

MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25TH OCTOBER, 2021
AT 7.00 PM ON ZOOM

PRESENT Cllr J. Crisp (Mayor)
“ A. Bennett
“ E. Breeze
“ T. Davies
“ K. Hawkins
“ J. Hughes
“ M. Jones
“ S. Lees
“ G. Mc Arthur
Anwen Parry
Town Clerk

473/01 APOLOGIES Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Mrs Lynne Evans, Richard Onions and Jamie Jones. Cllr Hughes informed the meeting that Cllr Mrs A Morgan would not be attending and Cllr G Morgan would try to attend the meeting later..

473/02 TO ACCEPT PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS OF BUSINESS
Cllr Davies declared an interest in item 11 as she is a member of RBL Ladies Section

473/03 MINUTES
Council Meeting held on 27.09.21 – True Record unanimously agreed
Finance Panel Meeting held on 18.10.21 – True Record. Cllr Breeze took Council through the recommendations :-
i) Request from Llanidloes Rotary Club for funding towards Llanidloes Bonfire Night – it was unanimously agreed that £300 will be donated.
ii) Request from Llanidloes Cricket Club for funding – it was unanimously agreed that £500 will be donated
iii) Request from Llanidloes Community Services Group for funding towards the toilets on the Gro – The majority of Councillors agreed to donate £2,000. There was one abstention as the Councillor stated that this Council have toilets of their own to run at the back of the Town Hall

473/04 THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED:-
a) Statement of accounts from Public Sector Deposit Fund to 30.09.21 - Received
a) Notification of Mixed payment Plan charges from Barclays Bank Aug – September 2021 - Received

473/05 TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS E MAIL FROM POWYS PRIDE REGARDING FESTIVAL 2022 It was agreed that the Clerk will find out who to contact in the Town and pass the information on to them

473/06 TO DISCUSS OLD MARKET HALL
i) Surveyors Report – Cllr Hughes expressed concern that item 7 in the report mentioned the splash to the building, and suggested that if the speed around the OMH was reduced to 20 mph as previously discussed this would then

automatically reduce the damage to the building. Cllr Breeze expressed concern over PCC dragging their feet and stated that they will not spend any money if they don't have to and then this Council will be left with the bill as the lease expires in ten years time. It was agreed that Clerk will contact the local Cadw representative and ask them to come along and meet with Council as soon as possible.

- ii) E mail from Cllr Crisp Chair OMH Cttee - Cllr Crisp informed Council that she emailed all members of the OMH Management Committee about it's present standing and asked if they were in agreement to transfer the money from their bank account (approx. £3,000) to the Town Council for safe keeping, until a new committee is formed for the running of the OMH. The 6 members who replied have in writing accepted that the OMH committee is no longer in existence and are in total agreement to the transference of monies. Councillors unanimously agreed that the Town Council will accept the monies and hold under a separate heading until a new committee is formed.

473/07 TO DISCUSS E MAIL RECEIVED FROM PCC RE WELSH IN EDUCATION STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2022-2032 Cllr Jones declared as Chair of Governors of Llanidloes School but informed the meeting that the School have sent a response which she is willing to share. It was agreed that the Clerk will respond in the same way as the School.

473/08 TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS E MAIL FROM CAMBRIAN MOUNTAINS SOCIETY Clerk explained that she has invited a representative to join us at the November Council meeting to present the proposal of Area of Natural Beauty (AONB) at the Cambrian Mountains. Councillors were all in favour of the meeting.

473/09 TO RECEIVE BANK RECONCILIATION APRIL 2021 – SEPTEMBER 2021 Some Councillors were unable to open the attachment. Cllr Breeze explained the current bank balance and Councillors received the reconciliation. It was unanimously agreed that £30,000 will be transferred from the Current Account to the Public Sector Deposit Fund.

473/10 TO DISCUSS LETTER RECEIVED FROM CAROL SHILLABEER, CHAIR POWYS LOCAL HEALTH BOARD, REGARDING LLANIDLOES HOSPITAL AND THE WAY FORWARD It was agreed that the response we have received is pretty standard. We have contacted the health board on 2 occasions and those are the only occasions when work has been carried out on the grounds. Councillors were all in favour of Ecology but broken furniture and weeds do not amount to ecology and these things are not addressed in the letter. It was agreed that another letter will be sent challenging some of the issues and asking for a confirmation of time scales.

473/11 TO DISCUSS REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Clerk explained that she has met with Rev Gwalchmai and members of RBL Ladies Section. A plan for the day had been circulated to Councillors earlier in the day. Rev Gwalchmai has now spoken to the RBL Ladies section and they will be attending the service on Remembrance Sunday, therefore, Angela Morgan, Chair of RBL will be reading the Exhortation. Cllr Lees expressed concern with the order of the wreath laying. Clerk explained that all Red poppy wreaths will be laid and then "other" wreaths would be laid but within the service.

473/12 THERE WERE NO PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO DISCUSS

473/13 THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS WERE CONFIRMED

SEPTEMBER

101277	Dragon Trail	150.00
101278	Aztec Print	450.00
101279	Wynnstay	123.73
101280	J C Rowlands	300.00
101281	Banwy Fuels	720.51
101282	B.T.	56.15
101283	Cambrian Training	50.00
101284	ICO	40.00
101285	PC-Q	62.66
101286	LAS Recycling	262.53
101287	C. Taylor	432.00
101288	EDF Energy	247.86
101289	Scottish Power	142.97
101290	PCC (Pension)	1,229.87
101291	Inland Revenue	1,132.59
101292	Beech Tree Services	2,736.25
Total		£ 8,137.12

473/14 COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS

1. Cllr Jones expressed her gratitude to Bob for looking after the hanging baskets at the Town Hall and said how wonderful they looked along with all the other hanging baskets in the Town this year. Clerk explained that we now have a new watering system for the baskets and that helped this year.
2. Cllr Lees expressed concern over sewage entering the river – Clerk will speak to Severn Trent
3. Cllr Hughes asked the reporter from the County Times why Llanidloes features so far back in the County Times – hopefully she will find an answer for us
4. Cllr Davies asked when we are meeting with Mr Chris Lloyd, Clerk said we are still waiting – it has been a long wait!
5. Cllr Crisp informed Council that she has been asked to open the COP26 event in Llanidloes at the beginning of November and wanted the views of Council as to whether she should be involved in this. Cllr Hughes, Council representative on Zero Carbon group thought it important for the Town. After much discussion it was agreed by the Majority of Councillors (one abstained) that she should attend as it is important the Town supports this and would raise awareness.

473/15 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Finance Panel Meeting (initial meeting to set the precept) – 15th November at 6.30 pm

Full Council Meeting - Monday 22nd November 7.00 pm

The meeting ended at 8.10 pm