

TENBY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TENBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18th July 2017

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs S Lane Mayor
Councillor Mr B James
Councillor Mr L Blackhall
Councillor Mr T Brown
Councillor Mrs T Rossiter
Councillor Mrs S Williams
Councillor Mr T Hallett

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

113. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Cllrs Mrs Ward, Mrs Thomas, Mr. Rapi and Mr. Griffiths.

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

Cllrs Mrs Rossiter and the Mayor declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 9a. Cllr Mrs Williams declared a personal and prejudicial interest in items 9a and 7d. Cllr Hallett declared a personal interest in 7b.

115. TO AGREE ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMITTEE MINUTES OTHER THAN THOSE MARKED NOT FOR PUBLICATION BEING GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF THE PRESS PRESENT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 Hallett and seconded by Cllr James.

Resolved that items of Correspondence and Committee Minutes other than those items marked Not for Publication be given to members of the Press present.

116. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved that the Minutes of the Tenby Town Council meeting held 4th July 2017 be amended to ‘Response’ at item 106, then confirmed and signed as accurate.

117. MATTER ARISING

Regeneration Plan

The Clerk confirmed that Mr Vince Sandwell of the BE Group will return to meet with members of the Town Regeneration team on 26th July at 6pm.

106. – South Parade

Following the previous Council meeting the Clerk had written to all relevant departments within Pembrokeshire County Council and to date had received no replies. The Clerk had also written to Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority (PCNPA) and had received a reply from Ms Gibson confirming that she will lead and liaise on behalf of PCNPA.

The Clerk confirmed that a team of volunteers from Pembrokeshire College will be painting the benches on the South Parade tomorrow (Wednesday, 19th July) and also mentioned that PCC were in the process of replacing bins on the South Parade with the new style double recycling bins.

The Mayor had received a message from her contact regarding the lighting up of the Town Walls and briefly went through some points including the purpose of grant, exploring costs, approaching suppliers, heritage boards to name but a few. There is a deadline in Wales for grant applications of 21st August and the Mayor commented that it may be that this is just too soon bearing in mind that we have yet to hear back from any member of the Pembrokeshire County Council. The Mayor suggested Sinead Henehan, in Community Regeneration as a possible PCC member that could be worked with. The timescale is too short but we need to tell them what we want to apply for. Focus now on next year but meet with contact now and start the ball rolling.

107c. – Jubilee Play Park

The Clerk advised Councillors that the Jubilee Play Park sub-committee had today met and a Contract for the resurfacing work had been agreed upon. It is hoped that work will commence after October half term. The Clerk also mentioned the fact that the new basket swing had been removed due to a worn bush - suppliers had been contacted and a response is awaited.

118. TO RECEIVE THE NOTES OF THE TENBY REGENERATION TEAM WIFI SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING HELD 5TH JULY 2017

Noted

119. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND TO AGREE ATION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSAL:

- a. NP/17/0360/LBA – Mr. Kim Walker, 39A Cefn Coed Road, Cyncoed, Cardiff – Alterations to existing loft room including renewing and raising roof level and creating dormers to rear – Shore View, 1 Crackwell Street, Tenby

Councillors agreed that the plans didn't appear to affect anyone else and Cllr James recommended approval and Cllr Brown seconded.

RECOMMEND

Approval as this will enhance the building without having an adverse effect on neighbouring properties or the character of the area.

- b. NP/17/0362/ADV – Co-operative Food, Food Programme Delivery Orchid Group, 1 Angel Square, Manchester – 1 internally illuminated Co-Op projector, 1 set non-illuminated 'Welcome To' text, 2 non-illuminated Co-Op logos (retrospective) – Co-Op Convenience Store, The Green, Tenby

Cllr Mrs Rossiter commented on how once again the Co-op have pushed the boundaries as this is a retrospective application, adding that they should be made to take it down – this is a residential area and a busy road and they have been aware of this from the very start. Cllr Blackhall agreed with Cllr Rossiter adding that there is far too many retrospective applications coming before Council. This is a big company and more was expected from such an ethical point of view. There is sufficient signage which, when stuck in traffic, is clear for all to see. The entrance/exit is too small and, at the outset, Councillors raised concerns regarding traffic management. Delivery lorries, which were supposed to deliver within agreed hours, are arriving at all times causing traffic chaos. Cllr Blackhall recommended refusal as the lights were overly bright and obtrusive and Cllr Mrs Rossiter seconded the recommendation.

