

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF
BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015 AT 7.00 PM IN THE TOWN HALL**

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

The Town Clerk was in attendance

APOLOGIES: Councillor J R Carr
Councillor D G Jones
Councillor B L Kotkowicz

The Deputy Mayor took the Chair

125.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor F Carr declared an interest in item 129.3, Bills for Payment 4341 Canolfan Beaumaris, as a Board member
The Town Mayor declared a prejudicial interest in item 131.1.2, Dinghy Park, as he has a boat in the Dinghy Park
The Town Mayor declared a prejudicial interest in item 130.1.18, CCTV, as an employee of North Wales Police
Councillor D W Gallichan declared a prejudicial interest in item 129.3, Bills for Payment 4327 Anglesey Fabrications, as his son works for the company

126.0 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

126.1 12C406B 1 Alma Street, Beaumaris
Change of use of office on the ground floor into a residential unit
Recommendation to Council:
To recommend approval

127.0 TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

127.1 12C4D/4/SCR Plot 78D Cae Mair Uchaf, Beaumaris
Screening opinion for the erection of a dwelling
EIA not required

127.2 12C4C/4 Plot 78D Cae Mair Uchaf, Beaumaris
Full application for the erection of a dwelling
Granted

127.3 12C455 35 Wexham Street, Beaumaris
Notification of intention to top a tree in a Conservation Area
No objection

127.4 12C150D 38 Castle Street, Beaumaris
Full application for alterations
Granted

127.5 12C149E/SCR Cartref Cottage, Llanfaes
Screening opinion for the erection of a dwelling
EIA not required

Recommendation to Council:

To write to the Planning Department pointing out that despite what Town Councillors had been told, a neighbour (Mr Barr) said that he had not been informed of the application.

128.0 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

128.1 Planning Enforcement Officer's report – Advertising at 44 Castle Street
In the Planning officer's view, the sign is within regulations.

128.2 Road markings in Castle Street

There are no road marking contractors in North Wales, and this has contributed to the delay. The bollards had been placed by the Town Council with the agreement of the Highways Department. Work has now started.

129.0 BILLS FOR PAYMENT

129.1 Balances as at 23 February 2015

Business Direct Reserve	244,461.39 *
General	15,016.93
Imprest	3,236.98
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	262,715.30
Less VAT due	672.82
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Total	£262,042.48

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

129.2 Imprest account payments since last meeting on 26 January 2015

29 January	
Net Pay	3111.97
5 February	
Net Pay	558.42
12 February	
Net Pay	558.22
HMRC	1388.99
Gwynedd Council	754.89
19 February	
Net Pay	558.42

129.3 Bills for payment

4327	Anglesey Fabrications	30.00
4328	BestHost	31.50

4329	T W Ashenden (Travel/purchases)	44.32
	<i>The Town Clerk reported that following a market testing, a supplier had been found who could provide toilet supplies at an approximate 50% saving</i>	
4330	F E Roberts	45.50
4331	B Roberts (Paints)	61.44
4332	Photostatic	62.82
4333	Beaumaris Print	70.00
	Recommendation to Council:	
	<i>To investigate getting replacement spikes for the javelins.</i>	
4334	Evans Bros	139.09
4335	J O Williams & Son	144.00
4336	One Voice Wales	309.00
4337	Huws Gray	352.72
4338	The Cookshop	381.07
4339	J D Roberts	500.00
4340	Smith of Derby	1,045.20
4341	Canolfan Beaumaris	1,350.00
4342	BTC Imprest a/c	6,000.00
4343	Snowdonia Fire Protection	168.24
4344	Zoll Medical UK	1,236.00
4345	Diversified Business Communications	178.80
	Total	£12,149.70

It was resolved nem con that the bills be paid.

130.0 CORRESPONDENCE

130.1 Correspondence read out

130.1.1 Anglesey & Gwynedd Joint Local Development Plan: Consultation Document and response to enquiry about Laird's site

Recommendation to Council:

To write to the local AM to ask if Welsh Government funds might be available to clean up the site, and to attend a meeting to discuss the proposed Local Development Plan.

It was noted that numbers of responses is important, and individuals should be encouraged to respond.

Recommendation to Council:

To bring the consultation to the attention of the Chamber of Trade and e-mail details of the consultation (including links to documents) to Councillors

Recommendation to Council:

An outline response to be drafted for consideration at the next Council meeting.

There is a need for more affordable housing in Beaumaris. Beaumaris and neighbouring settlements act as suburbs of Bangor, and could meet some of Bangor's housing need. Currently, new housing in Bangor meets student needs not those of workers in the University, hospital etc. Some residents of Beaumaris already commute to employment further east along the A55 corridor. The aim is to sign off a final report at the March Finance and Planning meeting.

