

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 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 G Evans-Jones
Councillor D W Gallichan
Councillor A J V Grant
Councillor M Jones
Councillor B L Kotkowicz
Councillor R J Parry
Councillor J A Rowlands
Councillor J P Zalot

The Town Clerk was in attendance

APOLOGIES: Councillor I Davies
Councillor C J Theakston
Councillor S Zalot

The Town Mayor took the Chair

23.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor G Evans Jones declared an interest in Item 29.0 Extra Bills for payment, in respect of a cheque for representatives of Beaumaris in Bloom to attend a presentation event in Cardiff, since she is Vice-Chairman of the Committee

Councillor B L Kotkowicz declared an interest in item 30.2 Planning Application 12C484, since the applicant is a family member

Councillor J P Zalot declared an interest in Item 29.0 Extra Bills for payment, since a payment was to be made to his wife as Chair of the Beaumaris in Bloom Committee

24.0 VISIT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARWYN JONES TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON RECENT LOCAL ISSUES

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the meeting move into Committee for this item.

Councillor Jones thanked members for inviting him to the meeting, and congratulated them for being re-elected. He said that he looked forward to working with the Town Council during the next five years. The new County Council had stability in its structure and the new leader, Councillor Llinos Medi, was from the Seiriol Ward. He suggested it might be opportune for the Town Council to invite her to a meeting.

Councillor Jones said that an issue of concern locally was the future of three schools in Beaumaris, Llangoed and Llandegfan. Because all three Seiriol Ward County Councillors were involved in the different school committees, it had been necessary to obtain dispensation from the Standards Committee in order to take part in discussions concerning the future of the schools. The public consultation had ended in July, and an officer's report on the schools consultation was expected in early October. He had urged the County Council to keep all three schools open since they were a vital component of the local communities. Whilst the number of pupils in Beaumaris school was declining, Anglesey was expecting to attract more families with the development at Wylfa Newydd. This could result in more pupils. He had some concern that the declining pupil numbers might be linked to the increase in holiday homes in Beaumaris. The County Council had tried to increase Council Tax for second homes, but many

owners had changed their status to small business ventures, as these were not subjected to the increase in Council Tax levies.

Some progress was being made in relation to other issues in Beaumaris.

In relation to the landslip at the Cemetery, the County Council Highways Department had written to the Welsh Government to seek grant funding. Albert Owen MP was also pressing for financial support and it was hoped that funding would be obtained especially since the cost of the stabilisation project had been reduced.

The Empty Homes Building Officer was now investigating the old Social Club premises with the hope of getting it redeveloped. He believed the owners of the building had now been traced.

In relation to care for the elderly, a new report had been promised by October 2018

The A545 road into Beaumaris still needed improvement, and it was unacceptable that there should be road closures frequently during the summer. It was hoped that work on this road would be given priority after the completion of the other new road near Llangefni.

A member stated that the pavement leading to Llanfaes had been in a poor condition since 2012 and was a danger to pedestrians. Councillor Jones said that he had raised this matter a few times. The footpath had been damaged by flood water from the sea and he had asked if the Flood Alleviation Project could pay for it to be reinstated. However, the Welsh Assembly would not fund it.

Work at Bryn Tirion had been started again, and the bungalows were being refurbished. It was intended to create 25 extra parking spaces. He hoped that the refurbished site would be kept for the elderly as had been originally intended.

He had also lobbied for work to be carried out at the junction at the top of Red Hill where it joined the Mile Road. This junction was dangerous and he had been asking for a piece of land to be given by the landowner so as to make the corner more easily negotiable.

The consultation on local bus services had been disappointing in that there had been only ten responses from persons in the Seiriol Ward. There was a need to obtain a balance in making the provision of services viable for the company but also servicing the needs of the local population. On a positive aspect, there was now a late night bus service.

He had supported a planning application to build a house on Market land at the rear of Rose Hill. Permission had been refused by the local Planning Authority and the applicants were now appealing to the Planning Inspector in Cardiff. It was noted that the Town Council had not been in favour of the development because of parking issues. However, the owners of local properties in Rosemary Lane had been supportive and only the owner of one holiday home in Rose Hill had objected to the proposed development.

He had also supported an application for a trading licence to be given to a business to use Castle Square. In response, a member said they did not like the vehicle being kept there permanently as if in a parking space.

Trading Standards Officers had conducted a survey of 'A' Boards in the town, and found that only two businesses were not compliant with the regulations.

Councillor Jones said he had again approached the Highways Department to ask for a Resident's Parking Scheme to be introduced in the town. Unfortunately the Highways Department did not have sufficient staff to investigate the matter. A survey had been carried out a few years ago at Townsend and West End, and he hoped that a Resident's Parking Scheme could be introduced there.

He was pleased to inform the Town Council that the Welsh Government had agreed to support Flood Alleviation work at Red Hill and Maes Hyfryd. Fifteen temporary parking spaces would be made in Maes Hyfryd during the course of the work. The aim was to keep these parking spaces after the scheme had been completed.

He would like to see a pedestrian crossing put in place in Castle Street during the next five years. This would mean a reduction in the short-term parking spaces, but it would make it safer for pedestrians to cross the road.

A private company had been engaged to provide litter wardens on Anglesey. Sixty two fine notices had been issued in two months locally. There were 49 bins in the town so little excuse for people to drop litter on the ground.

The Town Mayor thanked Councillor Jones for his presentation and invited members to raise any further questions.

A member stated that there had been complaints about the number of vehicles and pieces of equipment parked outside the White Gates on the A545. This looked untidy. In response it was suggested that the equipment was to be used for works on the old Baron Hill mansion and the roadway leading to it.

