10/08 Picnic Table

Clerk has asked Mr Wyn Davies to have a look at the table and repair if necessary.

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Ref 29 10/08 Mayoral Chain

Ongoing

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Ref 34 10/08 Bus shelter at CK's

The agreed new bus shelter has not been put in yet.

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Ref 35 10/08 River Walk

Ongoing

(261)

Ref 36 10/08 Web site

Clerk has requested electronic copy of town leaflet from Carmarthenshire County Council, this information can then be put onto the website. The web site is not actually live and it was felt that this could now be organised.

(262)

Ref:37 01/09 Councils rubbish

Problems with council rubbish have now been addressed. There are ongoing problems with the rubbish at the playground, it was agreed that this should be referred back to the playground committee.

(263)

Ref: 38 01/09 New litter bin by mart car park

Clerk has contacted Carmarthenshire County Council again regarding this.

(264)

Ref: 40 01/09 Town sign

A new sign has been put in place. This item can now be removed from the list.

(265)

Ref: 45 02/09 Safe access to market car park

Cllr Haydn Jones reported that the review of the traffic flow situation has not yet been done.

(266)

Ref 48 04/09 Attic theatre lease.

Cllr Peter Lewis and Cllr Alan Jones to organise a suitable time to review the condition of the building. An email had been received from the theatre group informing of a broken window; Cllr Peter Lewis to take a look and organise repair. The lock on the gents toilets has been changed and the Attic theatre require a key for when the theatre is open, clerk to organise.

(267)

Ref 50 06/09 Toilets

The new contractor has started. Additional hours are required in order to get the toilets up to a standard for keeping clean on a daily basis. There are no initial problems and things seem to be running smoothly. Cllr Peter Lewis had received a request for a small set of steps to assist with cleaning outside; Cllr Alan Jones had Health & Safety concerns linked to the use of steps and ladders. Cllr Lewis to consider.

(268)

Ref 53/07/09 Sewerage issues

An email had been received from Dwr Cymru suggesting meeting with Area manager, Richard Lewis. Clerk to arrange a suitable date.

(269)

Ref 54/09/09 Castle

The clerk reported that CADW only have signs that are exclusive to them and their sites but have provided examples of their wording so the Council can produce our own signs. Clerk enquired about a suitable company as to date the CCTV signs have not been produced though ordered. Cllr Alan Jones noted a firm local to him, clerk to forward relevant information for him to organise. Waiting to hear back for Carmarthenshire County Council regarding the agreement and liability issues.

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

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(270)

Ref 55/09/09 Christmas Lights.

Crane Aid have been in contact with the Clerk regarding an inspection. The current certificate is still valid for Carmarthenshire County Council requirements.

Cllr Peter Lewis reported that the new bracket has been completed and arrangements need to be made to fit lights back up.

Consent forms from Carmarthenshire County Council have been received; Cllr Peter Lewis to complete.

5. Gohebiaeth  
Correspondence

(271)

Trinity University College prospectus

Yr Ardd – magazine from Botanic Garden of Wales

Information from Emlyn Arms Hotel

Thank you letter from Emlyn Swimming Pool Management Committee

Thank you letter from HUTS

Thank you letter from Tivyside Show.

Letter from Carmarthenshire County Council regarding abandoned shopping trolleys.

Correspondence was noted.

6. Adroddiadau Pwyllgorau  
Committee reports

(272)

Cllr Hazel Evans had attended the One Voice Wales AGM; She reported back about the Local Government Order and Working in Partnership. Membership Fees are to increase by 5%.

(273)

Cllr Alan Jones reported that the Hanes Emlyn AGM has been held and officers had remained in their positions.

(274)

The Victorian night is to be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. A request that the Town Council meet the cost of providing a land train and a ride at the bottom of Porth Street, about £200, instead of the advertising costs had been received. Cllr Hazel Evans proposed that the Town Council agree to this request, this was seconded by Cllr Alan Davies and passed by a majority.

7. Ceisiadau Cynllunio  
Planning Applications

(275)

GRANTED - W/21578 Construction of Control Kiosk CK's Supermarket, Station Rd, NCE

REFUSED – W/20805 Demolition of existing car showroom and offices/former motor factors/outlet residential bungalow and construction of a retail convenience store with associated car parking provision and ancillary infrastructure. Land of Tanyard Lane, Newcastle Emlyn.

8. Materion Arianol  
Financial Matters

(276)

Monthly budget sheet was provided

Current a/c bank balance as at 07.09.09	£ 8459.04
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Reserve a/c balance as at 07.10.09	£ 1343.03
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The following were agreed for payment

£326.00 Mr Wyn Davies – toilets

£34.76 Swallow Office Supplies

£109.40 S V Owens –Expenses

£107.92 JBH Supplies Ltd

£82.61 Mr O Hesford

£86.25 Barry Evans

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

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(278)

Grant request received from Victim Support Cymru  
Grant request from Carmarthen & Dist Youth Opera 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary production  
Grant request from Urdd Eisteddfod 2010 Ceredigion – clerk to check up previous donations.

(279)

Letter from BIFA inviting council to join direct debit scheme; it was agreed to continue paying by cheque to assist in monitoring cost.

9. Adroddiadau Timau Cynllun  
Project Team Reports

(280)

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as correct. Cllr Maureen Webley informed the meeting that they are looking at first round of the Heritage Lottery funding and requested a meeting; date was agreed of Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 6:30 in the Council Chambers.

10. Unrhyw Faterion Eraill  
Any Other Business

(281)

The adoption of new standing orders and financial regulations was passed to the next monthly meeting..

(282)

An invitation for two councillors to attend Working Together Enhancing our Communities Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Nov at Ffos Las racecourse 9am – 3pm had been received. Cllr Hazel Evans to attend, Cllr Alan Jones will confirm if he is able.

(283)

Nomination forms were received from Carmarthenshire County Council regarding Carmarthenshire Sports Personality Awards & Carmarthenshire Sporting Hall of Fame. It was felt that the information would most likely have been received by relevant organisations and that the town council had no nominations.

(284)

The playground committee requested permission to use the castle grounds and tables for the annual bonfire, this was agreed. It was noted that the lockable post had been broken at the gate entrance. A copy of the playground committee press release had been received.

(285)

An email had been received via One Voice Wales requesting the Town Council to support its consultation response regarding the Proposed Local Government Order by contacting local MP's and AM's, council was in support of this, clerk to arrange.

(286)

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

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There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:30pm.

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