130.1.2 Welsh Government Consultation Document: Reforming Local Government – Power to Local People

Recommendation to Council:

e-mail the summary document to Councillors

130.1.3 Anglesey County Council Electoral Registration Officer: Review of Polling Stations and voting arrangements for Llanfaes

Councillors were disappointed with the response.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council suggesting that free parking at the David Hughes Centre on election day would help encourage voting, especially by those who have to travel, eg from Llanfaes

130.1.4 Anglesey County Council Standards Committee: Appointment of two representatives for Town & Community Councils

Recommendation to Council:

That the election/selection process be handled by One Voice Wales

130.1.5 Beaumaris Rowing Club: Key to stop logs at Little Beach

Recommendation to Council:

To respond pointing out that the issuing of keys is the responsibility of Anglesey County Council. In the meantime, if access is needed the RNLI, Flood Warden or Maritime Officer may be able to provide access

130.1.6 Beaumaris Rowing Club: Use of Stones area for rowing competitions

Recommendation to Council:

To give permission. Each car will have to be paid for.

130.1.7 Anglesey County Council Solicitor: Options for break clauses in lease of Castle Toilets

The Town Clerk briefed Councillors on the options.

Recommendation to Council:

To accept the option of a break clause which if exercised within three years results in repayment of funding support received

130.1.8 CCTV Services: Suggested retention of column in Church Street

The Town Mayor left the meeting

Recommendation to Council:

To leave the post in situ in case it is needed in the future

The Town Mayor rejoined the meeting

130.1.9 Playdale: Annual inspection of play equipment

Councillor D W Gallichan left the meeting

Recommendation to Council:

To accept Playdale's offer

130.1.10 David Hughes Community Association: Donation request

Councillor D W Gallichan rejoined the meeting

Councillors were concerned that the amount of support and donations requested was growing, and that Town Council funding may be being viewed as an easy option compared to applying for other grants.

It was proposed and seconded to support the Centre with a grant of £2134 to cover the current deficit.

An amendment was proposed and seconded to postpone the decision and offer assistance in researching cheaper insurance, and advise on sources of grants.

The amendment was passed by a majority.

The substantive motion was carried by a majority.

Recommendation to Council:

To postpone the decision and offer assistance in finding cheaper insurance and identifying possible grant funding.

130.1.11 Iorwerth Rowlands Centre: Donation Request

It was proposed and seconded to postpone a decision to the next Finance and Planning Committee meeting and offer assistance in finding cheaper insurance.

An amendment was proposed to offer the same amount as last year.

The amendment was defeated by a majority.

Recommendation to Council:

To postpone a decision to the next Finance and Planning meeting and offer assistance in finding cheaper insurance.

130.1.12 Thomas Close Play Area: Donation Request

Councillor F Carr left the meeting

Recommendation to Council:

To clarify membership of the Committee (eg should the Town Council be represented) before making a decision.

Councillor F Carr rejoined the meeting

130.1.13 Parti Meibion Bara Brith: Visit of Bowness and Windermere Community Choir

Recommendation to Council:

To provide refreshments to a cost of £100

130.1.14 Pitney Bowes: Franking machine trial for mail

Recommendation to Council:

To decline the offer due to risk to the local Post Office

130.1.15 Cadw: Request for free parking for re-enactment participants

Recommendation to Council:

To agree to the request

130.2 Correspondence not read out

Recommendation to Council:

To investigate how best to circulate grant information to relevant organisations

130.2.1	Anglesey County Council	Issues relating to Standards Committee
130.2.2	Anglesey County Council	Chairman's Annual Charity Dinner
130.2.3	Anglesey County Council	Budget Consultation 2015-16
130.2.4	Anglesey County Council	Registering to vote poster
130.2.5	Rowland Thomas, ACC	Coastal element flood alleviation grant award
130.2.6	Rowland Thomas, ACC	Parking difficulties in Stanley Street
130.2.7	Rowland Thomas, ACC	Letter to residents re flood alleviation works
130.2.8	Anglesey County Council	Tourist Information Point at Llanfairpwll

Recommendation to Council:

To arrange a meeting with Anglesey County Council Tourism Officers to explore getting the Tourist Information Point properly manned

130.2.9	Anglesey County Council	Executive's forward work programme update
130.2.10	Anglesey County Council	Various community grants information
130.2.11	Anglesey County Council	Foster Care Fundraiser
130.2.12	Anglesey Energy Island	Scottish Power Apprenticeship Opportunities
130.2.13	Rhun ap Iorwerth AM	New pylons across Anglesey
130.2.14	Rhun ap Iorwerth AM	February Newsletter
130.2.15	Aled Roberts AM	Speed limits on trunk roads
130.2.16	Councillor Lewis Davies	Potholes on Mount Field road
130.2.17	Councillor Lewis Davies	Disappointment at Polling Stations decision
130.2.18	Councillor Lewis Davies	Camper vans parked on Wexham Street
130.2.19	Councillor Carwyn Jones	Camper vans parked on Wexham Street
130.2.20	Councillor Lewis Davies	Tourist Information Point at Llanfairpwll
130.2.21	Welsh Government	Rules and regulations for Cemeteries
130.2.22	Welsh Government	Local appointments advertisements

