MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2014 AT 7.00 PM IN THE TOWN HALL

PRESENT: The Town Mayor Councillor D G Jones

The Deputy Mayor Councillor I Davies

Councillor C M Brimecombe

Councillor F R Carr Councillor J R Carr

Councillor G Evans Jones Councillor D W Gallichan Councillor A J V Grant Councillor J W Jones Councillor B L Kotkowicz Councillor R J Parry Councillor C J Theakston Councillor J P Zalot Councillor S Zalot

The Town Clerk was in attendance

APOLOGIES: There were no apologies for absence

The Deputy Mayor took the Chair

109.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor I Davies declared a prejudicial interest in item 115.1.8 (Donation request) as a Scout leader

Councillor I Davies declared a prejudicial interest in item 115.1.9 (Iorwerth Rowlands Centre) as a leader of a group that uses the Centre

Councillor B Kotkowicz declared an interest in item 115.1.10 (Llanfaes Community Shop) as a Committee member

Councillor C Theakston declared a prejudicial interest in item 115.1.10 (Llanfaes Community Shop) as a Committee member

Councillor J Zalot declared a prejudicial interest in item 122.3 (Closure of Haulfre) as his wife is an employee of Haulfre

110.0 VISIT BY MR HUW PERCY, CHIEF ENGINEER (NETWORK), ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL, TO DISCUSS A PROPOSED ONE-WAY TRAFFIC SYSTEM

The Chairman welcomed Mr Percy to the meeting.

Mr Percy gave the background to the problems, outlined the results of the traffic survey and presented the options and issues. He explained that the next stage would be a consultation with residents affected by the proposals. The support of Beaumaris Town Council would be needed before the consultation.

Recommendation to Council:

To support the proposal to make Church Street one way (up the hill).

Various options for changes to parking restriction were discussed.

Recommendation to Council:

To support consultation on three proposals:

1 Parking restrictions further along Wexham Street to create a passing bay

- 2 Parking restrictions at the junction with Wexham Place to protect access and create a passing bay
- 3 Parking restrictions between Rating Row and Crofton Mews to reduce congestion

To give flexibility in implementing the proposals, separate orders will be prepared.

The proposed scheme brings the opportunity for a crossing in Castle Street, Several options for relocating the disabled parking bays opposite the Town Hall were discussed, including remodelling of the coach pick-up point and the bus stop.

Recommendation to Council:

To support in principle the creation of a crossing close to the Town Hall and relocation of the disabled parking bays.

The subject of a residents' parking scheme was discussed. In Mr Percy's view the fundamental problem of insufficient parking spaces for the number of residents' cars would not be solved by a residents' parking scheme.

111.0 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no Planning Applications

112.0 TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

112.1 12C444A/SCR Rear of the Castle, Beaumaris

Screening opinion for the erection of bunding No EIA required

112.2 12C255A Community Hall, Llanfaes

Change of use of part of Community Hall into Community Shop Approved

112.3 30C630A Ynys Uchaf, Brynteg

Outline application for an anaerobic digestion plant Withdrawn

113.0 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

113.1 Consultation on proposals to reform the Planning System in Wales

The Town Clerk outlined the objectives for the proposal.

113.2 Permissions for exterior alterations to 11 Church Street

It is reported that members of the public have expressed concern at the changes being made to the building in the Conservation Area.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to the Planning Authority asking for evidence that the necessary planning permissions and consents were given.

114.0 BILLS FOR PAYMENT

114.1 Balances as at 27 January 2014

Business Direct Reserve	153,804.70*
General	28,925.66
Imprest	2,538.08

Total £185,152.85

114.2 Imprest account payments since last meeting on 23 December 2013

	December Pay (Christmas & New Year period)	3,933.55
Net HM	anuary 2014 Pay RC ynedd Council	486.58 1,336.00 707.18
	January Pay	486.58
	January Pay (including back pay)	524.85
114.3 Bill	s for payment	
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It was resolved nem con that the bills be paid.

115.0 CORRESPONDENCE

115.1 Correspondence read out

115.1.1 Anglesey County Council: Potential cuts to bus services

The alternative for Coleg Menai students involves a change in Menai Bridge. **Recommendation to Council:**

To respond to Anglesey County Council asking that they ensure that the connecting buses wait for the connection.

^{*} In addition to this sum £20,000 is set aside for the year-to-year working balance.

