



Newcastle Emlyn Town Council

## **MINUTES**

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Newcastle Emlyn Town Council held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 7.30pm at The Cawdor Hall, Newcastle Emlyn, Present :- Mayor – Cllr Cefin Evans, Councillors:- Allan Davies, Barry Evans, Hazel Evans, Alan Jones, Jayne Ludgate, Maureen Webley. Clerk: Stella Jones. Member of the Press.

**1. 04/19 Ymddiheiriadau am Absenoldeb / Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs Kelvin Baker, Peter Lewis, Odette Little.

**2. 04/19 Datgelu Diddordeb Personol ac Ariannol dan Eitemau Busnes sydd wedi eu Rhestru Isod / To Disclose Personal & Pecuniary Interests in Items of Business listed below**

Finance – 9.2.02/19.- Cllr H Evans

**3. 04/19 Heddlu / Police** – PCSO J Kedward –

**4. 04/19 I gymeradwyo Cofnodion Cyfarfod Misol 21.03.2019 / To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 21.03.2019**

Proposed by Cllr A Davies

Seconded by Cllr H Evans

**5. 04/19 Materion yn codi / Matters Arising**

Ref 11.10/16 Castle Lights & CADW – Cllr A Jones stated that he'd had a quote of £892 from the stone mason, hopefully there will be a 50% grant from CADW, it would be good if council could enter into an agreement with CADW for a regular maintenance agreement. Cllr B Evans suggested that perhaps signs could be put up as it is a problem with people climbing on the walls and causing damage.

Ref 10.ii.03/18 Council Website – Cllr J Ludgate stated that the old links were still appearing on Google for council website but things improving. Still working on the translation into Welsh and waiting to talk to Nia ap Tegwyn.

Ref 10.iii.03/18 Defibrillator – Cllr C Evans stated that this was still being looked into and there could be a grant from the British Heart Foundation

Ref 11. 4.a.02/19 Clock Tower – Cllr B Evans stated that he would try and get a builder he knew to have a look at the work

Ref 11.1.c.02/19 Potholes behind Cawdor Terrace – Cllr H Evans stated that she was having discussions with property regarding who should pay for repairs, she did not feel that it should be the responsibility of the Mart people as it was a public right of way and any traffic could use it. It was also stated that repairs were being carried out by the county council to pavements in the town that had been damaged by lorries and cars taking to the footpaths parking on pavements.

Ref 11.2.c.02/19 Tree in Castle Grounds – the tree looks worse than before and maybe someone has set fire to it – *Cllr B Evans stated that he would get someone to give his expert opinion on its state*

Ref 6.xv. LAS Recycling – Clerk stated we were tied with their contract until November but that they had reduced the price to match the quote from CWM.

Ref 11.6.03/19 Land behind Maesllewelyn – it was reported that the area around had been sprayed and it has made a tremendous difference. Perhaps now it could be covered with a wildflower seed mix.

Ref 10.10/18 Mart Toilets – Cllr C Evans raised the matter of the toilets only being open six days a week and that there was a need for them to be open for seven days. A few councillors agreed they would open and shut the toilets themselves on a Sunday and make sure they were clean.

**6. 04/19 Gohebiaeth / Correspondence**

i. Western Power Distribution – notice of Temporary Unmetered Connections for Festive Lighting 2018/19

ii. email – CCC – Planning Applications 18.03.2019 - 22.03.2019 – *circulated*

iii. e-mail – Institute of Welsh Affairs – Your council's contribution to Understanding Welsh Places – *circulated*

iv. email – CCC – Planning Applications 25.03.19 - 29.03.19 – *circulated*

v email – CCC – Community Partnership Agreement 2019 – re Mart Toilets – *for signing*

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- vi. email – Jennifer Leveson-Gower Ablitt – stating that there were dogs running loose in the Castle Grounds – *there are dog signs there stating that this is not allowed*
- vii. email – Consultation until 12/05/2019: Consideration of proposals to amend the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013 – *circulated*
- viii. email – Jill Sutton – Newcastle Emlyn Fairtrade Group next meeting 8<sup>th</sup> April at 5.30pm – *circulated*
- ix. email – PWLB Audit Statement - 38372 - 31 March 2019
- x. email – CCC – Carmarthenshire County Council Draft Local Toilets – *circulated*
- xi. email – CCC – Planning Applications 01.04.19 - 05.04.19 – *circulated*
- xii. email – Aled Roberts – Message from the Welsh Language Commissioner introducing himself – *circulated*
- xiii. email – CCC – Planning Applications 08.04.19 - 12.04.19 – *circulated*
- xiv. email – CCC – Managing Green Spaces workshop 28/06/19, NBGW, Llanarthne – *Cllrs H Evans & Odette Little wish to attend.*
- xv. email – Merchant Navy Day 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019
- xvi. email – OVW – News Bulletin – *circulated*
- xvii. email – Jill Sutton – Carmarthenshire Fair Trade News Bulletin – *circulated*
- xviii. email – Tristan Thomas – *letter of complaint that the mart had not been cleaned Cllr H Evans stated that she had also received a letter and had dealt with the matter*
- xix. email – Huts Flood Update
- xx. email – OVW – Payment to Members of Community & Town Councils – *circulated*
- xxi. email – Came & Company Insurance

