

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF
BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 27 JULY 2015 AT 7.00 PM IN THE TOWN HALL**

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

The Town Clerk was in attendance

APOLOGIES: There were no apologies for absence

The Deputy Mayor took the Chair

27.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor I Davies declared a prejudicial interest in item 34.0 CCTV as CIO of North Wales Police
Councillor D W Gallichan declared a prejudicial interest in item 28.2 RAYC Planning Application as a member of RAYC
Councillor C J Theakston declared an interest in item 28.2 RAYC Planning Application as an MS member of the Yacht Club
The Town Mayor declared a prejudicial interest in item 28.2 RAYC Planning Application as a member of RAYC
Councillor S Zalot declared a prejudicial interest in item 30.4 Verges at Gallows Point as a shed owner

28.0 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

28.1 12LPA1003D/FR/CC Castle Meadow, Beaumaris

Full application for the construction of a flood relief culvert together with associated work

Recommendation to Council:

To recommend approval

28.2 12C462 Royal Anglesey Yacht Club, Beaumaris

Full application for the demolition of existing wall together with the erection of a new wall

The Town Clerk advised that as an MS crew member, Councillor Theakston's interest was not prejudicial.

The Town Mayor and Councillors Gallichan and S Zalot left the meeting

Councillors were concerned at the loss of pavement and possible changes in risk to pedestrians.

Recommendation to Council: (by a majority)
To proceed with a site visit.

The Town Mayor and Councillors Gallichan and S Zalot rejoined the meeting

29.0 TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

29.1 12C436A/FR Land at Cichle Farm, Beaumaris

Full application for the siting of 4 safari tents and bases which will remain throughout the year together with the installation of a septic tank
GRANTED

29.2 12C459 Old Customs House, Townsend, Beaumaris

Full application for alterations and extensions
REFUSED

29.3 12C460 Ty Ni, Steeple Lane, Beaumaris

Full application for replacement windows
GRANTED

29.4 12C458 9 New Street, Beaumaris

Full application for replacement windows and doors
GRANTED

29.5 12C266P/FR Gallows Point, Beaumaris

Full application for the erection of a new substation
GRANTED

29.6 12C266Q/FR ABC Power Marine, Beaumaris

Full application for alterations to the existing access together with the construction of a new parking area
GRANTED

29.7 12C390E 34 Castle Street, Beaumaris

Full application for the installation of an awning
GRANTED

29.8 12C390D/LB 34 Castle Street, Beaumaris

Application for Listed Building Consent for the erection of an awning
GRANTED

29.9 12C251D 36 Church Street, Beaumaris

Full application for repair of ridge tiles
GRANTED

30.0 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

30.1 Flood Relief Culvert: Archaeological Dig at Happy Valley

Recommendation to Council:

To confirm the Town Clerk's response that the work will have to take place after the end of September

30.2 Scaffolding on Castle Street and 'A' Boards on Pavements

Anglesey County Council advised that the 'A' boards are the responsibility of the businesses. The County Council do not check insurances.

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 Write to the Chamber of Trade to explain the position and ask them to inform the traders, also to reply to Anglesey County Council to say that as a Highways Authority they should take some responsibility, given that the proliferation of 'A' boards risks creating obstructions
- 2 Write to Anglesey County Council asking them to limit scaffolding to outside the main tourist season (by a majority)

30.3 Objections to Planning Applications

Pwllheli Town Council have pointed out that in Gwynedd a Community Council objection counts as a single objection. Three are required before an application is referred to the Planning Committee.

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 In future, when objecting, to also ask for the application to be referred to the Committee
- 2 Ask One Voice Wales to campaign for a change in the process

30.4 Verges at Gallows Point

Councillor S Zalot left the meeting.

Following approval of the change in the entrance layout, Councillors were concerned that the grass verges may be lost to parking. They are an important visual amenity on the approach to the town.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council to ask them to protect the grassed areas.

