

St Clears Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of St Clears Town Council held in Meeting Room 1, the Gate, St Clears, on Tuesday 5th July 2016 at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors LL ap T Davies (Chair), CM Davies, Dr WEVJ Davies, RG Edwards, KA Major, I McEwan, JSV Rees and PJ Rogers

53. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor DR Phillips and PM Hughes

54. Personal Matters

The Chair informed Council that Councillor Irfon Price had resigned from his position on Council. Council expressed their disappointment at the news and moved that the Clerk should write to thank him for his contribution during his time on Council.

55. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

56. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 21st June 2016.

Councillor RG Edwards proposed that the minutes were correct and was seconded by Councillor JSV Rees. **RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on 21st June 2016 be signed as a true record.**

57. Matters Arising

No matters arising.

58. To consider planning applications as notified by Carmarthenshire County Council.

No planning applications for consideration.

59. To receive an update regarding the inspections of the Skateboard & Play Areas.

The Clerk presented the June reports to Council noting that two low risk issues had been identified in the play park at the Welfare Field. Council asked the Clerk to request that the work identified be carried out in order to ensure the equipment was in good repair.

The issue of dogs being exercised in the skate park and fouling in that area was also discussed and the need for a sign was considered. **RESOLVED that a sign requesting that no dogs are exercised in the area be erected.**

60. To consider the provision of signs for Peillac Way.

The provision and positioning of directional and place name signs for Peillac Way was discussed and options considered. **RESOLVED that the Clerk make the arrangements with the planning department at the County Council and proceed with the signs where possible.**

61. To discuss the Christmas lights for 2016.

The quote was considered and extra lighting discussed. The Clerk agreed to make enquiries with the company. Council expressed their thanks to Councillor PJ Rogers for his work to arrange the Christmas lights.

62. To discuss the future of the market stalls and trailer.

A discussion was held about the recent valuation of the Town Council trailer. **RESOLVED that Council retain the trailer for sale or part exchange at a later date.**

63. To consider the Best Garden Competition 2016.

RESOLVED that the Best Garden Competition 2016 be advertised immediately with the closing date of 22nd July.

64. To seek approval for reparative work to the Mayor's chain of office.

The Chair outlined the work required to replace the velvet on the Mayor's chain and the cost quoted for repair. **RESOLVED that the work to maintain the chain of office should go ahead.**

65. Correspondence

(i) Tom Brown. Footpath at rear of the car park, St Clears. The Clerk read Mr Brown's letter to Council. **RESOLVED that the matter be discussed at the Council meeting on 19th July.**

(ii) Mathew Howells – various matters. Council agreed to consider Mr Howell's concern about the footpath from the car park to the underpass at the A40 along with Mr Brown's letter in the next meeting of Council. The Clerk agreed to contact Mr Howells regarding the dog fouling and overgrown riverbank at Peillac Way. It was also agreed that the Clerk should contact the county regarding water safety in the area.

(iii) E-mail from the Clerk. The Clerk drew attention to an e-mail from herself regarding a training course. **RESOLVED that the Clerk undertake the ILCA course.**

(iv) E-mail from maintenance contractor. **RESOLVED that the work to reposition the heritage panel on Peillac Way, due to the erosion of the riverbank go ahead.**

(v) St Clears & District Community Association. Thank you to Council for Community Events Chest donation and for underwriting the event up to a further £250.

66. Any Other Business

Councillor RG Edwards reported that the Carnival had been held in Bancyfelin and a good day was had and the event had been well attended.

Councillor JSV Rees reminded Council that the St Clears branch of the Royal British Legion would be travelling to Mametz Wood on Friday. Councillor Rees asked to Council's permission to represent them in her capacity as Deputy Mayor and lay a wreath on behalf of Council and the people of St Clears. Council expressed their support and thanks to Councillor Rees.

Councillor PJ Rogers raised the matter of a gate which was down at Riverside Terrace in St Clears and a car that was parked where the gate once stood. A discussion was held about a path in the area and the right of way status of this path. The Clerk agreed to contact the County to clarify the matter.

Councillor PJ Rogers drew Council's attention to a Charity Cycle Ride which from Scotland to St Clears in order to raise money for a local boy to travel to America for life saving treatment.

Meeting terminated at 20.18