**7. 04/19 Adroddiadau Pwyllgorau / Committee Report**

Hanes Emlyn - to host a series of guest speakers – starting with Mr John Fletcher and his Shire Horses on May 8

**8. 04/19 Ceisiadau Cynllunio / Planning Applications**

W/38621 – Voelallt View, 6 Market Sqr NCE, SA38 9AE – proposed change of use of garage/workshop to a separate small dwelling and add small conservatory to rear – *no objection*

**9. 04/19 Materion Ariannol / Financial Matters**

- a. Rates Notice for 2019/20 .....£3313.80
- b. Footway Lighting Charges – Financial Year 2019/20:-  
[Energy-£853.20, Maintenance-£1708.83, VAT-£512.41]

**1. Invoice**

i.	Wyn Davies, Handyman(19/03/19-14/04/19).....	£710.00
ii.	J Long, Toilet Cleaning(20/03/19-17/04/19) .....	£224.00
iii.	G Lowry, Toilet Cleaning (01/04/19-16/04/19) .....	£168.00
iv.	Cardigan Bay [clock toilet cleaning materials].....	£37.42
v.	Cardigan Bay [mart toilets cleaning material] .....	£18.71
vi.	Stella Jones[Ink Cartridge£38 & stamps£15.72] .....	£53.72
vii.	Alan Jones [window cleaning] .....	£8.00
viii.	ABS[fire extinguishers servicing fee] .....	£36.54

**2. S/O**

LAS [4weeks] .....	£97.80	31/03/2019
Clerk's Salary .....	£372.66	
PLUS NET .....	£34.20	[April]
CCC Rates .....	£334.80	
SWALEC .....	£65.00	
DWR CYMRU .....	£65.50	

**3. Credit**

**i. Rental of Courtyard, Cawdor Hall**

UNIT 1 [Karen Wilkinson].....	£161.00
UNIT 2 [Laura Calvert] .....	£161.00
UNIT 3 [ Paula McCreary].....	£143.07
UNIT 4 [Diane Newman].....	£173.33

- ii. Rental for Gallery .....
- iii. Electricity Unit 3 .....

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**4. Requests for Financial Assistance**

- Eisteddfod CNE - £100
- Gŵyl Fwyd CNE – £100
- HUTS - £50 - *councillors keen to visit to see what practical help if any they could give.*
- Oxygen Therapy Centre Cardigan –
- Cruse Bereavement Care -
- Carers Trust Crossroads Sir Gar – CATCHUP Service

**10. 04/19 Materion Angen Trafodaeth / Matters for Discussion**

- i. Dirprwy Faer / *Deputy Mayor* – *Cllr Cefin Evans* –  
*Proposer* – *Cllr Barry Evans* *Seconder* – *Cllr Allan Davies*
- ii. Councillors' Expenses – councillors were given the opportunity to opt out or receive statutory expenses. It was also agreed that the Mayor should in future be receiving a Budget rather than an allowance
- iii. Names for Awards – Mr John Fletcher, Mr Tom Knott-Jones, Ms Alice Walters, Miss Lilly Rees, Mr & Mrs Ken Jones, Miss Leia Vobe.

**11. 04/19 Sylwadau'r Cynghorwyr / Councillors' Comments**

1. Cllr A Jones – stated that he had received a possible problem regarding the large oak tree in the King George V playing field it was agreed to get someone in to have a look at it to make sure it is safe or needs sorting, there might be a tree preservation order in place.
2. Cllr C Evans – congratulated Ysgol Gerdd on winning the Côr Cymru competition and wished them well when they will be competing in Sweden - *Clerk to send a letter of congratulations*
3. Cllr B Evans – stated that there is a problem with a boundary fence in the castle grounds it is at the entrance where the dragon signs are, he'd tried propping it up with timber but will need steel bracing.
4. Cllr A Davies – stated that a lot of people did not realise that there was free parking in town on certain days and times and that they needed to get a ticket even though it was free. Cllr H Evans stated that NCE had the highest usage of free parking in the County. Cllr C Evans said the free parking had been much appreciated by shoppers.

**12. 04/19 Date of next meeting**

Cyfarfod Blynyddol Nos Fercher Mai 15ed 2019 yn Ysgol Gyfun Emlyn am 7.30yh / *Annual Meeting at Ysgol Gyfun Emlyn on May 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 7.30pm*  
Cyfarfod Misol Nos Iau Mai 16eg 2019 yn Neuadd Cawdor am 7.30yh / *Date of Next Monthly Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at the Cawdor Hall 7.30pm*

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 9.50pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

