

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF
BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 24 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 A J V Grant
Councillor M Jones
Councillor B L Kotkowicz
Councillor R J Parry
Councillor J A Rowlands
Councillor C J Theakston
Councillor J P Zalot

The Town Clerk was in attendance

APOLOGIES: Councillor S Zalot

The Deputy Mayor took the Chair

35.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor G Evans-Jones declared a prejudicial interest in item 45.0 Beaumaris in Bloom as Vice Chair of the Committee
Councillor M Jones declared a prejudicial interest in item 40.1.10 Food Festival as a Director of the Festival
Councillor J Zalot declared a prejudicial interest in item 45.0 Beaumaris in Bloom as his wife is Chair of the Committee

36.0 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

36.1 12C207B Mor Awel, York Terrace, West End, Beaumaris
Full application for demolition of the existing garage together with alterations and extensions
Recommendation to Council:
To recommend approval

37.0 TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

There were no Planning Decisions

38.0 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

There were no other Planning Matters

39.0 BILLS FOR PAYMENT

39.1 Balances as at 17 July 2017

Business Direct Reserve	£305,214.98*
General	67,886.94
Imprest	11,274.40

Total	£384,376.32
Less VAT due	3,478.70
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	£380,897.62

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

39.2 Imprest account payments since last meeting on 26 June 2017

29 June	
Net Pay	4119.20
6 July	
Net Pay	1278.37
HMRC	2110.32
Gwynedd Council	1810.49
13 July	
Net Pay	1328.10
20 July	
Net Pay	1348.34

39.3 Bills for payment

5000 Brenda Williams	20.32
5001 SSE	42.52
5002 Photostatic	44.97
5003 Snowdonia Fire Protection	71.28
5004 Paul Green	121.42
5005 Alpha Business Centre	130.56
5006 FE Roberts	133.81
5007 Evans Bros	146.89
5008 Anglesey County Council	180.00
5009 Huws Grey	157.03
5010 Florabundance	220.00
5011 Biffa Municipal	241.73
5012 Galleon Supplies	360.00
5013 BT	280.51
5014 Cynan Electrical	483.05
5015 Peter Hughes and Sons	678.92
5016 Cumbria Clock Company	2544.00
5017 Petty Cash	200.00
5018 Imprest Account	14500.00
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Total	20557.01

It was resolved nem con that the bills be paid

It was noted that Councillor Rowlands is not yet on the mandate. The Town Clerk will obtain the necessary forms.

40.0 CORRESPONDENCE

40.1 Correspondence read out

40.1.1 Welsh Government: Consultation on School Organisation Code and copy of a Flintshire Community Impact Assessment of School Closure

The proposed draft includes a presumption against the closure of rural schools on the grounds of harm to the Community. Beaumaris does not qualify as rural using the

criteria in the policy, however the damage to a small town of losing this school will be just as great as to the rural village.

Recommendation to Council:

To respond to the consultation opposing the closure of any school in Seiriol ward, the following reasons will be mentioned:

- Impact on the community and long-term future of the town (identified as a local service centre in the Joint Local Development Plan)
- The investment of £7m in a new Superschool to get savings of £53,000 is not good value for money
- Despite the Welsh Government analysis, Beaumaris is a rural town in a rural area. Anglesey as a whole is classified as rural by the Welsh Government
- Consideration has to be given to the impact of Wylfa and likely inflow of people to this area
- The proposal for extra-care housing does not require the closure of the school. It is possible to retain the school and to use surplus areas on the site for an extra-care facility
- The long-term health and well-being needs of the people is best met by a school in town within walking distance of their homes

40.1.2 Anglesey County Council: Consultation meeting on Draft Library Service Strategy 2017-2022 at Beaumaris Library on Friday 28 July, 11.00 am–2.00 pm
The consultation runs until 22 September

40.1.3 Anglesey County Council: A545 Landslip at Beaumaris Cemetery and Third Bridge over the Menai Strait
Mr Dewi Williams (Head of Service: Highways, Waste and Property) has written to the Welsh Government to ask for financial support
Recommendation to Council:
To find out how the recent work above the A545 on Garth bens was funded.

40.1.4 Walled Town Friendship Circle: Workshop on 'Great Places' Funding Programme at the Guildhall, Conwy on Wednesday 26 July at 4.00 pm followed by a meeting to discuss future Car Rallies
Councillor M Jones asked for his apologies to be passed on. The meeting is during the working day. Councillor F Carr is also unable to attend.

