

**CARMARTHEN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
**HELD ON 8 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 7.30PM**

The meeting was held online in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, enabling meetings of local authorities held from 1 May 2021 to be attended by means of remote attendance.

Cllr. Angharad Jones Leefe presided over the meeting.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Dai Evans (video), Peter Hughes Griffiths, Angharad Jones Leefe (video), Alun Lenny (video), Miriam Moules (video), Russell Sparks (video) and Barry Williams (video).

Emma Smith – Town Clerk

**243. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor Wyn Thomas.

**244. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**245. Matters arising from minutes of the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting**

None

**Town Clerk's Report**

**246. Planning Applications**

- (i) **PL/04850** - Removal of condition 2 on PL/02638 (plans) - Wauniago House, Beech Road, Carmarthen, SA31 3PR. **NO OBJECTION**
- (ii) **PL/04917** - Proposed garden room to rear of existing property - 1 Picton Place, Carmarthen, SA31 3BY **NO OBJECTION**
- (iii) **PL/04968** - Removal of existing side conservatory and to be replaced with proposed single storey side extension - Rudds Cottage, St Peters Street, Carmarthen, SA31 1LN **NO OBJECTION**
- (iv) **PL/04991** - Change of use to upper floor levels above existing coffee shop from Use Class A3 (restaurant and take away) into Use Class C3 (dwelling houses, flats, apartments etc.) - 9 Hall Street, Carmarthen, SA31 1PH **NO OBJECTION**
- (v) **PL/04996** - Proposed Single Storey Extension - Llys Y Prior, Maes Y Prior Road, Bancyfelin, Carmarthen, SA33 5DS **NO OBJECTION**
- (vi) **PL/04526** - Committee resolved to **SUPPORT** the application to retain the marquee for a temporary period until the development of this area would necessitate its removal. Members feel that the marquee does enhance the

character of the area by providing an outdoor eating area for people to enjoy the surroundings, creating a welcoming atmosphere in the square

The Clerk also informed members of correspondence from the Chief Executive of Carmarthenshire County Council responding to the Town Council's queries regarding the Carmarthen West development.

#### **247. Highways Matters**

None

#### **248. Licensing Matters**

None

#### **249. Siân Johnston Environmental Working Group and FairTrade meeting report**

Cllr. Peter Hughes Griffiths congratulated the sub-committee on its work and commented on the positive steps being taken.

Members **NOTED** the report.

#### **250. Carmarthenshire's Draft Street Naming and Numbering Policy (2022)**

Members agreed that individual responses could be submitted if desired.

#### **251. Electoral Administration and Reform White Paper**

Members **NOTED** the consultation and agreed to provide any comments by the end of November.

#### **252. Christmas event 2022 update**

The Clerk provided an update on the Christmas event which is due to take place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Members **AGREED** to allow a bucket collection for Carmarthenshire Toybox Appeal in the area of Santa's grotto on the day of the event.

Committee **NOTED** the update.

#### **253. Review of Town Council Policies**

##### **(i) Communication, Engagement & Consultation Policy**

Members **RECOMMENDED** the revised policy which included some minor

amendments to update the document and make it more inclusive.

#### **254. Correspondence**

(i) Carmarthen Chamber of Commerce

Members considered an application from Carmarthen Chamber of Trade and Commerce wish to place a bench in memory of Gareth Scourfield, Gareth was a businessman of the town.

Committee **RECOMMENDED** that a bench could be placed near the memorial on Lammas St as the preferred option, or in one of the town parks as an alternative. A plaque for a bench on Nott Square was also recommended by committee.

#### **255. E-mail addresses and devices for councillors**

Committee discussed the provision of council email addresses and individual devices to for councillors to access papers. The proposal was considered in accordance with data protection legislation. On the proposal of Cllr. Miriam Moules, seconded by Cllr. Alun Lenny, committee **RECOMMENDED** that email addresses should be provided for all councillors. A device should be offered to all councillors, but not mandatory if security requirements could be met.

#### **256. Community Wellbeing & Events Officer's Report**

Members **NOTED** the report.

#### **257. Operations Officer's Report**

Members **NOTED** the report.

**The meeting closed at 8.17pm.**