A member noted that resurfacing work was scheduled to be carried out in Stanley Street, and wondered if this was to be a waste of money if the flood alleviation works would result in the road being dug up again during the winter. In response, Councillor Jones said he believed that the works being carried out now were just to fill a few potholes in the road surface.

Members commented about litter in Henllys Lane and asked if bins could be reinstated along with dog waste bins.

A member commented that the traffic wardens did a good job in reducing congestion in the middle of the town, despite some abuse from vehicle owners. Councillor Jones was asked to convey Council's thanks to the wardens.

The Town Mayor thanked Councillor Jones for attending the meeting.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the meeting move back into Council.

25.0 TO CONFIRM AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 3 JULY 2017

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the minutes were a true and correct record.

26.0 TO CONFIRM AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 JULY 2017

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the minutes were a true and correct record.

27.0 TO CONFIRM AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 18 AUGUST 2017

It was proposed, seconded and carried nem con that the minutes were a true and correct record.

28.0 TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 24 JULY 2017

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the recommendations be adopted.

29.0 EXTRA BILLS FOR PAYMENT

5021	CCF Ltd	55.74
5022	Beaumaris Print	63.00
5023	Rowena	73.18
5024	BT	106.32
5025	BestHost	106.50
5026	F E Roberts	143.96
5027	Evans Bros	194.20
5028	Abberleigh Pool Care	215.64
5029	Biffa Municipal	241.73

5030	Mrs S Zalot	250.00
5031	T W Ashenden	378.97
5032	Galleon Supplies	421.20
5033	Beaumaris Food Festival	2,000.00
5034	CCTV Services	3,044.24
5035	BTC Imprest a/c	10,000.00
5036	Cynan Electrical	126.00
5037	Fron Goch Garden Centre	129.87
5038	Beaumaris Print	295.00
5039	CCTV Services	450.48
5040	GroundSolve	1,800.00
Total		£20,096.03

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the bills be paid.

30.0 CORRESPONDENCE

30.1 12C329E Ground Floor Flat, 4 Raglan Street, Beaumaris

Full application for alterations and extensions

12C329D/LB 4 Raglan Street, Beaumaris

Listed Building Consent for the above

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that approval be recommended.

30.2 12C484 26 Iscoed, Beaumaris

Full application for alterations and extensions together with the installation of velux window

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that approval be recommended.

30.3 12C485 Henllys Lodge, Llanfaes

Full application for alterations and extensions which include raising the roof height together with the demolition of the existing garage and erection of a new garage in lieu

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that approval be recommended.

30.4 12C49Q/TPO Casita, Beaumaris

Application for works to Hybrid Black Poplar, Lime and Cherry trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that refusal be recommended.

30.5 Clarke Telecom: Proposed Base Station installation at CTIL_208046_TEF_50808 Streetworks Gallows Point, off A545, Beaumaris

Members noted that the communications pole was to be erected on the Boatyard at Gallows Point, and that here it would be camouflaged by the boat masts. As such, it was a good location for the pole.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that Council support the proposed location.

30.6 Walled Towns Friendship Circle and Dewi Lloyd, Anglesey County Council: HLF Great Places Scheme

The Town Clerk said that Martyn Pritchard had attended a North Wales Link meeting on 26 July on behalf of Beaumaris. That meeting had resolved to generate an outline bid to the HLF Great Places Scheme for a grant of £360,000 which, if successful, would aim to promote historic sites within the towns and generate increased tourism. A contribution of £2,500 per annum would be expected from each town for a three year period. There had been a very short time frame in which to submit the bid, and bearing in mind that the Town Council was aiming to take over the management of the old Gaol and Courthouse, he had suggested that support from the Council for the grant

application would be likely. An officer from Anglesey County Council had coordinated an expression of interest, but unfortunately today it had been heard that the bid had not been short-listed for producing a full application. It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that a message be sent to Dewi Lloyd of Anglesey County Council to thank him for preparing the outline bid.

30.7 Beaumaris Bowling Club: Remedial Work on Bowling Green

The Town Clerk said that the Bowling Green had deteriorated during the 2016 season. The Club had engaged a new Greenkeeper with experience of Golf Green management, and the Green had improved during the 2017 season. Nonetheless, more work was urgently needed, and the Club was asking if the Green could be closed from Tuesday 19 September. He had spoken to Council's tenant at Happy Valley and she had been supportive. The Bowling Club had also obtained a grant from Anglesey County Council to purchase additional cassettes for the Bowling Green mower. A separate donation request had been submitted and this would be included in the next Finance and Planning meeting.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that Council agree to the early closure of the Bowling Green following the last match on 19 September. It was further agreed that a copy of the agreement with the Bowling Green should be circulated with the agenda for the Finance and Planning meeting.

30.8 Meeting of Walled Towns Friendship Circle on Wednesday 13 September

The date of the meeting was noted. The Town Clerk said that persons wishing for a copy of the agenda should contact the office.

30.9 Seiriol Alliance meeting on Tuesday 5 September at 6.00 pm

It was noted that Councillor Theakston normally attended these meetings, and the Town Clerk agreed to send him a copy of the notice.

31.0 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor and Mayoress attended the following recent events:

- 1 August Start Line to set off the race for the Menai Strait Class event in the morning, and the Yacht Club to hand out the prizes in the evening.
- 4 August West Kirby Social Evening at the Yacht Club with the Deputy Mayor and Mayoress
- 6 August Denbigh Show followed by lunch with the Mayor and Mayoress of Denbigh
- 27 August Opening of the Charity Fayre on the Green

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**Town Mayor
Councillor F R Carr**

Date