40.1.5 CCTV Services: Revised quotation for recorder for reception camera
Recommendation to Council:
To purchase the video recorder

40.1.6 RAYC: Safety concerns on Beaumaris Green
Recommendation to Council:
The Town Clerk will speak to RAYC to see what they think would work.

Councillor J P Zalot joined the meeting

40.1.7 Complaint concerning 'Way Mark' path between Llanddona and Red Wharf Bay
The Town Clerk reported that the verbal complaint had been forwarded to Anglesey County Council.
Recommendation to Council:
Any correspondence to be forwarded to Llanddona Community Council

40.1.8 DU Construction: Community Benefits donations
DE Construction have now included a Llanfaes project, but the total donation amount is smaller
Recommendation to Council:
To clarify the total amount of the donation (it may be a misprint)

40.1.9 Kim Owen: Request to hold a Hog Roast on 27 & 28 August at Happy Valley

Recommendation to Council:

To agree to the request. The Hog Roast provider's offer to attend at Bonfire Night will be passed to the Bonfire Committee

40.1.10 Beaumaris Food Festival: Confirmation of financial support

Councillor M Jones left the meeting

Recommendation to Council:

To confirm the financial support for two years, after which it will be reviewed.

Councillor M Jones rejoined the meeting

40.1.11 John Eames: Parking problems in Brynteg

Town Councillors acknowledged the problem. Access by larger vehicles, eg refuse collection and emergency services, is increasingly difficult. The roads were not designed for modern car ownership levels (2-3 per house), however the spacious grassy areas are an important feature of the estate. There are off-road parking areas which are currently under-used, a site visit with Highways might be useful in identifying solutions.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council asking them to look at how the problem might be tackled while retaining the character of the estate.

40.2 Correspondence not read out

40.2.1	Anglesey County Council	Local Well-being Workshops
40.2.2	Anglesey County Council	Library Service Strategy meetings
40.2.3	Anglesey County Council	Permission to use White Lion Square
40.2.4	Anglesey County Council	ATB/RE Consultation meeting 13 July
40.2.5	Councillor Carwyn Jones	Feasibility Study for A545 Beaumaris Road
40.2.6	Anglesey & Gwynedd	Examination of the Joint LDP
40.2.7	Welsh Government	'Great Places' HLF Funding Programme
40.2.8	Welsh Government	Appointments
40.2.9	Welsh Government	Radioactive Waste Management & Disposal
40.2.10	North Wales CHC	News Release
40.2.11	One Voice Wales	13 th Conference & AGM 30 September
40.2.12	One Voice Wales	July Training Sessions
40.2.13	SLCC	News Bulletin
40.2.14	David Roberts	Annual Classic Car Show on Green 16 July
40.2.15	Katherine Owen	Branch Meeting
40.2.16	Katherine Owen	Presentations
40.2.17	Medrwn Mon	Seiriol Consultations
40.2.18	Canolfan Iorwerth Rowlands	Thanks for donation
40.2.19	Trefi Mon	Minutes of meetings March & June
40.2.20	Chamber of Trade	Minutes of meeting 13 June
40.2.21	Gwynedd Council	Pension Fund AGM 14 September
40.2.22	Wendy Davies	'Ordinary Men' 18 November
40.2.23	Chester Civic	Forthcoming events
40.2.24	Val Salisbury	Camp Project Wales
40.2.25	Owain Lloyd Williams	Pop-up Welsh Cake Shop
40.2.26	Gwen Richards	Tourist Signposts
40.2.27	Chamber of Trade	Camper vans parking overnight enquiry
40.2.28	Dr Steve MacVicar	Use of Council Marquee 2 July
40.2.29	Beaumaris W I	Donation request
40.2.30	Walled Towns	Car Rally initial meetings
40.2.31	Jackie Waddicor	Street Signs in Beaumaris
40.2.32	Derek Mutch	Castle toilets complaint
		<i>Officers confirmed that the complaint had been dealt with, and the 60p refunded. The coin machines were working on the day in question</i>
40.2.33	Peter Williams, Castle Players	Environmental Puppet Show for children
40.2.34	Beaumaris Businesses	Local market in White Lion Square

Item 40.2.3 also deals with this issue. Anglesey County Council are the organisation with powers to grant permission to use the square and to set conditions for its use.

