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Minutes of the meeting of Full Council held in the Main Dinefwr Debating Chamber, County Council Buildings, the Crescent, Llandeilo on Tuesday 17th February 2004 at 7.30 pm.

Present: *Councillors:* Cllr D. A. Jones (Mayor), Cllr S. Burge, Cllr K. Day, Cllr C. Jenkins, Cllr I. Gwyn, Cllr R. Bellamy (Deputy Mayor), Cllr D. Williams.

Other: C. Paterson (Town Clerk), R. Huw Griffiths (Technical Officer), County Councillor I. Jones.

6001: Apologies for Absence: Cllr C. Cooper, Sgt N. Jones (Police Sergeant).

6002: Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Full Council.

The Minutes of the meeting of Full Council held in the Main Dinefwr Debating Chamber, Council Buildings, The Crescent, Llandeilo on Tuesday 20 January 2004 at 7.00pm. are accepted as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr Burge seconded by Cllr Gwyn.

6003: Matters Arising:

5977: Cllr Gwyn questioned the amount of Footway lighting Charges.

Clerk to check and clarify this amount.

5977: The solicitor in charge of the purchase of the garden at The Crescent, is going to look into the history of right of access from the other two gardens. It was felt that this it is unlikely that there is a traditional right of way.

5949: The Mayor had held a meeting with Emyr John to finalise the Grant Application for the Railings at the Crescent. The job had been awarded to Tumble Forge and a request had been made for the job to be invoiced by 18th March 2004.

5952: It is with regret that the Council is informed of the resignation of Cllr Jenkins as the Chair of the Community Association. The Future of the Civic Hall is to be discussed at a Public meeting to be held Thursday 26th February

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2004 at 7.00pm at the Civic Hall. A further Extraordinary General Meeting will be held at the Shire Hall on Tuesday 2nd March 2004.

5977: The Heritage Audit:

Women from Capel Newydd would assist in the preparation of Tea and Coffee and the Town Council would pay a donation to the Chapel at the Mayor's discretion. There would be Lectures with Simultaneous Translation, and an Exhibition from the D. C. Harries Photograph Collection. The Council had been loaned some prints from the National Library and purchased some additional high quality photocopies and Cllr Day had had them mounted. At 12.30 Andrew Williams would officially launch the llandeilo.gov.uk website.

County Councillor I Jones informed the Council that the County Council Highways Office was to move in to the County Council Buildings, The Crescent, Llandeilo from the 1st March 2004. Elfryn Williams is to be the new Trunk Roads officer, in these offices.

6004: Minutes from the meeting of the Finance Committee. The following was omitted in error from the Minutes of the Finance Committee.

Changes to the signatories to the bank accounts are to be as follows:
Treasurer Account, replace R. Davies with C. Jenkins.
Mayors Account, replace G Vaughan Jones with R. Bellamy

Given the above amendment the Council accepts the minutes of the Finance Committee held at the Shire Hall, Llandeilo at 7.00pm on Wednesday 4th February 2004 as an accurate record of the meeting and accepts the recommendations therein. Proposed by Cllr Bellamy, seconded by Cllr Day.

6005: Matters Arising: 5990: The replacement window for the Shire Hall. The Technical Officer has quotations for the fitting of the prefabricated window.

Gareth Peters is to be given the job of fitting the replacement window in the Shire Hall. Cambria Archaeology to be informed well in advance and the fitting possibly to take place on a Saturday, for the least possible disruption to occur. Proposed by Cllr Jenkins and seconded by Cllr Day.

5992: As regards the blinds in the Portacabin. The Technical Officer had priced blinds in Focus (£20), LBS (£30) and B and Q. He had found 4 Blinds at half price for £9.30. These had been purchased and fitted.

R. H. Griffiths to be paid £65.64 for purchase, mileage and fitting of the blinds proposed by Cllr Jenkins seconded by Cllr Day.

6006: Minutes of the Planning and General Purposes Committee.

The minutes of the Planning and General Purposes Committee Meeting held at the Shire Hall, Llandeilo at 8.30pm. on Wednesday 4th February 2004 are accepted as a true record of the meeting and the Council accepts the recommendations therein. Proposed by Cllr Day and seconded by Cllr Burge.

6007: Matters Arising: The Clerk had spoken to the planning department and they were willing to accept the planning comments in the minute format on headed

notepaper. The meant that the Clerk needed prepare a single letter each month with all planning comments and objections.

