

TENBY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TENBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD 27th April 2011

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs Evans Mayor
Councillor Morgan
Councillor Mrs Williams
Councillor Mrs Lane
Councillor Mrs Thomas
Councillor Mrs Putwain
Councillor Mrs Brown
Councillor Mrs Rossiter
Councillor Blackhall

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr A. Davies Clerk to the Council/Financial Officer
Mrs L Hensman Assistant Clerk

548 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillor Hallett.

549 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INTERESTS

None disclosed.

550 ITEMS TO PRESS

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Brown, seconded by Councillor Mrs Williams.

Resolved that items of Correspondence and Committee Minutes other than those items marked Not for Publication be given to members of the Press present.

551 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved that the Minutes of the Tenby Town Council held 12th April 2011 be confirmed and signed as accurate with the following amendment:

533b.Mrs John – Tenby toilet facilities.

Change of wording from letter's to correspondence. The Resolution to now read as follows: Resolved for this correspondence to be noted and a copy forwarded to PCC.

552 MATTERS ARISING

512 - Parking

Councillors discussed the ways they are receiving concerns and complaints relating to parking. They agreed to collate the information and reassure the public that they will pass on their concerns to PCC. If they have a complaint they also can pass the information on themselves directly to PCC.

514 – Notice Board on the Croft

The Clerk informed Councillors that he had contacted the company who will be carrying out the work to remove the notice board. They have scheduled the work to begin after the May Bank Holiday.

531b Tenby Toilet Facilities

Councillors expressed they have receive many concerns from the public including elderly locals who feel uncomfortable walking into licensed premises to use their facilities. The De Valence toilets are well used in the week but are not open at weekends when town is busy. The Clerk informed Councillors he had been informed from PCC that they have a plan to re configure the toilets in Upper Frog Street during the winter months to solve the issues they have with them being downstairs, but this will not solve the problem for this season.

553 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a. NP/11/134 – Mrs A Hardy, Poolswood Farm, Nuthurst Grange Lane, Hockley Heath, Solihull, West Midlands – Extension and internal alterations, Flat 3 Paragon Court, The Paragon, Tenby.

Discussion took place between all Councillors present. Proposed approval by Councillor Mrs Lane, seconded by Councillor Morgan.

RECOMMEND

Approval

b.NP/11/135 (Listed Building) - Mrs A Hardy, Poolswood Farm, Nuthurst Grange Lane, Hockley Heath, Solihull, West Midlands – Extension and internal alterations, Flat 3 Paragon Court, The Paragon, Tenby.

Discussion took place between Councillors. Proposed approval by Councillor Mrs Lane, seconded by Councillor Morgan.

RECOMMEND

Approval

c. NP/11/137 – Mr Tim O’Donovan, Denewood, 26 Highfields, Llandaff, Cardiff – Remove existing perimeter (external) railings and replace with new, Old Lifeboat Station, Castle Hill, Tenby.

Discussion took place between Councillors. Proposed approval by Councillor Mrs Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Mrs Williams.

RECOMMEND

Approval

d.NP/11/140 – Ms Judy Courie, Castle View Hotel, 14 The Norton, Tenby – Change of use to dwelling, Castle View Hotel, 14 The Norton, Tenby.

Councillor Mrs Rossiter took no part in discussions or vote on this planning item.

Discussion took place between Councillors. Proposed approval by Councillor Mrs Thomas, seconded by Councillor Morgan.

RECOMMEND

Approval

e.NP/11/150 (Listed Building) - Mr Tim O’Donovan, Denewood, 26 Highfields, Llandaff, Cardiff – Remove existing perimeter (external) railings and replace with new, Old Lifeboat Station, Castle Hill, Tenby.

Discussion took place between Councillors. Proposed approval by Councillor Mrs Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Mrs Williams.

RECOMMEND

Approval

554 PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

a.PCNPA – Local Development Plan Supplementary Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing.

Resolved to note this planning correspondence.

555 CORRESPONDENCE

a.PCC – Old Hospital Site

Councillors discussed as PCC are going to put the land on the market would it be worth asking if they could consider TTC leasing the land for parking for this season only. Councillors also discussed if PCC would consider tidying the site due to the forthcoming Britain in Bloom Finalist Competition Judging. It was

Resolved for the Clerk to send a letter to PCC requesting consideration to lease the land for this season 2011 only and also to consider if the area could be tidied with the forthcoming Britain in Bloom Event judging in mind.

Councillor Blackhall joined the Council Meeting.

b.PCC – Spontaneous Events

This information was discussed with a concern expressed about 3 tents in a field near Bryn Hir land. It was

Resolved to note this information and for the Police to be informed about the tents on Bryn Hir land.

556 **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

a.Tenby Blues Festival

The Clerk informed Councillors the Grant Application had now been signed and distributed copies of the Accounts to Councillor present. Discussion commenced on the finances of the application. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Thomas to discuss this matter in private, seconded by Councillor Mrs Brown It was

Resolved to discuss this information in Private and Confidential Matters.

557 **DE VALENCE**

a. Licences

The Clerk informed Councillors that information states the De Valence building has to be licensed for the playing of background music, it is not the responsibility of individual hirers'. Councillors discussed the various groups who may need this license to be in place. It was proposed for the Clerk to arrange the Licences required by Councillor Blackhall, seconded by Councillor Mrs Lane.

Resolved for the Clerk to arrange the Licences required.