40.2.35	Anglesey County Council	Grant funding information
40.2.36	Colin McGivern	Medical cover for events offer
40.2.37	Gwynedd CAB	Funding news for Pwllheli
40.2.38	Jackie Blackwell	Universal Credit Hub Inaugural meeting
40.2.39	Rhian Thomas	Seagulls

Recommendation to Council:

To investigate solutions and to seek the advice of RSPB

40.2.40	Greenfingers Landscape	Tree Care Specialists information
40.2.41	Tref Alaw C Council	Council Clerk vacancy
40.2.42	Talktalk	Information
40.2.43	Barclaycard	Card payments information
40.2.44	Horizon Power	Acceptance of response to consultation
40.2.45	Anglesey Tourism Association	Anglesey Show
40.2.46	Denbigh Town Council	Invitation to Denbigh show
40.2.47	Conwy Town Council	Invitation to Mayor's boat trip
40.2.48	Tutorcare	Working at height courses

41.0 TO RECEIVE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

41.1 Audit & Personnel dated 4 July 2017

41.1.1 Item 4.3 Loss of Cash

The minutes should record that the Town Clerk had confirmed that he did not have a personal interest in the matter

It was resolved nem con to exclude the press and public for a discussion of confidential staff issues

The Town Clerk outlined the investigation which had been inconclusive. Some changes had been made to procedures to improve security

Recommendation to Council:

Audit & Personnel Sub-Committee will review cash handling procedures and the incident will be logged with the police.

It was resolved to readmit the press and public

41.1.2 Item 5.2 Job Evaluation

It was pointed out that One Voice Wales had not done the Job Evaluations at Anglesey County Council. In response to a suggestion that staff be given assistance in filling out forms, the Town Clerk confirmed that assistance had been offered

Recommendation to Council:

With the above points to accept the Sub-Committee's report

41.2 Greens & Buildings dated 11 July 2017

42.2.1 Item 4.3 Cemetery Plots

The Town Clerk reported that there are real difficulties with administering pre-purchase of plots. Once the report is accepted, this will be put on the Agenda of the next Finance & Planning meeting

42.2.2 Item 7.2 Wall Sealant

The Town Clerk has found a potentially suitable sealant

42.2.3 Item 7.3 Storage of Flood Warden's Equipment

Concern was expressed about the Chamber becoming a storeroom. The Council needs more storage space in the town.

Recommendation to Council:

To refer the item back to the Greens & Buildings Sub-Committee

Recommendation to Council:

With the above points to accept the report of the Sub-Committee

42.0 REPORT ON MEETING OF TREFI MON

The Town clerk reported back from the meeting. There was a lot of discussion of the CCTV and its operation. A bid will be made to the Charitable Trust for additional coverage. The Town Clerk will seek the views of the local police. Possible extra coverage could include Church Street and Margaret Street (using the existing pole outside the old Post Office), Happy Valley and the A545 towards Gallows Point.

Recommendation to Council:

To receive the Town Clerk’s report

43.0 REPORT ON MEETING OF TOWN & COMMUNITY COUNCILS LIAISON FORUM

The minutes have now been received. A report was given at a previous meeting.

44.0 UPDATE ON WORK ON BEAUMARIS CHURCH CLOCK/INSURANCE CLAIM

The Town Clerk briefed Councillors on the arrangements made to secure the remaining clock faces and discussions with the Church over responsibility for various aspects of the clock. A quote from Cumbria Clock Co suggests that replacement of the broken clock face could cost upwards of £30,000. A resin replica would be cheaper. Additional costs could be controlled if, for example, the erection of scaffolding could be coordinated with repair work to the tower stonework. A claim has been submitted to Zurich and a surveyor working on their behalf has inspected the clock faces and the tower. His report is awaited. He has observed that the tower stonework is in poor condition. It is not clear if the Town Council’s cover includes this type of damage. The Town Clerk will check.

Recommendation to Council:

To proceed on the basis that a proper slate dial, not a resin replica, will be installed (cost around £30,000)

The Church architect’s fees for securing the existing dial (approximately £300) will be paid by the Town Council. The Town Clerk will be given power to act to progress the work and negotiate an understanding of the division of responsibilities for the clock and associated items.

**45.0 PROPOSED: COUNCILLOR M JONES
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR C J THEAKSTON**

That Beaumaris Town Council makes a contribution towards the cost of the visit by members of Beaumaris in Bloom to the Award Ceremony of Wales in Bloom at Pembrey, South Wales

Councillors G Evans-Jones and J Zalot left the meeting.

Recommendation to Council:

To make a one-off £250 contribution (calculated as approximately one night’s bed & breakfast and petrol costs for one car) for representatives to attend the award ceremony.

The meeting closed at 21.20

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**Chairman
Councillor C M Brimecombe**

Date