

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 3 JULY 2017 AT 7.00 PM IN THE TOWN HALL**

PRESENT: The Town Mayor Councillor F R Carr
The Deputy Mayor Councillor C M Brimecombe
Councillor J R Carr
Councillor I Davies
Councillor G Evans-Jones
Councillor D W Gallichan
Councillor A J V Grant
Councillor M Jones
Councillor J A Rowlands
Councillor C J Theakston
Councillor J P Zalot
Councillor S Zalot

The Town Clerk was in attendance

APOLOGIES: Councillor R J Parry

The Town Mayor took the Chair

12.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Rowlands declared a prejudicial interest in item 17.3 Universal Credit Hub as Chair of Ynys Mon CAB

13.0 VISIT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR LEWIS DAVIES TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON RECENT LOCAL ISSUES

It was resolved nem con to move into Committee.

Councillor Davies referred to several local issues, completion of the Play Area in Llanfaes and planned work by Highways around the town.

He has raised the issue of the van parked in Castle Street with Trading Standards and Highways. A parking restriction sign that should be there appears to be missing.

In response to comments made by Councillors, Councillor Davies undertook to raise several issues with the County Council: double yellow lines between Cae Mair junction and the Rectory, condition of footpaths between Bryn Hyfryd and the Church, plus more double yellow lines in New Street to protect access by fire engines and ambulances.

There was a discussion on the consultation on the future of Beaumaris Primary School. Councillor Davies was pressed on his views, given his support for Llangoed School. He stated that he wanted to retain three schools in the area. It would be wrong for a town like Beaumaris to be without a school. Councillor Davies encouraged as many people as possible in Beaumaris to respond as weight of numbers is important. In particular, he asked all Councillors to respond individually. In response to a question from Councillor Jones, Councillor Davies made it clear that he was not proposing that his suggested letter be simply copied and signed. Education Department officers have made it clear that individually expressed comments carry more weight than standard letters of petition. Councillors asked that Councillor Davies make this point to the Head and Governors of the School. An amendment to Councillor Davies' letter that clarified the point was agreed. The list of the proposed repair work at the school was examined. Many of the items can be phased and others can hardly be considered priorities. It also raised concerns over why the Education Authority had allowed such a backlog of work to build up. Councillor

Theakston made a case that the only way to save the school was to formulate a response using the information in the consultation document that saved Beaumaris and the other two schools. The combination of federation and size reduction would save £71,000. A new 'superschool' would cost a large amount yet only save £51,000. Such an approach would enable all three communities to work together. Councillor Davies' involvement and support would be important. Several Councillors supported this suggestion. Unfortunately, under Welsh Government proposals, Beaumaris is not counted as a rural school unlike Llandegfan and Llangoed. Councillors were of the view that Beaumaris should be considered to be a rural school. Councillor Theakston reiterated that it is important to comment and that there is only limited time to put together an alternative proposal.

Councillor G Evans-Jones joined the meeting

The proposals to use the school site for extra care housing were discussed. The need for social housing for younger people is equally pressing. It would also help counter the growing number of holiday homes and lets which is damaging the community. During the discussion, the fact that this part of Anglesey is not represented on the County Council Cabinet was raised as a concern. Councillor Davies suggested that the Town Council invite the Leader and Chief Executive to a meeting to put the Town Council's concerns.

It was resolved nem con to go back into Council.

14.0 TO CONFIRM AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 5 JUNE 2017

14.1 Minute 2.0

Captain Gordon should be Captain Gofton

It was resolved to send a letter of thanks to Mr Des Harrison on his retirement as Chair of the Branch.

14.2 Minute 7.8

Councillors were reminded that changes to the plans for Wylfa give an opportunity to challenge the housing allocation of the Local Development Plan, which was based on new housing being needed in the west of Anglesey to support the project. Given recent news about Hinkley Point, there must be a question mark over the future of Wylfa.

With the above points, it was resolved nem con to confirm the minutes as a true and correct record.

15.0 TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 26 JUNE 2017

15.1 A comment will be added to state that before the meeting Councillor R Parry was taken ill and was taken home by Councillors Davies and Theakston

15.2 Minute 21.3 Payment 4993

In response to a Councillor's question, it was confirmed that the cheque was paid. The Bank have been asked to contact the office rather than individual Councillors if there are concerns about cheques in future. Alternative arrangements for transferring money to the Imprest account will be explored.

15.3 Minute 22.1.11

Extra litter bins on the Pier were welcomed, however recycling litter bins are needed also and would support the objectives of the puppet event. It was resolved nem con to request recycling bins for Happy Valley and the Pier.

15.4 Minute 22.1.16

It was confirmed that the event will be at 6.00 pm

15.5 Minute 23.0

The comment should be that the Church has taken on joint responsibility not some responsibility.

The Town Clerk reported on progress. Following a meeting with the Rector it had been agreed that Grosvenor will fit new brackets using rope access at a cost that is less than was quoted by Cumbria Clock Co. The Town Council will be paying on behalf of the community but will not take further responsibility if Faculty decide that the brackets need to be changed later. The contractor has said that the new brackets are hardly different to what is already there. Councillors asked that any pointing repairs needed to ensure that the stonework was fit to support the clock faces is done at the same time.

15.6 Minute 28.0

Councillor S Zalot remarked that he did not know whether the complaint referred to his company specifically, or to kiosk operators in general.

With the above points, it was resolved nem con to adopt the recommendations of the Committee.

16.0 EXTRA BILLS FOR PAYMENT

4996	Rowena	46.96
4997	Ysgol David Hughes	50.00
4998	Playdale Playgrounds	749.50
4999	Plantscape	3,528.00
Total		£4,374.46

It was resolved nem con that the bills be paid.

17.0 CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 Planning Application 12C17B Olinda, Rating Row, Beaumaris

Full application to change the windows and render

Planning application 12C17A/LB Olinda, Rating Row, Beaumaris

Listed Building Consent for the above

It was resolved nem con to recommend approval.

17.2 Anglesey County Council: A545 Landslip at Cemetery

Anglesey County Council's support for a lower cost project was welcomed.

It was resolved nem con to give the Town Clerk powers to act to progress the matter.

17.3 Jackie Blackwell Ynys Mon CAB: Universal Credit Hub

Councillor Rowlands left the meeting.

It was resolved nem con to receive the email.

Councillor Rowlands rejoined the meeting

17.4 Camp Project Wales

It was resolved nem con to agree to the request to visit on three additional days.

18.0 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor and Mayoress attended the following recent events:

10 June RNLi 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance

- 16 June Beaumaris Castle event to view restored Chapel windows
- 18 June Caernarfon Mayor's Sunday
- 23 June Bull's Head opening of new Restaurant area
- 30 June RAF Valley Annual Reception

- 2 July Canolfan Beaumaris Charity Cycle Race

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

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Town Mayor
Councillor F R Carr

Date