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs Williams and Councillor Morgan abstained from the vote.

b. Artwork Display in De Valence Cafe

Councillor Mrs Putwain asked if the facility to put artwork for sale in the De Valence Cafe windows had been offered to all as she had been approached by a member of the public. After discussion it was

Resolved to offer the opportunity to other local artists. The Clerk to share the display space according to the uptake of interest.

558 REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Mayor reported the distribution of Royal Wedding Mugs to the local primary school children had been received well. Also she had attended the 40th Anniversary of the Playgroup and presented Certificated to Staff for their service to the playgroup.

Tenby Sea Cadets invited the Mayor to present Certificates at their presentation evening and also the Mayor attended the presentation of new Dinghies at the Sailing Club.

Tenby North Residents Association Meeting was also attended by the Mayor, with feedback given to Councillors present.

Councillor Mrs Williams attended the Conservation Forum and gave feedback about the signage they would like to see around the streets and on the roads, but they require it to remain in keeping with the town period. In view of the cost implication they may be submitting a Grant Application in the future.

559 MEDIA ITEMS

It was requested that a letter of praise and a thank you should be sent to Mr Brian Maddocks and his Team at PCC, in relation to the vast improvement made to Slippery Back Road.

Resolved to send a letter of praise to Mr B Maddock and Team PCC.

Councillor Mrs Putwain requested if anything has happened to resolve the change required to the plaque relating to the mural in the Market as pointed out to her by a member of the general public and noted at a previous meeting. The Clerk informed Councillors he had not received any firm information from PCC in relation to them amending the wording.

Resolved for the Clerk to contact PCC and discuss the possibility of amending the plaque if possible by TTC.

560 WHEELED PLAY PARK

Councillors are aware a meeting with local skateboarders and interested parties is scheduled for 2pm tomorrow. Mr A Allison PCC Regeneration Department would also be attending.

Apologies for this meeting received from Councillor Mrs Putwain, Councillor Mrs Lane and Councillor Mrs Rossiter.

561 PARKING

Deferred until next meeting as Councillor Evans not present.

562 IMPROVMENTS TO PARKING SIGNAGE

Deferred until next meeting as Councillor Hallett not present.

563 FINANCIAL OFFICER/CLERK'S ITEMS

a.Actions taken in response to resolutions of Council 12th April 2011

The Clerk outlined the actions taken on items as listed with one addition the street bunting was in the process of being put up and would be completed on Thursday before the Royal Wedding on Friday.

b.Press coverage of meetings

The Clerk reported to Councillors present that he had received communication from the local press relating to reporting on Council Matters. Could he remind Councillors that at every meeting the General Public have a right to be present and the press are reporting on behalf of the General Public and have a duty to report any comments that are expressed. In view of the good relationship the Council has with the press if a matter needs to be Private or Confidential please utilise the facility to discuss the matter in the appropriate section of the minutes. It was

Resolved to note this correspondence.

564 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved that the next meeting will take place on Friday 6th May 2011 at 6.00pm. This will be the Annual General Meeting and Mayor Making.

565 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- a. Sign on Castle Hill – Councillor Mrs Thomas.
- b. Crossing on the Norton – Councillor Mrs Williams.

c. Pigeons/Town Walls – Councillor Blackhall.

566 PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

Proposed by Councillor Morgan seconded by Councillor Mrs Williams.

Resolved that the Council (or Committee) moves into private session under the Public Bodies (admission to Meeting) Act of 1960 by virtue of the business to be transacted would be prejudicial to members of the Public.

567 MINUTES

Resolved that the Private and Confidential Minutes of the Tenby Town Council Meeting held 12th April 2011 be confirmed and signed as accurate with the following amendments:

523 – Staffing

Amendment of minutes to read, the Clerk could have been asked to remain in the chamber.

Councillor Morgan was omitted from the minutes on leaving the chamber, this is to be amended accordingly.

568 MATTERS ARISING

None noted.

569 DE VALENCE

a. re agreements/fees

It was reported that Mr P Kidney had been contacted in relation to running the bar for Mayor Making Evening. Councillors discussed all issues associated with the bar and licensing, it was

Resolved for Councillor Mrs Lane to confirm details with Mr Kidney and Councillor Mrs Brown as De Valence designated Licence holder to designate for the evening the licence to Mr Kidney in writing.

b. Mr Birt (via email) Request for update on Council's position

Councillor Mrs Rossiter and Councillor Mrs Lane declared an interest on this agenda item and left the Chamber.

Full discussion of the future of the De Valence and the way ahead took place between all remaining Councillors. The Covenant remains to be the main concern

in view of this it was proposed by Councillor Blackhall, seconded by Councillor Mrs Putwain to release a press statement of the facts relating to the Covenant.

Resolved to defer any further decisions on the De Valence until after the meeting scheduled for 17th May with Dr S Jones PCC, meanwhile a press release be sent to outline the facts relating to the delay of a decision due to the covenant.

Councillor Mrs Rossiter and Councillor Mrs Lane returned to the Chamber.

c. Blues Festival

Full discussion on all the information available took place. It was proposed to not donate £500 in view of the accounts by Councillor Mrs Putwain, seconded by Councillor Morgan. Vote taken, it was

Resolved for a letter to be sent explaining that TCC will not donating to the Blues Festival this year.

Mayor _____

Town Clerk _____

Date _____