

TENBY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TENBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD 20th June 2017

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs S Lane Mayor
Councillor Mr L Blackhall
Councillor Mr J Griffiths
Councillor Mrs T Rossiter
Councillor Mrs C Thomas

IN ATTENDANCE:

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

The Mayor welcomed Lt Cmdr Sue Gittings, representative of Tenby Sea Cadets to the meeting of Tenby Town Council.

Lt Cmdr Sue Gittings proceeded with a presentation on the Sea Cadets stressing that this exercise was to raise awareness in the community and to hopefully attract adult helpers. Currently Tenby Sea Cadets are desperately looking for adult helpers and supporters and are also seeking any fundraising ideas and opportunities.

Lt Cmdr Sue Gittings went on to explain that there are Junior and Senior cadets meeting twice weekly on Tuesdays and Thursday between 7 and 9pm (8.30pm for the juniors). Activities on offer to cadets include sailing, kayaking/canoeing, camp craft, first aid, navigation, map reading skills and cooking but to name a few. Confidence and team building skills are honed. The Sea Cadets help people to become the best they can. Regarding the recruitment and selection, she spoke of the vigorous checks that are carried out to ensure all is in line with current safeguarding legislation.

Cllr Mrs Rossiter suggested that she may like to visit the Youth club as members there may know of interested parties. It was also suggested that, if they had details of former cadets, a reunion of ex members could be organised to try and encourage more participation. The Mayor admitted that it does appear very hard to get volunteers in this day and age but added that the Council would support Tenby Sea Cadets in any way they can.

Cllr Mrs Rossiter thanked Lt Cmdr Sue Gittings for all the work she does with youngsters saying that it also teaches them respect.

74. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Cllrs Mrs Ward, Mrs Williams, James, Brown and Mrs Brown.

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

None declared at this time.

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 TO AGREE ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMITTEE MINUTES OTHER THAN THOSE MARKED NOT FOR PUBLICATION BEING GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF THE PRESS PRESENT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

Resolved that items of Correspondence and Committee Minutes other than those items marked Not for Publication be given to members of the Press present.

77. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved that the Minutes of the Tenby Town Council meeting held 6th June 2017 be confirmed and signed as accurate.

78. MATTER ARISING

488a. – Local Development Plan Retail Policy Revision

The Clerk told Councillors that a meeting had taken place and that a Report from that meeting will be available at the next TTC meeting.

6a - South Parade Trees

Cllr Mrs Thomas wanted to ensure that TTC are involved at all stages of the decisions being made regarding the trees on the South Parade. It was suggested that the Clerk writes to say that TTC are looking forward to meeting with all those involved as soon as talks start. The Clerk informed Councillors that PCC took action asap and discussion as to what goes back will take place but that no decision will be made in the short term.

The soil may be contaminated so would need resolving before any new planting occurred. One for one replacement may be felt as too many and perhaps new trees may be not so close together but he had been assured that all parties will be involved in consultation. The Clerk said he would be very surprised if any action regarding possible replacement of the trees is taken before September. Cllr Blackhall agreed with the need to take time, commenting on the state of paving, the need for clearing the land/decontamination, what type of tree would suit all and the significant financial implications. All options need to be considered. The Mayor said that the walls are looking fantastic, Cllr Mrs Thomas quoting 'Standing proud protecting Tenby'. Any decisions need to be carefully considered and that maybe there should be a further Council meeting to discuss what is wanted.

59. – Signs Leading to Castle Hill

Cllr Mrs Thomas asked if the sign at Jasperley House be added to those needing renovation as this is an important historical notice.

60. – Castle Hill

Cllr Mrs Thomas asked if there had been any reply to Councillor's queries regarding the ongoing work and the Clerk said that there were many departments involved with the works and he was awaiting a full plan of action.

65d. – Tenby Soap Box Derby

Cllr Mrs Thomas asked if it had been cancelled or postponed and the Clerk confirmed that he had spoken to Matt Broadhurst, Chairman of Tenby Round Table, who had said that a few items need sorting but that it may go ahead in September.

79. To consider the following Planning Applications and to agree action in response to proposals:

- a. NP/17/0326/ADV – M&Co., 12 High Street, Tenby – 4 x fascia signs and 1 x projecting hanging sign – 12 High Street, Tenby

Cllr Mrs Thomas proposed no objections and Cllr Mrs Rossiter seconded this proposal.

RECOMMEND

Approval. The signage is well designed and complements the Conservation area. While members regret that the signage has already been erected prior to consent, they understand the expediency required to meet the official opening deadlines.