County Councillor Jones said the Car Parking charges were now to come into effect, regardless of the fact that confusion existed still regarding the bays immediately behind Rhosmaen where the Street Market is currently held. The shopkeepers had an automatic right to park in this area, and C. C. C. officers had agreed to come and look at this problem.

The Council moved that as the introduction of Car Parking charges had been imposed on the Town against the will of the Council the issue be placed as a formal Agenda item for next months meeting of Full Council.

6008: The Town Statue: The Mayor had been in conversation with Robert Ap Steffan regarding the development of a Town Statue. Mr Ap Steffan had many ideas and was keen to address the Council at a Meeting of Full Council.

The Council agreed to invite Mr Robert Ap Steffan to address a meeting of Full Council. Following this the Council would set up a steering group to develop this idea.

6009: Planning Application E/05883: This planning application is referred to Full Council by the Planning and General Purposes Committee.

The Planning Committee has no objections to the proposed development under this planning application no: E/05883. However, this planning application is the next phase of a much larger development. At this point the Council would like to raise two issues as regards the whole development: Firstly the lack of provision of some kind of Play Area for the children who will live on this development. Secondly the lack of any pedestrian access from the development into town. The 'Walk' doesn't have pavement the length of it and thus someone walking from the development into town would have to walk on the road, a main route into Town with considerable Traffic.

6010: One Voice Wales. This is the new organisation for Town and Community Councils in Wales. They have requested an inaugural payment for the first year's membership.

Clerk to distribute information about the organisation and membership of One Voice Wales to be placed as an agenda item for the meeting of Full Council in March.

6011: Strimming and the use of weed killer on Ysgubor Abad. The Clerk had been visited by Dan Morris who expressed concerns over the use of weed killer to clear Ysgubor Abad.

Clerk to arrange a site meeting between the Technical Officer and Mr Morris to walk the footpath and look into the problem.

6012: The Mayor's report.

21 st January 04	Open Evening of the Heritage Audit
27 th January 04	Visit to the National Library to sort out exhibit of D. C. Harries Photographs.
27 th January 04	Community Association Meeting – business plan for the Civic Hall. Need of a small body of people to run the Civic Hall.
28 th January 04	Meeting Emyr John –Grants officer – Crescent Railings
5 th February 04	Meeting Emyr John finalised grant application.
9 th February 04	Meeting Regarding St Teilo Gospels.
13 th February 04	R. Bellamy, A Williams publicity for the Website launch
17 th February 04	Meeting G. Hughes regarding Heritage Audit Open Day.

The Mayor has also gone through the Clerk's time sheets and recommends that the Clerks hours are kept at thirteen per week.

Clerk's hours to remain at 13hours per week. Proposed by Cllr Bellamy, seconded by Cllr I. Gwyn.

6013: New Streets and developments. County Councillor I Jones had raised the issue of the naming of Streets, Houses, new developments etc. He had been told that the County Council had developed a policy wherein on smaller developments, up to 5/6 houses, within the UDP and provided it doesn't open to further developments, the naming of Streets and Houses is left to the Developer. Only on larger development will the naming of streets and houses be referred to the Council.

The Mayor recommended that as a Council we challenge this. Letter to Mark James querying the Council's right to be consulted in all naming of houses, and streets within the town.

6014: Correspondence.

Bills to be paid:

National Library of Wales - £45.41 Prints of Photographs for Exhibition.

J.W. Thomas and Son -£25.00 for printing 500 bilingual leaflets regarding the Heritage Audit Open Day.

Propose these bills are paid, Cllr Bellamy, seconded By Cllr Day.

The Warner and James Foundation- Member to attend the meeting – Cllr S. Burge.

The Mayor would like to sign the Declaration on a Nuclear Weapon Free World. Move he do so from Cllr Bellamy, seconded by Cllr Williams.

Film Screening of footage from the National Archives of Wales to take place at Cross Hands Cinema on 25th February 2004.

The current system of dealing with correspondence is proving unsatisfactory.

The Mayor recommends that the Council give each Councillor a copy of the Porta Cabin Key, and the mail be left out so that Councillors can go through the mail prior to each meeting.

The Technical Officer to obtain copies of the keys and claim the cost.

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Cllr Gwyn recommended that the issue of the election of the Mayor elect be an agenda item for the next meeting of Full Council.

The letter regarding the issue of Light Pollution, as a consideration of the Planning Process to be referred to the Planning Committee.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.

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