

TENBY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TENBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD
22nd JANUARY 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs S Lane Mayor
Councillor Mr W Crockford
Councillor Mr L Blackhall
Councillor Mr T Brown
Councillor Mrs S Skyrme-Blackhall
Councillor Mrs T Evans
Councillors Mrs S Williams

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr A Davies Clerk to the Council/Financial Officer
Mrs S Thompson Assistant to the Clerk

331. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Cllr Mrs Rossiter, Cllr Mrs Brown, Cllr Hallett and Cllr Evans.

332. TO DISCLOSE ANY PERSONAL INTERESTS IN ITEMS OF BUSINESS LISTED BELOW

The Mayor declared an interest in Item 6b.

333. TO AGREE ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMITTEE MINUTES OTHER THAN THOSE MARKED NOT FOR PUBLICATION BEING GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF THE PRESS PRESENT

Proposed by Cllr Blackhall and seconded by Cllr Brown.

RESOLVED

That items of Correspondence and Committee Minutes other than those items marked Not for Publication be given to members of the Press present.

334. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved that the Minutes of the Tenby Town Council meeting held 11th December 2018 be slightly amended on page 143, item 316b removing ‘how be told’ then confirmed and signed as accurate.

335. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION ONLY

309. Resignation of Cllr Mrs Thomas

The Clerk had informed PCC of Cllr Mrs Thomas’ resignation and the process had commenced for finding a replacement Councillor. The closing date for a

Call for Election will be 29th January 2018. If an election is not called for by this date he asked if Councillors were happy to then start the co-option process. Councillors were in agreement.

RESOLVED

That if there is no Call for Election, the Clerk move to the next stage in Co-Option procedure.

The Clerk also informed Councillors that as Cllr Mrs Thomas was a signatory that a new replacement signatory needed to be appointed. The Mayor proposed Cllr Mrs Williams and Cllr Blackhall seconded.

RESOLVED

That the Bank Mandate be changed to remove Mrs Thomas and appoint Cllr Mrs Williams.

316b. Tenby TIC

The Clerk told Councillors that minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday last regarding the Tenby TIC were on the table. The Mayor said she felt enough had been discussed for the moment and it was a case of waiting to see what the initial result will be from PCC. Hopefully a stay of execution will be granted.

The Clerk read a reply he had received from Rebecca Evans, Minister for Finance, of the Welsh Assembly with regard to tourism tax.

The Minister outlined that there was growing interest across the UK over the introduction of some form of tourism tax and the Welsh Government were examining proposals in consultation with the tourism sector. The Mayor asked that a letter of thanks be sent in reply also asking that we be kept informed as to developments.

316f. Brynhir

The Clerk and Cllr Evans had attended the Save Brynhir Greenspace and Wildlife Group meeting last week. The Clerk had briefly outlined the history of the site since 1987 and Cllr Evans informed the meeting of the HRA's involvement with developments.

The group raised their concerns of which the majority seemed to be, whilst they appreciated the need for affordable housing, that they did not want to see such an important green space lost to predominantly provide for second homes.

They had been informed that TTC's policy was that we would work with PCC and PCNPA to maximise delivery of social and affordable housing for the benefit of local people.

The Clerk then told Councillors that Cllr Pat Davies, Cabinet Member for Housing, had been in contact to confirm the meeting to be held on 18th February 2019 at 2pm in County Hall where PCC will outline the current position on the site.

The Mayor reminded Councillors that it is the view of Tenby Town Council and not personal views that should be conveyed.

336. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND TO AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS

- a. NP/18/0751/FUL – Proposed attic conversion – Flat 3, Cresswell Court, Cresswell Street, Tenby

The Clerk told Councillors that he had since received an amendment to the wording of the application description from PCNPA which he read out.

No objections or letters had been received from neighbouring properties and therefore Cllr Brown proposed accepting the application. Cllr Blackhall seconded subject to there being no complaints from overlooked properties.

RECOMMEND

Approval. Considered against all the relevant policies within the LDP members feel this will not have an adverse effect on neighbouring properties and have no objections to this proposal.

- b. NP/18/0748/FUL – Conversion of existing vacant building to extended brewery at ground floor and change of use at first floor to A3 use – The Glass House, Sergeant’s Lane, Tenby

The Mayor had previously declared an interest in this item and therefore proposed Cllr Blackhall take the chair. Cllr Brown seconded the proposal.

RESOLVED

That Cllr. Blackhall take the chair for this item.