- b. NP/17/0277/FUL – Mr. Alan Lodge, Oxford Lodge, Lower Frog Street, Tenby – Single storey replacement rear extension – Oxford Lodge, Lower Frog Street, Tenby

Cllr Mrs Thomas said she could not see that it affected the frontage and sees no problem. The Mayor asked if any neighbours had expressed views and the Clerk confirmed that none had been in to view the plans. Cllr Mrs Rossiter said it looked like it would tidy up and improve the current building. Cllr Mrs Rossiter proposed approval and Cllr Mrs Thomas seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

Approval. The proposals modernise a mismatch of existing buildings with no adverse effect on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

- c. NP/17/0332/FUL – Mr. Lorne Alway, Gwynne House, 3 Bridge Street, Tenby – Alterations to Gwynne House to provide new bedroom in second floor extension – Gwynne House, Bridge Street, Tenby.
- d. NP/17/0333/LBA - Mr. Lorne Alway, Gwynne House, 3 Bridge Street, Tenby – Alterations to Gwynne House to provide new bedroom in second floor extension – Gwynne House, Bridge Street, Tenby.

It was agreed to take both these items together. Cllr Mrs Thomas could not see it affecting the street view. Council had been concerned with a previous application on this building in that it would alter the vista of Tenby harbour but the applicant appeared to have now addressed this. Cllr Mrs Thomas proposed approval and Cllr Mrs Rossiter seconded the proposal.

RECOMMEND

Approval. The proposals have minimal impact on the character of this building and the row of neighbouring properties and would be acceptable under Policy 14 of the LDP.

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

- a. Tenby Civic Society – Comments on applications NP/17/0326/ADV and NP/17/0277/FUL

Noted.

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

- a. Tenby Chamber of Trade and Tourism – Minutes of the Annual General meeting

Cllr Mrs Rossiter thanked TCTT for their Minutes and for their good work.

Noted and accepted.

82. TO RECEIVE REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Walk in Centre

Cllr Mrs Thomas informed Councillors that the next meeting of SEPCHN will be on 25th July and asked that if there are any comments to feed back to please let her or Mr. Mansel Thomas know. Cllr Blackhall congratulated all those involved for

their fabulous work in getting this project running. He felt it important that people use it and know what is available to them and asked if there was a brochure. Cllr Mrs Thomas informed Councillors that there is a publicity lady who is currently away on holiday but that posters will be distributed and that she herself would be delivering information to caravan parks etc. Cllr Blackhall offered his support in distribution of information if needed.

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

Cllr Mrs Rossiter had seen a full page article in the Mail on Sunday about Lexden Terrace, Tenby with fantastic pictures. It brought a lump to her throat she commented.

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

The Clerk advised Councillors that no further updates had been received at this time. Cllr Mrs Rossiter had noticed that the grass is exceptionally high and wondered if the gentleman who had been leasing the land and who usually kept the grass cut had perhaps given up the land.

Resolved that the Clerk write to enquire as to what is going on.

85. TO CONSIDER THE CONDITION OF THE BENCHES ON SOUTH PARADE AND AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS

Cllr Mrs Thomas said that not only do all the benches need to be looked at on the South Parade but also the bins, saying that now that the trees have been removed the area needs to be kept immaculate. The Clerk confirmed that he was in contact with Mr M Harries of PCC who is prepared to provide the paint if our handyman or volunteers are prepared to undertake the work. Maybe it was a project that the Tenby Youth Club could be involved with. The Mayor suggested asking Kiln Park to assist. Councillors are also concerned that rubbish is being put out when it shouldn't be.

Resolved that an eye be kept on the South Parade with regards to rubbish bins and that the Clerk continue to liaise with PCC to get a painting project under way.

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

a. Road Closures

The Clerk informed Councillors of the Tenby 10K which is taking place on 30 July 2017 and advised of road closures.

b. Masterplan

The Clerk advised Councillors that Mr Vince Sandwell of the BE Group would like to come in to speak to Councillors regarding the Masterplan prior to the next TTC meeting on 4th July 2017 at 7pm. Councillors agreed to this.

87. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 4th July 2017 at 7.00pm. Mr Vince Sandwell will speak to Councillors about the Masterplan.

88. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None at this time.

89. 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”.

90. MINUTES

Resolved that the Private and Confidential Minutes of 6th June 2017 be confirmed and signed as accurate.

91. MATTERS ARISING

Play Areas

The Mayor suggested Councillors going to have a look at St Teilo’s School playground as they have recently installed new equipment and it may be good for ideas.

Trees to the Rear of St Teilo’s School

Cllr Mrs Rossiter spoke of her concerns regarding the trees at the back of St Teilo’s, on the St John’s Hill side, as they are huge and appear to be leaning.

Resolved that the Clerk write to St Teilo’s School, PCC and National Parks Tree Officer expressing Council’s concerns over the trees asking that they be checked especially bearing in mind their location and the safety of school children.

Mayor _____

Town Clerk _____

Date _____