

CARMARTHEN TOWN COUNCIL
MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD ON 24 MARCH 2021 VIA REMOTE VIDEO LINK

The meeting was held in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020 - enabling meetings of local authorities to be held by means of remote attendance.

The Mayor Cllr Gareth John presided over the meeting.

PRESENT: Councillors: Baba Gana, Peter Hughes Griffiths, Gareth John, Angharad Jones Leefe, Alun Lenny, Ken Lloyd, Ioan Matthews, Miriam Moules, Emlyn Schiavone, Jeff Thomas, Matthew Thomas, Wyn Thomas and Barry Williams.

Mr Alun Harries – Clerk to the Town Council
Mrs Melanie Phillips-Rees – Committee Services Officer
Mr Catrin Llwyd – Translator

272. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr's Julia Ault, Phil Grice and Arwel Lloyd.

273. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Alun Lenny declared an interest in Agenda item 11(a) as the Chair of the County Council's Planning Committee.

Cllr Ken Lloyd declared an interest in Agenda item 11(a) as a substitute Member of the County Council's Planning Committee.

274. Questions

None.

275. Public Participation

None.

276. To confirm and sign the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 24th February 2021

It was proposed by Cllr Wyn Thomas, seconded by Cllr Jeff Thomas and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 24th of February 2021 be accepted as a true record.

278. Matters Arising

None.

279. To confirm and sign the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 9th of March 2021

It was proposed by Cllr Peter Hughes Griffiths, seconded by Cllr Barry Williams and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 9th of March 2021 be accepted as a true record.

280. To consider the Committee recommendations or other matters arising

It was proposed by Cllr Peter Hughes Griffiths, seconded by Cllr Angharad Jones Leefe and agreed by all that the required equipment is purchased. Note - the equipment has been procured, as reported by the Clerk (see also 282 below).

281. To confirm and sign the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 11th of March 2021

It was proposed by Cllr Ioan Matthews, seconded by Cllr Emlyn Schiavone and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 11th of March 2021 be accepted as a true record.

282. To consider the Committee recommendations or other matters arising

It was proposed by Cllr Peter Hughes Griffiths, seconded by Cllr Angharad Jones Leefe and agreed by all that the required equipment is purchased. Note - the equipment has been procured, as reported by the Clerk (see also 280 above).

Town Clerk's Report

283. Planning

- a) **PL/01411** - Extension to existing commercial garage - Morgan Motors, Lon Hir, Carmarthen, SA31 1SL - **NO OBJECTION**
- b) **PL/01389** - Conversion of former offices to 3 No. dwelling houses, including Demolition of detached Labs Offices and side lean-to toilets and boiler room additions and Construction of 3 No. Detached Dwelling houses and 3 No. Detached Bungalows - Lime Grove House, Lime Grove Avenue, Carmarthen, SA31 1SW - **SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP THE BUILDING, BUT A FULL CONSULTATION SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THEIR CONCERNS**
- c) **PL/01413** – Listed Building Planning Application in respect of ii. above – **AS ABOVE**
- d) **PL/01123** - Demolish existing conservatory and construct new single store extension - Bron Yr Aur, Johnstown, Carmarthen, SA31 3QU - **NO OBJECTION**

- e) **PL/01485** - Single storey side extension - 1 Parc Yr Onnen, Carmarthen, SA31 1ED - **NO OBJECTION**
- f) **PL/01584** - Change of use from office accommodation to residential dwelling - 3 St Peters Street, Carmarthen, SA31 1LN - **SUPPORTED**
- g) **PL/01305** - Extension to front and side of dormer dwelling - 35 Bronwydd Road, Carmarthen, SA31 2AL - **NO OBJECTION**
- h) **PL/00905** - The building is currently a single storey outbuilding composed of a former coal store, wash house and tool store. The proposal is to redevelop the building into a small self-contained, single story two bedroom holiday let. to bring in additional and sustainable income to the farm - Mile End, Trevaughan Road, Carmarthen, SA31 3QL - **NO OBJECTION**

284. Highways

No matters arose.

285. Licensing

No matters arose.

286. Welsh Government Consultation - Litter & Fly-tipping Prevention Plan for Wales.

The Town Clerk's report was **NOTED**. Cllr Angharad Jones Leefe proposed that the Clerk, together with the staff of the Town Council responds to the consultation, seconded by Cllr Peter Hughes Griffiths. Agreed by all.

287. Dementia Friendly Carmarthen

Cllr Schiavone provided a summary of the work of the Carmarthen Dementia Group, and the Group's constitution had been circulated previously. Cllr Schiavone requested that the Town Council supports the work of the Group and continues to circulate relevant information on social media platforms.

The report was **NOTED**.

288. Membership of One Voice Wales 2021-22

It was proposed by Cllr Angharad Jones Leefe, seconded by Cllr Barry Williams and **AGREED** by all that Town Council membership be renewed for the 2021/22 period.

289. Traws Link Cymru – Campaign to rebuild the Carmarthen to Aberystwyth Railway Line

It was proposed by Cllr Alun Lenny, seconded by Cllr Angharad Jones Leefe that the Town Council should adopt the policy as proposed. Carmarthen Town Council therefore supports the Welsh Government's aim of re-opening the closed railway lines between Carmarthen and Aberystwyth, and Afon Wen and Bangor, and will ensure that the Welsh Government policy for disused railways will be implemented by safeguarding them so that they may be brought back to rail use in the future.

290. Mayor's Report

The Mayor's report was **NOTED**

291. Reports from Councillors as Council Representatives on Outside Bodies

Councillor's reports were **NOTED**.

The meeting closed at 8:14 pm