115.1.2 Anglesey County Council: Repairs to Day Centre roof Recommendation to Council:

To send a copy of the letter to the MP, AM and Older People's Commissioner pointing out that the Town Council always suspected an intention to sell.

115.1.3 Anglesey & Gwynedd Local Service Board

Several Councillors intend to go.

115.1.4 Anglesey County Council: Education Review

Councillors noted the response.

115.1.5 Anglesey County Council: Anglesey Half Marathon – proposed road closures

Councillors noted that the road northwards from Gallows Point will be open. Huw Percy reported that it is the intention to re-open the road at 11.30 am **Recommendation to Council:**

To agree to the road closure.

115.1.6 Always Aim High Events: Request to raise barrier for above race Recommendation to Council:

To agree to the request and warn the organisation of the spring tides that weekend.

115.1.7 Letters re closure of HSBC Bank from Albert Owen MP and County Councillor Alwyn Rowlands

Recommendation to Council:

- 1 To agree to the request for a meeting
- 2 Thank Councillor Rowlands for his letter and invite him to the meeting with Albert Owen MP

115.1.8 1st Beaumaris Sea Scouts: Donation request

The Deputy Mayor left the meeting Councillor S Zalot took the Chair

Recommendation to Council:

To request a bank statement before making a donation

115.1.9 Iorwerth Rowlands Centre: Donation request Recommendation to Council:

To respond requesting that three quotes be provided before the request can be considered.

The Deputy Mayor rejoined the meeting and took the Chair

115.1.10 County Councillor Lewis Davies: Community Shop in Llanfaes

Councillors Kotkowicz and Theakston left the meeting

Councillors noted that the Town Council has supported the Community Centre for many years and that they applaud the initiative in setting up the Community Shop.

Recommendation to Council:

To thank Councillor Davies for the letter, re-state the Council's support, that it wants to give the shop every opportunity to succeed, and that a future specific request for support will be sympathetically considered.

Councillors Kotkowicz and Theakston rejoined the meeting

115.1.11 One Voice Wales: Anglesey Area Committee meeting on 29 January 2014

Councillor F Carr is the Town Council representative and will attend

115.1.12 Queen's Baton Relay for Commonwealth Games

Councillors noted the plans

115.1.13 Anglesey Offshore Dinghy Race: Request to use Green Recommendation to Council:

To agree to the request

115.1.14 Forthcoming visit by Nat West Bank staff

Recommendation to Council:

To see if the Business Manager can also attend

115.1.15 Community Improvement Grants

Recommendation to Council:

To forward details to Llanfaes Community Centre and the Allotments Society

115.2 Correspondence not read out

115.2.1	Rowland Thomas ACC	New Flood Defences/press release
115.2.2	Huw Percy, ACC	Menai Bridge High Street
115.2.3	Anglesey C Council	T & C Councils Liaison Meeting 23 January
115.2.4	Anglesey C Council	Signage for Leisure Centre
115.2.5	Anglesey C Council	Town Council Minutes 1979-1982
115.2.6	Anglesey C Council	Economic Development Newsletter
115.2.7	Gwynedd Council	LGPS Presentations 2014
115.2.8	Gwynedd Council	LGPS Final Valuation Reports
115.2.9	Welsh Government	Commission on Public Service Governance
115.2.10	Welsh Government	Proposals for UK Marine Monitoring Programmes
115.2.11	Welsh Government	WTAB Appointment of Chair
115.2.12	Welsh Government	'Words in Action' Awards 2014
115.2.13	One Voice Wales	Wales this Week Burial Plot Survey
115.2.14	One Voice Wales	Training Courses 2014
115.2.15	One Voice Wales	Ballot paper, rep to Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board
115.2.16	One Voice Wales	Supporting Victims Conference 3 March
115.2.17	One Voice Wales	Wales in Bloom Questionnaire
115.2.18	One Voice Wales	Partnership with Town & Community Councils
115.2.19	SLCC	Courses February & March
115.2.20	SLCC	ILCM Survey
115.2.21	Castle Players	Donation from proceeds of 'Beauty & the Beast'
115.2.22	North Wales Police	Police & Crime Plan Revised Draft
115.2.23	Tom C Griffiths	The late W S Evans, Headmaster information request
115.2.24	N W Fire Service	Fire Safety Documents
115.2.25	Welsh Language Society	Joint Planning Policy Unit
115.2.26	'No Pylons' Group	Public meeting 24 January
115.2.27	Gwynedd Woodturners	2014, 2015 and 2016 Town Hall bookings
115.2.28	Merlin Fireworks	Beaumaris Fireworks 2013
115.2.29	Colin Hughes	NWWTFC Golf Tournament 15 August
115.2.30	Medwyn Jones	Denbigh heritage Lectures
115.2.31	Comm Health Council	News Releases 09 and 22 January
115.2.32	One Voice Wales	Post Office Advisory Council
115.2.33	Kenny Owen	3 Castles Welsh Classic Trial 5 June documents
115.2.34	Playdale	Inspection reports Happy Valley/Pool area
115.2.35	Simon Bunting	Availability of sandbags
115.2.36	Beaumaris Churches	Parish Newsletter January 2014
115.2.37	Marie Curie Cancer Care	Donation request
115.2.38		Donation request
115.2.39	Eisteddfod Mon 2014	Donation request
115.2.40	E-on	Exit Barrier contract renewal
115.2.41	North Wales Tourism	Re-opening at Pringles 25 January