RECOMMEND

Refusal. The proposal is overly bright and intrusive within a predominantly residential area and members are disappointed that a national company such as the Co-op could not devise a more sensitive scheme given the location.

- c. NP/17/0373/LBA – Mr. and Mrs. Farmiloe c/o agent Poole Phillips Associates, 69A High Street, Pershore - Removal or internal passenger lift, UPVC conservatory and windows and replacement with traditional timber sashes with bi-fold doors to basement with balcony over – Little Rock House, 6 Rock Houses, St Julian Street, Tenby

Also considering item 7f as one is a LBA and the other is the FUL application

NP/17/0386/FUL - Mr. and Mrs. Farmiloe c/o agent Poole Phillips Associates, 69A High Street, Pershore – Balcony to south-east elevation over extended basement – Little Rock House, 6 Rock Houses, St Julian Street, Tenby

Cllr Mrs Rossiter commented that they were really enhancing the property and doing a great job and Cllr Hallett added that it was nice to see plastic windows being replaced by timber. Cllr Mrs Rossiter proposed accepting the application and Cllr Hallett seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

Approval as this is a sympathetic upgrading and enhancement of a listed building.

- d. NP/17/0383/ADV – Mr. Jordan, Café Feel Good, 1 Warren Street, Tenby – Signage – 1 Warren Street, Tenby

Cllr Hallett said that once again this was a retrospective application for signage already in place – they should have applied first. The Mayor commented that this seems to be commented on at every meeting. Cllr James enquired if there had been stickers on the window with the previous business. Cllr James recommended approval and Cllr Brown seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

No objection.

- e. NP/0380/FUL – Mr. Jamie Dalton, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water c/o agent Miss Eleanor Sullivan, Asbri, Suite 4, J Shed, King’s Road, Swansea – Construction of 2.4m high security fencing with associated access gates – The Salterns, Marsh Road, Tenby

Cllr Hallett moved on the grounds of Health & Safety and Cllr Brown seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

Approval in the interests of public safety and site security.

Additional Post Agenda Applications

NP/17/0294/FUL – Mr Matt Powell, Ocean Commotion, Lower Frog Street, Tenby – Provision of new external fire door opening to south elevation. Change of use of part of existing adventure/play centre to provide owner’s accommodation – Ocean Commotion, Lower Frog Street, Tenby

Cllr Hallett commented that they provide a service to the town and this should be approved, Cllr Blackwell adding that this was helping to ensure the business remained viable. Cllr Brown felt that the application enhanced the protection of the property. Cllr James seconded.

Approval as this will assist in safe-guarding the property and improve a local business.

NP/17/0404/LBA - Mr Matt Powell, Ocean Commotion, Lower Frog Street, Tenby – Internal re-arrangement of indoor play centre, café and gift shop including alterations to provide owners accommodation. Provision of external fire door and notice boards to façade – Ocean Commotion, Lower Frog Street, Tenby

RECOMMEND

Approval as this will assist in safe-guarding the property and improve a local business.

120. TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND TO AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE:

a. Mr Marc Owen, PCC – Parking charges review.

Following Council’s previous meeting, the Clerk had written to Pembrokeshire County Council’s Marc Owen and had now received a response. The Mayor noted that it appeared to say quite a bit but didn’t answer the question of why Tenby’s car parking charges were higher than other towns in the County. Cllr Blackhall suggested that if Mr Owen was unable to answer our queries then perhaps the Clerk should write to Mr Owen’s Director inviting him to visit and answer the queries that Councillors have raised.

Resolved that the Clerk write to the Mr Owen’s Director at PCC and ask if he would be willing to attend to answer previous queries.

121. TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING LICENSING APPLICATIONS AND TO AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS:

a. The Three Mariners, St George Street, Tenby – Variation of premises licence

The Mayor declared her interest in this item, proposed the previous Mayor, Cllr Blackhall, take the chair and left the Chamber along with Cllr Mrs Rossiter and Cllr Mrs Williams.

This application is for the establishment to revert to opening hours previously held before they were reduced following a licensing review due to various incidents of anti-social behaviour in the area. Cllr Brown objected as he felt it was not the right time of year with the family summer holidays just around the corner. He felt there are enough businesses/premises offering late night opening. He did however say that he wouldn’t object to an application for extension of hours for a special occasion. Cllr Hallett questioned if it was 1.30 stop tap or 1.30 all

vacated. The Clerk said that the variation indicated that drinks would be served until 1 am with the closing time as 1.30 am. Cllr James asked if local residents would be aware of this licensing application to which the Clerk replied that there should be a sign in the vicinity, a notice in a local paper and information published on the licensing website. Cllr Blackhall raised concerns commenting that there appears to have been little disturbance in this area since early closing had been enforced. Cllr Brown proposed refusing this application and Cllr Hallett seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

Refusal as extension of hours could lead to a resurgence of anti-social behaviour in the area to the detriment of the licensing objectives in relation to crime and disorder and public safety.

The Mayor, Cllr Mrs Rossiter and Cllr Mrs Williams returned to the Chamber.

122. TO RECEIVE REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Caves at Hoyle's Mouth

Cllr Hallett had attended a very interesting talk on the Caves at Hoyle's Mouth adding that, ancient or modern, Pembrokeshire is a good place to be!

Tenby in Bloom

The Mayor, Cllr Mrs Sue Lane, reminded Councillors that the judging of Tenby in Bloom would take place the following day (Wednesday, 19th July) and that there would be a Report to follow.

Tenfoot Swim

The Mayor had been invited to join the inaugural Tenfoot swim from Tenby to Saundersfoot and it had been an absolutely super event. She was pleased to have been invited and looked forward to next year! All monies raised goes to charity.

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

The Clerk reported that 'Harbour' the programme focussing on Tenby Harbour aired previously on ITV Wales was to be shown again on Sunday evening but this time on National ITV – 4 condensed episodes will be aired.

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

Nothing to report at this time.

125. CONDITION OF OLD TENBY CEMETERY

As Cllr Mrs Ward was not in attendance at the meeting it was agreed to defer this item until the next Council meeting.

Regarding Tenby New Cemetery, Cllr Mrs Rossiter asked if there was any news with regards to the gate and fence as she was very concerned about the dogs and their walkers. The Clerk confirmed that it has been measured and currently the cost is looking to be in the region of £1,000.

126. CONDITION OF TENBY POST OFFICE BUILDING

Cllr Mrs Ward was not in attendance this evening, it was agreed to defer this matter until the next Council meeting.

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

- a. Delegation of authority to deal with urgent matters during the Summer recess

Cllr Hallett moved and Cllr Blackhall seconded that the Clerk be delegated powers to deal with urgent matters following consultation with the Mayor and any other members the Mayor deemed necessary.

Resolved that the Clerk be delegated powers to deal with urgent matters following consultation with The Mayor and any other members the Mayor deemed necessary.

- b. The Clerk thanked those Councillors who had turned out for the funeral of former town councillor and Mayor, Mr Lewis Day and advised Councillors that he had recently heard of the death of Rev John Joseph, former Town Councillor and past Minister of St John's Church. He had written a letter of condolence to the family on behalf of Tenby Town Council.
- c. A planning application for a property at Park Place previously considered by the Council has been withdrawn. Councillors had recommended refusal of the application due to loss of light and amenity to the property below.

128. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 5th September 2017 at 7.30pm.

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

130. MINUTES

Resolved that the Private and Confidential Minutes of 4th July 2017 be amended to ‘unpleasant for the residents in houses on the opposite side of the road to be in darkness’ then confirmed and signed as accurate.

Mayor _____

Town Clerk _____

Date _____