

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2016 AT 7.00 PM IN THE TOWN HALL**

**PRESENT:** The Town Mayor Councillor G Evans Jones  
The Deputy Mayor Councillor F R Carr  
Councillor C M Brimecombe  
Councillor J R Carr  
Councillor I Davies  
Councillor D W Gallichan  
Councillor A J V Grant  
Councillor D G Jones  
Councillor M Jones  
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**

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Councillors congratulated Councillor C M Brimecombe, Watch Leader at Beaumaris Fire Station, on his award for 40 years' service.

**44.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

**45.0 VISIT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARWYN JONES TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON RECENT LOCAL ISSUES**

It was resolved nem con to go into Committee.

*Councillor S Zalot joined the meeting.*

Councillor Jones gave an update on several local issues and initiatives.

- Compliments were paid to organisers of the Food Festival and Fireworks.
- He shared the Council's disappointment at the lamp for the Brownie Hut and has written to the County Council.
- He has taken action to get the County Council to look at options for doing something about the old Social Club site.
- Work on the next stage of the project to provide an Extra Care facility in Seiriol Ward is about to start with the drafting of a Business Case which would include an option to reuse the Day Care Centre and part of the school site.
- Recent work on the A545 has highlighted the importance of a good road link to the town. He will be contacting the local AM to press the case for improvements in the Assembly. A good road to Beaumaris is just as important as a new link road in Llangefni.
- Councillor Jones outlined his involvement in several initiatives in Llanfaes, such as new play equipment which has been grant aided by the Anglesey Charitable Trust.
- He will be campaigning for BT to retain phone boxes currently under threat of removal. The Campaign will need to be backed up with evidence such as problems

with mobile phone coverage and homes without land lines. Putting forward alternative uses such as wifi hotspots may also help.

- Consultation is about to start on next year's County Council budget. Councillor Jones is concerned that many of the proposals (increases in school dinner charges, increases in school bus fares, increased home care costs) will hit many struggling families hard.
- Finally, Councillor Jones drew attention to an event on 29 November in the Canolfan to promote Seiriol Ward as a dementia-friendly community.

In response, Town Councillors made the following points:

- Resurfacing work on Allt Goch and Allt Goch Bach was welcomed. Councillor Jones was asked to press for resurfacing of Stanley Street.
- Councillors felt that there were opportunities to improve the A545 and supported Councillor Jones' position
- Councillors expressed concern at Horizon Nuclear Power's intransigence about the pylon line and the risk that fewer local (Anglesey) jobs would be created by the Wylfa development. Councillor Jones was encouraged to check conditions about creating local jobs in any planning permissions already granted, and fight to ensure that the developers' promises were delivered.

**Recommendation to Council:**

To write to Anglesey County Council, the local AM and MP pressing the case for Wylfa B to deliver local job opportunities in support of Councillor Jones' stance.

- The Town Council's recent actions in respect of the old Baths site were outlined and Councillor Jones was asked to support the efforts to get the site made safe

#### **46.0 VISIT BY PIP COCKERAM TO DISCUSS A POSSIBLE RESIDENTS' PARKING SCHEME**

Pip Cockeram outlined the problem.

There are now five holiday lets in New Street, 50% of Rose Hill and 50% of Rosemary Lane are holiday lets. Because properties are often let to several families sharing, tourists often bring 2, 3 or 4 cars to each property, which means local residents are unable to park. As a result, it is becoming increasingly hard to live in town, which is a threat to the long-term viability of the community.

Reasons why previous initiatives had failed were discussed. These appeared to include costs and the need for enforcement. Councillors feel that a Residents' petition in favour of the scheme would strengthen the case.

**Recommendation to Council:**

To approach other authorities (eg Tenby) to see how they have achieved Residents' parking schemes.

**Recommendation to Council:**

To revive the proposal for the town to have its own Traffic Warden so that a scheme (and other restrictions) could be enforced.

It was resolved nem con to go back into Council.

It was resolved nem con to adopt the recommendations of the Committee

#### **47.0 TO CONFIRM AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 3 OCTOBER 2016**

##### **47.1 Minute 41.0 Annual Return**

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that the Town Council's concerns had been forwarded to One Voice Wales, who would raise them with the Welsh Audit Office on behalf of the many Councils who had raised concerns.

It was resolved nem con to endorse the Town Clerk's actions

It was resolved nem con to confirm the minutes as a true and correct record of the meeting.