115.2.42	Mortons Media Group	'The Magic of Piers'
115.2.43	Victoria Cottage	Seagull Culling petition
115.2.44	Francioli Creation	Economic Public Toilets Solutions
115.2.45	Business Wales	Contracts of Employment Workshops

116.0 TO RECEIVE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

116.1 Greens & Buildings dated 20 January 2014

116.1.1 Item 3.2

It was agreed nem con to replace the words 'Car Park Hut' with 'Green Attendants' Hut'

Recommendation to Council:

To adopt the recommendations of the Sub-Committee

117.0 REPORT ON TOWN & COMMUNITY COUNCILS LIAISON MEETING HELD BY ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL

Councillor S Zalot reported on what was a constructive meeting. Beaumaris Town Council was the only Community Council to respond to the Budget Consultation.

118.0 RATES ESTIMATES AND PROPOSED CHARGES 2014-2015

The Town Clerk pointed out a small change in the Precept calculation due to a reduction in the number of Band 'D' properties in town.

Recommendation to Council:

To approve the Rates Estimates and Proposed Changes 2014-2015

119.0 SHOP LEASES

It was resolved to take the item at the end of the meeting so that press and the public could be excluded.

120.0 WORLD WAR I CENTENARY COMMEMORATIONS

120.1 Floral Displays

The Town Clerk reported discussions with the company that maintains the existing flower beds.

Recommendation to Council:

- 1 Create a poppy-themed commemorative design in one of the flower beds on the Green
- 2 Scatter poppy seeds in appropriate places (Happy Valley, Cemetery, Church Garden and in front of the War Memorial)
- 3 Use a red-themed display at Cae Mair flower bed and in the hanging baskets and planters

120.2 Proposed by Councillor G Evans Jones, seconded by Councillor J Zalot A memorial be constructed on the Green Promenade Recommendation to Council:

By way of a more permanent commemoration:

- 1 Place an anchor (with plaque) on the sea front
- 2 Create a new memorial flower bed on the Green

120.3 Events

Recommendation to Council:

To set up a Committee (including external members) to organise and coordinate events

121.0 CHARITY SHOPS IN CASTLE STREET

Concern was expressed that exemption from business rates allows Charity shops to offer inflated rents for High Street properties.

122.0 OLDER ADULT SOCIAL CARE

122.1 Public Consultation

Councillors noted the information provided in the Consultation letter

122.2 Bequest of Haulfre: Will of late J F Chadwick

Recommendation to Council:

To take the matter up with the Ombudsman

122.3 Notice of Closure of Haulfre

Councillor J Zalot left the meeting

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that family members of residents have reported that residents have been told that Haulfre will close in three years time. Residents will be moved to 40 new units of sheltered accommodation to be provided in Beaumaris.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council to establish what their plans are and to ask where the 40 new units will go.

Councillor J Zalot rejoined the meeting.

123.0 PROPOSED MERGER OF ANGLESEY AND GWYNEDD COUNTY COUNCILS Recommendation to Council:

To support creation of a local authority based on the A55 corridor incorporating Anglesey, the Bangor area and merging with Conwy. This would create a more coherent region than that proposed. The case will be made when we have the opportunity to comment.

124.0 SHOP LEASES

It was resolved to exclude the press and public for reasons of commercial confidentiality.

The Town Clerk reported negotiations with the tenant.

Recommendation to Council:

To agree to the compromise figures suggested.

It was resolved to re-admit the press and public.

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm

	Chairman
	Councillor I Davies
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