

Cyngor Tref Castell Newydd Emlyn

Newcastle Emlyn Town Council

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The monthly meeting of the Newcastle Emlyn Town Council was held on Thursday 16th September 2010 at 7:30pm in the Teifi Valley Day Centre, Newcastle Emlyn. The Mayor, Cllr Cefin Evans presided. Present: Cllr Peter Lewis, Cllr Hazel Evans, Cllr Kelvin Baker, Cllr Odette Little, Cllr Pauline Evans, Cllr Alan Jones, Cllr Maureen Webley, Cllr Gareth Williams. Members of the press and public

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PCSO Jeff Kedward provided the Police Report. There had been a successful 6-a-side football tournament 15th August at the School Playing Field. The next Pact meeting would be 21st October but these meetings were still under review because of poor attendance. Fair Night 18th September would be policed with additional support from four specials.

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Ian Johnson, wood sculptor addressed the meeting, outlining the plans for a wooden carved egg sculpture which was part of a number of installations for the Castle grounds following a successful RDP grant application by the Dragon Festival Committee. A concrete plinth would be constructed on the castle mound on the previous site of the war memorial. This had been agreed with CADW. It was hoped to arrange workshops for local carvers to take part in the project, which was hoped would be completed by December.

1. Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb
Apologies for Absence

(161) Vanessa Owens (Clerk)

In the Clerk's absence Cllrs Hazel Evans & Maureen Webley took notes.

2. To Disclose personal and pecuniary interests....
3. Gymeradwyo Cofnodion Cyfarfod 15.07.10
To approve the Minutes of the Meeting 15.07.10

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Amendments (127) should read 'had been attached to old castle lease

(120) should read Carmarthenshire County Council

Further to these amendments Cllr Pauline Evans proposed that the minutes be accepted as correct; this was seconded by Cllr Odette Little and accepted by a majority. The minutes were signed accordingly.

To approve the minutes of the meeting of 23rd August 2010

Amendment (156) should include 'and this cost had been agreed'

Further to this amendment Cllr Maureen Webley proposed that the minutes be accepted as correct and this was seconded by Cllr Odette Little and accepted by a majority. The minutes were signed accordingly.

2. Materion yn codi
Matters arising

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Ref 01/08 Car Park Signs

List sent by Cllr Hazel Evans to HJ & the Clerk on 6th July. Item deferred.

(164)

Ref 04/08 Christmas Lights

Cllr Hazel Evans to ask Mr O.Hesford to order new lights for New Road.

(165)

Ref 16/08 Castle Repairs

Cllr Alan Jones reported that he was awaiting specifications and quotes from CADW.

(166)

Ref 17/08 CCTV

Sgt. Clarke & Cllr Gareth Williams to meet on 21/9 with cherry picker to realign some cameras and assess efficiency.

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Ref 25 09/08 Market Car Park chains

Cllr Baker reported that the posts and chains were being done. The light by the NFU had also been reinstated.

(168)

Ref 45 02/09 Mart Car Park

Some pot holes been done. No progress on the TC taking over the car park. Clerk to email John McEvoy. Also to email Lloyds Bank re wall

(169)

Ref:32:10/08 Emlyn Hall

Cllrs Hazel Evans & Cefin Evans had been to see Mr Richard Morton and he agreed a public meeting should be held before he leaves the area. The Hall at present covers costs and continues to be let out as a Dance Studio.

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Ref 35:10/08 & 62 02/10 River Walk

Planning permission granted but current round of funding application has failed. Next round March 2011. Suggested TC write to our AM to get support for the application.

(171)

Ref:42 02/09 Market Unit

Available Market Hall unit has now been rented out to 'Beautify Me' Official opening 18/9.

(172)

Ref: 48 04/09 Attic Theatre lease

Deferred

(173)

Ref:50 06/09 Mart Toilet Block

There was some discussion on recent press reports that CCC would be transferring responsibility for public toilets to local and community councils. Cllr Allan Davies noted that £500 would be allocated at handover which was a totally unacceptable sum. AJ also noted that we were aware of toilet running costs from our own at the Cawdor Hall and we would not be able to afford to maintain the other block. MW suggested contacting Dai Lewis to see if they would take this on. It was also suggested that the toilet block could be included in possible negotiations with CCC about the public car park. The Clerk to followup

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Ref: 56 11/09 20 mph speed restriction request

Ongoing

(175)