#### **48.0 TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 24 OCTOBER 2016**

**48.1** Councillor Gallichan had been present at the meeting. He apologised for not having signed the book.

#### **48.2 Minutes 67.1.6 Donation request**

In response to a Councillor's question, it was stated that the donation had been requested and approved before the expenditure was made, and therefore the donation complied with Council policy on retrospective funding.

#### **48.3 Minute 63.5 Beaumaris Cemetery**

Councillor Gallichan made the point that the Council needed to take into account any wildlife in the Cemetery when doing the work.

It was resolved (by a majority) to get a wildlife assessment before the work is done

#### **48.4 Minute 69.0 LED Christmas Lights**

It was resolved nem con that the Christmas lights be replaced in January

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

#### **49.0 EXTRA BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

4797	Dewi Vaughan Jones	30.00
4798	Guild of Mace-Bearers	30.00
4799	Beaumaris Print	38.00
4800	Anglesey County Council	70.00
4801	T W Ashenden (Purchases/travel)	87.10
4802	P S Green (purchases)	87.60
4803	Galleon Supplies	240.00
4804	Rowena	442.29
4805	J R Roberts Slurry Sealing Ltd	7,142.40
4806	Huws Gray	287.56
4807	Humphreys Signs	168.00

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<b>Total</b>	<b>£8,622.95</b>
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It was resolved nem con that the bills be paid

#### **50.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **50.1 Anglesey County Council: Public Toilets operation from April 2017**

Anglesey County Council have undertaken to investigate the Council Tax situation

##### **50.2 Jevon Cross: Energy Supplies**

A three-year contract with British Gas is currently the best offer

It was resolved nem con to accept the best offer and to refuse installation of a smart meter in order to protect meter readers' jobs

##### **50.3 SSE: Electricity supply at School Lane Public Conveniences**

The supply is on a lapsed tariff. A new tariff will give a cost of about £350 per year. Councillors drew attention to comments in the Visitors' Book about the toilets.

It was resolved nem con to give the Town Clerk powers to act to negotiate a new tariff.

#### **50.4 Howard Mattocks: RVS Lunch Club**

The letter of thanks was read out.

#### **50.5 Beaumaris Bowling Club: AGM Friday 18 November at 7.15 pm in Bulkeley Hotel**

The Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor will attend. The Town Clerk will send the Mayor and Deputy Mayor the agenda and accounts.

#### **50.6 National Grid: Consultation 5 October – 16 December**

The Town Clerk gave details of the consultation.

#### **51.0 HELICOPTER LANDINGS ON THE GREEN**

The Town Clerk outlined the current position.

- 1 The operator has produced insurance with £5m public liability cover
- 2 CAA have expressed the view that it is the pilot's responsibility to decide whether it is safe to land and to take off

Councillors expressed concern that £5m for any one accident was not sufficient cover. It was resolved by a majority to refuse permission to land on the grounds that the insurance cover is not sufficient

It was resolved by a majority to find out what arrangements are in place in other locations where helicopters land and what insurance cover is required

#### **52.0 NSPCC CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Councillors are requested to let the Town Clerk know if they are attending by next Monday.

#### **53.0 REPORT ON TOWN & COMMUNITY COUNCILS LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING**

*Councillor C Theakston left the meeting*

Councillor S Zalot reported back from the meeting.

Anglesey County Council need to save money and are looking to others to take on more services. The Library is viable if it is transferred with the associated car park. The County Council's consultant said in the meeting that car park and Library should be transferred as a single entity. The Leader of the County Council had acknowledged the sense of Community Councils taking on parking as a way of supporting other services taken on.

It was resolved nem con to make the case again to take on the Coach Park so as to support other services being taken on in the town.

Anglesey County Council may be considering having the moorings and Pier taken on by another organisation.

The Leader also made supportive statements about help with dealing with problems about the Castle toilets, which were there when they were taken on.

*Councillor Theakston rejoined the meeting*

#### **54.0 REPORT ON STAKEHOLDER GROUP MEETING ON PYLONS**

The County Council have taken on a Consultant to put together objections about the pylons. Town Councils (and others) need to provide specific concrete objections and examples of places where cables have been placed underground.

One of the other Community Councils has raised concerns about the health impact of such a concentration of pylon lines.  
It was resolved nem con to write with objections and examples.

**55.0 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was resolved nem con to write to former Town Mayor Mr John Wyn Jones of Cae Mair who had been very ill, to send Council's best wishes.

Councillors were given details of the 29 November Dementia-friendly Community Event

9 October	Llangefni Mayor's Sunday
28 October	Beaumaris Charity Masquerade Ball. £2,200 was raised

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**Town Mayor**  
**Councillor G Evans-Jones**

**Date** .....