Councillor S Zalot rejoined the meeting

30.5 Skip at Castle Row

Recommendation to Council:

To write asking how long it will be there

31.0 BILLS FOR PAYMENT

31.1 Balances as at 27 July 2015

Business Direct Reserve	274,548.54*
General	38,659.78
Imprest	3,231.88
	316,440.20
Less VAT due	2,156.88
Total	£314,283.32

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

31.2 Imprest account payments since last meeting on 22 June

25 June Net Pay	3,819.27
02 July Net Pay	1,285.00
09 July Net Pay	1,236.71
HMRC	1,602.17
Gwynedd Council	802.27

16 July Net Pay	1,158.28
23 July Net Pay	1,298.80

31.3 Bills for payment

4434 B Roberts (Paints)	69.02
4435 Photostatic	75.02
4436 Evans Bros	96.02
4437 Huws Gray	109.98
4438 The Cookshop	123.10
4439 Walled Towns Friendship Circle	125.00
4440 F E Roberts	138.14
4441 Rowena	146.10
4442 Alpha Business Centre	156.38
4443 Galleon Supplies	200.40
4444 Biffa Municipal (24/6 – 21/7)	228.10
4445 BT	277.16
4446 CCTV Services	9,989.78
4447 BTC Imprest a/c (August & September)	25,000.00
4448 Petty Cash	200.00
4449 The Deputy Mayor (travel expenses)	32.00
4450 Biffa Municipal (22/7 – 18/8)	228.10
Total	£37,194.30

It was resolved that the bills be paid

32.0 CORRESPONDENCE

32.1. Correspondence read out

32.1.1 Welsh Government: Playing Fields (Community Involvement in Disposal Decisions) (Wales) Regulations 2015

The Town Clerk outlined the regulations which may be of relevance to some land in Beaumaris in the future

32.1.2 Anglesey County Council, Highways: Response to request for improvements at Camp Road

Received

32.1.3 Anglesey County Council, Chief Executive: Response to complaint about Beaumaris Polling Station

Received

32.1.4 Anglesey County Council, Iwan Huws: Cost of sponsorship of Weather on S4C

A motion to look at the cost of promoting Beaumaris in the same way was defeated.

A motion to have a recorded vote on Council's response to the letter was defeated.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council to say that the Town Council would rather the money had been spent on the Tourist Information Centre.

32.1.5 Anglesey County Council, Waste Management: Keep Wales Tidy volunteers to reduce fly tipping at Mill Lane

The Town Clerk outlined an offer from Keep Wales Tidy to organise a volunteer day at a cost of £250

Recommendation to Council:

To decline the offer

32.1.6 Beaumaris Bowling Club: Repairs to Bowling Green

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 To agree to the request to close the Bowling Green early and for Council staff to assist with transporting bags of top dressing (by a majority)
- 2 To agree to host the Walled Towns Friendship Circle Bowling Competition on Sunday 20 September and to provide refreshments
- 3 To agree to a competition on Friday 14 August

32.1.7 One Voice Wales: Consultation on provision of health services

Recommendation to Council:

To use this as an opportunity to point out how closure of the Day Care Centre and threats to Haulfre affect delivery of services in the area, and to invite a representative to a meeting.

32.1.8 David Hughes School: Financial support towards prize-giving ceremony

Recommendation to Council:

To provide a prize of £100 and to offer for the Mayor to attend.

32.1.9 One Voice Wales: Petition against pylons on Anglesey

The petition has already been placed in the Tourist Information Point

Recommendation to Council:

Councillors will sign and return the pro-forma letters

32.1.10 Llanfaes Churchyard

Recommendation to Council:

To agree to share the £250 costs (50/50)

32.1.11 Peter Tate

Recommendation to Council:

To send a card to Mr Tate (previous Town Clerk) who is in hospital

32.2 Correspondence not read out

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| 32.2.1 | Anglesey County Council | Press release 'summer of cycling' |
| 32.2.2 | Anglesey County Council | T & C Councils Liaison Forum |
| 32.2.3 | Anglesey County Council | Faulty equipment in public toilets |
| 32.2.4 | Anglesey County Council | Parking in Menai Bridge High Street |
| 32.2.5 | Anglesey County Council | 30mph speed limit near Cae Mair junction |
| 32.2.6 | Anglesey County Council | Pobl Seiriol Reference Group |
| 32.2.7 | Anglesey County Council | Article on website re solar panels at Amlwch |
| | | Recommendation to Council: |
| | | <i>To suggest to the Canolfan Committee that they write to Horizon and ask for a contribution to their solar panels</i> |
| 32.2.8 | Chamber of Trade | Press relapse re Tour of Britain |
| 32.2.9 | C Cllr Lewis Davies etc | Threatened closure of Haulfre |
| 32.2.10 | C W G C | End of Maintenance Agreement – War Graves |
| 32.2.11 | Caernarfon Town Clerk | Nomination request for NEC Election |
| 32.2.12 | Walled Towns | Car Rally meeting/date for Rally |
| 32.2.13 | Welsh Government | Castles & Town Walls of Edward I in Gwynedd WHS |

32.2.14	Welsh Government	Small Scale Project funding 2015-16
	Recommendation to Council:	
	<i>To check that the information has been sent to the Canolfan, David Hughes Centre etc</i>	
32.2.15	Welsh Government	Bovine TB Dashboard
32.2.16	Welsh Government	Call for Honours Nominations (Birthday 2016)
32.2.17	Welsh Government	Written Statement – Devolved Taxes
32.2.18	NOMS Wales	Industries workspace in N Wales prison
32.2.19	Yasmin Kamal	Wedding in Bulkeley Hotel 5 September
32.2.20	Emma Richards	Gold ring lost on Green 16 July
32.2.21	Rob Formstone	Subaru Weekender Tour
32.2.22	Lauren de sa Naylor	Housing situation in Beaumaris
32.2.23	John Lawsons Circus	Cancellation of Beaumaris visit 2015
32.2.24	Kenneth Barton	Castle toilets complaint
32.2.25	Lord Mayor of Chester	Dates announcement
32.2.26	Steve Jones	H & S issues
32.2.27	Gareth Williams	Advertising signage/residents' passes
32.2.28	Beaumaris Allotments	Thefts/BBQ/Facebook page/Common Hogweed
32.2.29	TV Licensing	TV Licence enquiry
	<i>The Town Clerk assured Councillors that there is no television in the Town Hall</i>	
32.2.30	Anglesey County Council	TRAC job adverts
32.2.31	Rhun ap Iorwerth AM	July Newsletter
32.2.32	Openreach	Telegraph pole on Green
32.2.33	Horizon	Public information events
32.2.34	Chamber of Trade	Minutes of meeting 9 June
32.2.35	C H C	News release – Wrexham Maelor dementia ward
32.2.36	Warren Greveson	Beaumaris Festival Accounts
32.2.37	Stephen Croft	Mould of drinking fountain in Happy Valley
32.2.38	Tracey Harrison	2016 Coach Tourism Yearbook entry
32.2.39	Corido Benches	WWI Commemorative Benches
32.2.40	Town Mayor	Civic Regalia at Antiques Roadshow
32.2.41	Councillor D G Jones	Open air Church Service Sunday 12 July
32.2.42	One Voice Wales	Anglesey Area Committee meeting
32.2.43	One Voice Wales	Conference 3 October
32.2.44	One Voice Wales	Climate Change Survey
32.2.45	Anglesey Tourism	Events Newsletter/Wales Coast App

33.0 TO RECEIVE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

33.1 Audit & Personnel dated 29 June 2015

Recommendation to Council:

To accept the minutes as a true and correct record

33.2 Greens & Buildings dated 30 June 2015

33.2.1 Item 5.0 The Green

The contractor has asked if some units can be left in the Dinghy Park

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 To confirm the Town Clerk's response that the Dinghy Park is to be cleared by 3 August
- 2 A new more secure lock is to be provided for the Stones area after the Regattas

33.2.2 Item 5.5 Camper Vans

Recommendation to Council:

To discuss the problem at the September Finance and Planning meeting

33.2.3 Item 6.1 Happy Valley

The Deputy Mayor's application for an £8,000 grant was successful.

