

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE GREENS & BUILDINGS SUB-COMMITTEE  
OF BEAUMARIS TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2022 AT 7.00 PM**

**PRESENT:** The Town Mayor Councillor R A Jones  
Councillor D W Gallichan  
Councillor K Jones  
Councillor D R Owen  
Councillor J P Zalot

**The Town Clerk was in attendance**

**APOLOGIES:** The Deputy Mayor Councillor M Sarsfield  
Councillor D T Evans  
Councillor H Mattocks  
Councillor A Rowlands

**Councillor J P Zalot took the Chair**

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**18.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest declared beforehand.

**19.0 ITEMS REFERRED FROM THE SPECIAL FINANCE AND PLANNING  
COMMITTEE 7 FEBRUARY 2022**

**Proposed Charges - Cemetery**

The Town Clerk explained that an email had been circulated beforehand with reference to the Standing Orders as a result this item should be referred to the Audit and Personnel.

**20.0 CEMETERY**

**20.1 The Wall**

The Town Clerk provided an update.

A Councillor confirmed again that the wall had been like this for many years, and he had monitored and tested the crack.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk provide photographs for the Finance and Planning

It was proposed seconded and carried by a majority that the Town Council instruct a civil engineering company to assess the wall and confirm if there is any initial subsidence or any recent subsidence and to make any recommendations if so required.

**20.2 Removal of Grass Cuttings**

The Town Clerk stated that the grass cuttings had been removed and we had been provided with an invoice that would be submitted for payment at the Finance and Planning.

A Councillor asked whether enquiries should be made as to having a contractor to cut the main Green as to reduce the grass cuttings.

It was proposed seconded and carried by a majority that the Town Clerk obtain three quotations for cutting the Green and removing the cuttings and to ensure within the specification that it must be cut early morning.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk review staffing.

**20.3 Terms and Conditions**

The Town Clerk confirmed that there was an updated version.

**20.4 Casita**

A Councillor raised issues with the development and the impact on funerals.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk be given power to act and liaise with the Anglesey County Council highlighting the issues.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk or any other Town Council staff monitor the development on a regular basis and if anything of concern is noted that the Town Council instruct a surveyor immediately to act on their behalf.

## **21.0 GREEN**

### **21.1 Planning Cadarn**

The Town Clerk provided an update in that the planning had been withdrawn for now to deal with the three objections that had been received.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk ask Cadarn is there are any special requirement for cutting the Green following the work being carried out.

### **21.2 Height Barrier**

For information the Town Clerk confirmed that the Height Barrier was waiting on signage then it would be open and closed during the time the Green was open.

### **21.3 Picnic Benches**

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk looks on areas on the Green in particular the triangle and paddling pool area with a view of purchasing more picnic benches to the two areas.

### **21.4 The Observation Wheel.**

The Town Clerk explained that like item 19 this matter should be referred to the Finance and Planning and as a result would be discussed next week.

For information the Town Clerk said that the Green Hut was open and had been for nearly a month.

A Councillor asked if we could ensure that all Applications for the Green where on the Town Council's web site and for the Town Clerk to action and review some vehicles on the Green.

## **22.0 HAPPY VALLEY**

### **22.1 The Playground Report**

The Town Clerk reported on the report obtained and what had been identified for information purposes.

### **22.2 The Basket Swing**

The Town Clerk reported that this project had now completed.

A Councillor asked if the Town Clerk could make sure that the area is tidy and free of rubbish.

The Town Clerk said that we needed to have a path from the basket swing to the current path.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk obtain quotations for a path between the swing and the existing path.

### **22.3 The playground surface – wet pour**

The Town Clerk provided an update on this and the fact that quotations had been received.

She confirmed that the three quotations received have been scored.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the work be carried out by Option 2 the one favoured by the office.

### **22.4 Water Fountain and Railings**

The Town Clerk reported on the comments received in relation to the water fountain.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town clerk pursue Isle of Anglesey County Council in relation to the drinking water fountains.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that we obtain quotations for doing what is necessary in the short term as to the water fountain and obtaining quotations for the long-term restoration of the water fountain.

A Councillor asked about dogs in the area and was there a need for more signage.

The Town Clerk explained that the law in Wales was that dogs were prohibited from play areas within Wales and with Happy Valley we had taken a view as there was a distinct boundary being the railings and the area within was open and a recreational area then dogs were prohibited.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk make enquiries with the Isle of Anglesey County Council with a view of arranging that Isle of Anglesey County Council's Dog Warden visit the area and there might be a contribution towards its costs. It was proposed and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk provide the Tenant of the Happy Valley with the contact details of the Dog Warden.

It was proposed and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk assess if further signage is required and view the material the Isle of Anglesey County Council has in relation to dogs.

#### **22.5 Picnic Benches**

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk review how many picnic benches we have within the area and report back.

#### **22.6 Jubilee Celebrations – Planting of tree / picnic in the park**

The Town Clerk noted that this brushed with the Events Committee but one recommendation to celebrate the Jubilee was to plant a tree such as a Cherry Tree.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Council purchase a tree to plant in the area together with a relevant plaque.

The Town Clerk also said that the Tenant was eager to have a picnic in the park during the weekend of the Jubilee.

A Councillor stated it would be better to discuss at the Events Committee and that events are synchronised within the Town.

Councillor D Gallichan was excused.

### **23.0 PUBLIC TOILETS**

#### **Archway Toilets refurbishment**

The Town Clerk reported that two sealed bids had been received and she was still awaiting another, but she had approached another two companies for them to provide quotations.

A Councillor mentioned that following the visit of Ms Virginia Crosbie MP she commented in her discussion with Councillors that she received favourable messages regarding the conditions of the toilets at Beaumaris.

A Councillor asked we need to review as to whether we were charging this year for the toilets.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that for this season the Town Clerk make enquires with regards to the possibility of a card machine accepting the payment.

A Councillor suggested that the fees of the Green could be increased but ensuring that all was aware that part of the fee was contribution for the use of the toilets.

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### **24.0 THE TOWN HALL**

#### **24.1 Fire Escape**

The Town Clerk said that there were three quotations received and had been scored.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Council accept quotation C to carry out the work.

#### **24.2 The Office**

*It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the Press and Public be excluded from this part due to the fact the information was extremely confidential and concerned staff as well.*

The Town Clerk provided an update.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk continues with her negotiations and that the office could possibly relocate.

*It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Press and Public be readmitted.*

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk obtain quotations for an air conditioning system as well as obtaining the views of an Energy Consultant in relation to matters.

## **25.0 FLORAL DISPLAY**

The Town Clerk reported that we could only go with one company in relation to the hanging baskets as there was only one company who hired baskets out.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Council obtain the hanging baskets from Plantscape and retains the services of Haulfre Llangoed.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk review the requirements of the Wales in Bloom and report on the matter to the Events Committee.

It was proposed seconded and carried unanimously that the Town Clerk engage with the community to ascertain if any in the community would be interested in joining a Beaumaris in Bloom Committee.