The Mayor then left the Chamber.

No objections had been received. Cllr Brown proposed accepting the application as it enhanced the area. Cllr Blackhall seconded the proposal saying not only did it further enhance the local area, it increased the economic sustainability of the business.

RECOMMEND

Approval. Considered against all the relevant policies within the LDP, with particular reference to Policy 42, members feel this will continue the

enhancement of Sergeant’s Lane in line with PCC’s recent Masterplan for the town, increase the economic sustainability of this business and will not have an adverse effect on neighbouring properties.

The Mayor returned to the Chamber and took the Chair.

- c. NP/18/0757/FUL – Conservatory to rear elevation – Milton, Serpentine Road, Tenby

There had been no objections received by TTC and, as it didn’t appear to be affecting anybody, Cllr Crockford proposed accepting the application. Cllr Mrs Skyrme-Blackhall seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

Approval. Considered against all the relevant policies with the LDP members feel this will not have an adverse effect on neighbouring properties and have no objections to this proposal.

337. TO DISCUSSING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE AND AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS:

- a. Tenby Civic Society Comments

Noted.

338. TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS:-

- a. Anna Jones – Dog Mess

Cllr Blackhall asked if there were any figures available from the Enforcement Officers with regard to dog fouling and fines issued. This information perhaps should be made known to others as a deterrent. The Clerk said that he would try and establish these figures for the next meeting.

The Clerk also told Councillors that Mr N McCarthy, PCC, had dropped in to the office in relation to another matter and he had been made aware of the concerns regarding dog fouling. He was to make District Enforcement aware and request that more patrols are carried out.

The Mayor asked that we reply to Ms Jones accordingly.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk reply to Ms Jones with the above information.

- b. Jane Logan, PCC – Additional Community Governor, Tenby Church in Wales VC Primary School

The Clerk told Councillors that Mrs Thomas had been a Governor and a replacement was now sought. Cllr Blackhall proposed Cllr Mrs Skyrme-Blackhall and Cllr Mrs Williams seconded the proposal.

RESOLVED

That Cllr Mrs Skyrme-Blackhall be nominated as a Community Governor, Tenby Church in Wales VC Primary School.

- c. Dennis O'Connor, Pembrokeshire Tourism – Request for a Meeting

The Clerk told Councillors that he had received a telephone call from Mr O'Connor today following up on this matter. Mr O'Connor feels that a meeting with other tourism stakeholders, not just the Council, would be more productive. Cllr Blackhall suggested this come under the remit of the Regeneration Team and he would organise a meeting.

RESOLVED

That a meeting be arranged between Pembrokeshire Tourism, Tenby Tourism Stakeholders and the Town Council

339. TO RECEIVE REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

None.

340. TO CONSIDER ANY MEDIA ITEMS RELATING TO TENBY TOWN COUNCIL OR TENBY AND AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE

None noted.

341. TO RECEIVE UPDATES AS TO THE SALE OF LAND AT BRYNHIR (IF ANY)

No further updates apart from the next arranged meeting which is scheduled for 18th February 2019 at 2pm in County Hall.

342. TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON SOUTH PARADE (IF ANY)

The Clerk told Councillors that our application had been signed off by the Welsh Government and he had now been able to post the tender for a feasibility study on the Sell 4Wales website. There had been some views but no tenders as of yet.

343. UPDATE ON PLASTIC FREE TENBY INITIATIVES

Nothing to report at this time.

344. TO CONSIDER ANY FINANCIAL OFFICER/CLERK'S ITEMS AND TO AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS

a. PCNPA – New Members

The Clerk reminded members that PCNPA committee is made up of Welsh Government and PCC appointees. The Welsh Government is seeking to appoint 3 new members.

Cllr Blackhall, the Mayor and Cllr Williams expressed an interest. Cllr. Blackhall also encouraged others to apply as it was vital that Tenby, being the largest town in the Park, be represented. A meeting will be organised with the Clerk to discuss the way forward.

345. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th February 2019.

346. TO PROPOSE ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

a. Mayor Elect 2019/2020 – the Mayor

b. Tenby Bandstand – Cllr W Crockford

347. TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) OF BUSINESS UNDER THE “PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT OF 1960”

348. TO CONFIRM THE PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF 8th JANUARY 2019

Resolved that the Private and Confidential Minutes of the Tenby Town Council meeting held 8th January 2019 be confirmed and signed as accurate.