Recommendation to Council:

To record Council's thanks to the Deputy Mayor

33.2.4 Item 7.1 Town Hall

Recommendation to Council:

- 1 To have the words 'Town Hall' on the new doors
- 2 To check that the flag on the crest matches that on the Town Mayor's Chain

Recommendation to Council:

With the above points to accept the minutes as a true and correct record

34.0 UPDATE ON CCTV INSTALLATION

Councillor I Davies left the meeting

There have already been three requests for footage by North Wales Police. Work is still needed to ensure that all the required policies and procedures are in place.

Recommendation to Council:

To install the data link to Llangefni Police Station at a cost of £20.50 per month for the first year, then £43.50 per month

Councillor Davies rejoined the meeting

35.0 UPDATE ON HAULFRE

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 To press for a response to the FOI request, including a complaint to the Information Commissioner if need be.
- 2 To agree to the joint meeting with Gwen Carrington on 19 August, and to invite Ieuan Williams, Leader of Anglesey County Council
- 3 To put together a counter-proposal for development of a 'Haulfre Newydd' extra care facility on the Haulfre site.

36.0 FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME : WALL LEVEL RESPONSES

Eight responses were received to the consultation, five in favour reducing the height of the wall and three against.

Councillors were reminded of the engineer's advice and the fact that Anglesey County Council will keep the Town Council's request on record.

Five Councillors stood for a recorded vote on the motion (proposed by Councillor Theakston and seconded by Councillor Davies) to accept the reduction in height of the new sea wall as suggested by Anglesey County Council.

Votes for (5): Councillors Brimecombe, Davies, Gallichan, Parry and Theakston.

Votes against (9): The Town Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and Councillors F Carr, J Carr, Grant, D Jones, M Jones, Kotkowicz and S Zalot.

Recommendation to Council:

To refuse Anglesey County Council's offer to reduce the height of the wall.

Work on this wall is due to be complete at the end of August.

37.0 UPDATE ON FLOOD DEFENCE WALL ON THE GREEN

The Town Clerk briefed Councillors on progress.

A few days work will be done in August. The contractor knows that they must not obstruct the road. The current tarmac is temporary. The Town Clerk will get a price for red tarmac from the sub-contractor.

38.0 UPDATE ON TOUR OF BRITAIN CYCLE RACE

Councillors were briefed on the current plans. The official launch is on 3 August in Menai Bridge. The Mayor, Town Clerk, Administrative Assistant and one other will attend. The need to retain access to the Lifeboat Station was noted, along with plans for a Lifeboat Day on 5 September.

39.0 BEAUMARIS REGATTA ARRANGEMENTS

Councillors were briefed on arrangements which are the same as last year. There is a fun Pirate-themed event on the middle Sunday, 9 August.

40.0 PARKING IN CASTLE STREET

The coach parking bays are frequently blocked, causing considerable congestion.

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council asking if they can help by sending the Traffic Wardens to police parking.

41.0 COMPLAINTS ABOUT SEAGULLS IN HAPPY VALLEY

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 To try the use of seagull-repellent gel on the roof of the Happy Valley Pavilion
- 2 To write to Anglesey County Council asking them to use their bye-law making powers to make feeding seagulls a fixed-penalty offence.

It was resolved to suspend Standing Orders for 15 minutes to allow for completion of the Agenda.

Councillor D W Gallichan left the meeting

42.0 PROPOSAL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL FOR COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF DERELICT SOCIAL CLUB AND USE OF SITE FOR COMMUNITY PURPOSES

Recommendation to Council:

To write to Anglesey County Council asking them to use their compulsory purchase powers to acquire the old Social Club site for housing that is suitable for young people and families.

43.0 RAT PROBLEMS AT SEA FRONT

Rates are a common sight on and around the Pier. Anglesey County Council are reluctant to act.

Recommendations to Council:

- 1 To pressurise Anglesey County Council to take responsibility for problems on their property (Pier and highways)
- 2 To engage a contractor to deal with any problems on the Green

44.0 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BYELAWS (WALES) ACT 2012

Dealt with at Agenda item 41.0

The meeting closed at 10.08 pm

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Chairman
Councillor G Evans Jones

Date