130.2.23	One Voice Wales	Wales Remembers 1914-18 events
130.2.24	One Voice Wales	Land Transaction Tax Consultation
130.2.25	Canolfan Beaumaris	Council representation at meetings
130.2.26	Ali Lavender	Anglesey Half Marathon 1 March
130.2.27	Town Mayor	'Dementia Friend' meeting 13 March
130.2.28	Town Mayor	Charity Disco 14 March
130.2.29	Town Mayor	The late Linda Thorp
130.2.30	Chamber of Trade	Block booking for White Lion Square
	<i>Concern was expressed that a block booking of White Lion Square by a single organisations prevented other events happening, and that having no variety of events was not good for the town.</i>	
	Recommendation to Council:	
	<i>To inform the Chamber of Trade (the Mayor will shortly attend their meeting) that block bookings are not desirable. One weekend each month would give scope for other events to break the monotony</i>	
130.2.31	Chamber of Trade	2015 Food Festival update
130.2.32	Darius Demeulemeester	Street and Park furniture
130.2.33	North Wales Police	Special Constables live webchat
130.2.34	Ipsos MORI	Improving weather services survey
130.2.35	Smith of Derby	5 year annual service confirmation
130.2.36	Pier User Group	Minutes of meeting 7 January
130.2.37	Scottish Power	Replacement of meters at Happy Valley
130.2.38	Adrian Williams	'Towns against Tax Dodging' press release
130.2.39	Anglesey Tourism Association	Forthcoming events
130.2.40	Menter Mon	'Catching the Tide' information
130.2.41	Castle Players	Key found after production
130.2.42	Guy Blackwell	Faulty Cameras
130.2.43	David Roberts	ACNW Show on Green 19 July
130.2.44	Menai Heritage and WW1	Programme for 2015
130.2.45	Eleri Brady	Mayor's Charity 2015
130.2.46	Digital Content for Business	Information Sessions
130.2.47	Canolfan Beaumaris	'Canolfan Matters'
130.2.48	Beaumaris Parish Churches	February Newsletter
130.2.49	Spinal Injuries Association	Forthcoming fund raising event 15 May
130.2.50	Papur Menai	Donation request/annual accounts
130.2.51	Food Festival 2015	Update request re use of the Green
130.2.52	Wicksteed Playgrounds	Community outdoor fitness equipment
130.2.53	National Piers Society	'Piers' issue 114
130.2.54	Kidney Wales Foundation	'Walk for Life 2015' invitation 26 April

131.0 TO RECEIVE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

131.1 Greens & Buildings held on Tuesday 10 February 2015

131.1.1 Item 3.3

In response to a question it was clarified that the Town Council are receiving no payment for the lease of the Dinghy Park by Amey.

131.1.2 Item 4.1

In response to a question, it was clarified that the disagreement with the Bowling Club was over the location of the Pavilion. The Committee were clear that the replacement pavilion would be on the same site

Recommendation to Council:

That with the above points, the minutes are a true and correct record and to adopt the recommendation of the Sub-Committee

131.2 Supplement to Minute 5.3: Pictures and set of medals from British Legion Club

Recommendation to Council:

To offer the picture of Field Marshal Smuts to the RNLI
Councillor R Parry left the meeting

Recommendation to Council:

To accept the medals and put on display

131.3 Boats in Dinghy Park

The Town Mayor left the meeting

The Town Clerk briefed Councillors on the intention to put notices on boats warning that any not identified, claimed or paid for will be disposed of.

The Town Mayor rejoined the meeting

132.0 QUOTATION FOR 2015 BEDDING SCHEME

Recommendation to Council:

To accept the quote, which is the same price as last year

133.0 PURCHASE OF HONORARY BURGESS MEDALS

Recommendation to Council:

To go ahead and order 10 Honorary Burgess and Past Mayor medals at a cost of £117 each

134.0 REPORT ON DIRECTORS' MEETING: BEAUMARIS & DISTRICT LEISURE CENTRE

Recommendation to Council:

To defer to the Council meeting

135.0 BEAUMARIS HERITAGE GROUP: REQUEST TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDING

Recommendation to Council:

To invite the group to a meeting as soon as practical

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm

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Chairman
Councillor J P Zalot

Date