Ref: 57 11/09 Clock

Deferred. Cllr Cefin Evans suggested that the handyman clean the clock and report to the new engineers

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Ref 58 11/09 Youth provision

Mr Matt Morden had been unable to attend the meeting and no update had been received. He hoped to attend the October meeting

Cllr MW reported that the youth café Raggamuffins was currently being maintained by a rota of volunteers following the departure of the owner to university. A small support group was currently investigating the possibility of turning the business from sole trader to a community interest company, which would enable it to apply for grant funding. Cllr AJ noted that the previous youth club management committee had constitution, bank accounts etc which might be useful, plus equipment still in store. He also noted that there was a unit free on the factory estate on Carmarthen Road, owned by CCC which might be a possible future base for county youth services

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Ref 59 11/09 Tidy Towns Project

Deferred

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Ref ?? Drains

Need for cleaning. Clerk to followup

(179)

Assets Management Workshop

HE & MW reported on the CCC Assets management workshop Llanllwni. There were no contentious areas of land in NCE. However it was noted that a corner of land from the playing fields had been acquired by CCC when the old people's residential home had been rebuilt. It was suggested that the deed of gift and plans be consulted and Clerk asked to followup.

5. Gohebiaeth
Correspondence

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A letter had been received Attic Theatre requesting use of the Chambers on 21st September for their Patrons Evening to which all were invited. This was agreed

The other Correspondence was noted.

6. Adroddiadau Pwyllgorau
Committee reports

(181)

Cllr AJ Hanes Emlyn AGM will be held 13th October Cawdor Hall 7.30pm

(182)

Cllr OL Chamber of Commerce meeting held 9/9 Good attendance and a desire to work with the Town Council on 'one voice issues' Victorian Night date not yet set.

7. Ceisiadau Cynllunio
Planning Applications

(183)

Pentre Castell

Hazel ??????

(184)

Cllr MW raised the question of TC responsibility in noting developments within the town conservation area. A plastic window had been placed in 1 Market Square as part of refurbishments. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the CCC Planning Dept to highlight this.

8. Materion Arianol
Financial Matters

(185)

9. Gweithiwr Gwaith Llaw
Handyman

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10. Adroddiadau Timau Cynllun
Project Team Reports

(187)

Cllr Allan Davies enquired about the gastle grounds grant and the possibility of needing a health & safety risk assessment on the new ornamental gate. There was some discussion about disclaimer notices. It was agreed to ask the Clerk to enquire about insurance policy cover for the grounds.

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Cllr MW reported that the Cawdor Hall Refurbishment Project had been accepted by the Heritage Lottery Fund onto Stage 2 of the process. The project officer Caroline Roberts had been informed by the panel that the application had been well put together with some interesting activities noted and it was considered that this would be a 'pivotal project' for NCE.

11. Unrhyw Faterion Eraill
Any Other Business

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A letter from Jill Sutton requesting that NCE become a Fair Trade town was discussed. It was agreed that it was a good idea, but that it should be forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce. The Mayor agreed that he would discuss the matter further with Ms Sutton.

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Cllr Allan Davies informed that Council that HUTS workshops would hold an open day on 17/9. He also requested a letter of support from the TC for their work, in order to assist their fundraising for new premises. The Clerk to write a letter of support.

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It was noted that the Cilwendeg rally would be held on 30th-31st October starting from Mart Car Park.

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It was noted that there were bad pavement potholes outside Te ar y Teifi tearooms. Clerk to contact CCC.

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It was noted that the slate benches at the end of Church Lane were now badly scratched and paint sprayed. Cllr AJ insisted that all this type of vandalism should be reported to the police

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Cllr Cefin Evans had contacted CCC to report that some windows on Cawdor Hall would be repaired and repainted.

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There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10:15pm

(156)

Date of the next meeting is Thursday 21st October 2010 at 7:30pm

The Council then went into Committee.

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Town Clerk

The Mayor reported that with regret the Town Clerk had resigned her position. She had indicated that she would stay until a replacement Clerk was found.

It was agreed that an advert be put in the Tivy-side, and noticeboards as soon as possible. The previous advert and job specifications were on file. Cllrs HE & MW would edit to include Cllr Cefin Evans details.

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CCTV

Cllr Alan Jones reported that he had received an estimate from Sgt Clarke for maintenance and repair of the CCTV system. He suggested that as with other contracts additional estimates be sought. Agreed.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 10.40pm