

CAERNARFON ROYAL TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 6 MAY 2014

Present

His Worship the Mayor – Councillor W R Owen

Councillors

W T Owen, I C Thomas, H Edwards, H W Roberts, A W Bohana, A Kirk, M Thomas
G Thomas, A Hopcyn, E Lovgreen, E Hughes, T Thomas, K Williams, B Owen,
C Williams

1. Apologies

Cllr W L Davies

2. Mayor's Announcements

30.4.2014	Meeting International Rotarians and taking them to the Castle
2.5.2014	Caernarfon Castle with a Choir from France
2.5.2014	Installation of Mayor in Denbigh
3.5.2014	Celebrating 100 birthday of Francis Samuel Snell at the Seiont Mill Café

Noted that the Deputy Mayor Cllr Will Lloyd Davies currently unwell in hospital and to send a card on behalf of the Council

3. Declaration of Personal Interest

C Williams – Item 14 Letter of thanks from CAB

I C Thomas – Licensing and minutes of Finance meeting items 1 and 2

E Lovgreen – Minutes of Finance meeting Twinning application

W T Owen – Planning and Licensing

A W Bohana – item 11 Orchid Fashions

4. Urgent Items (Chairman/Clerk). For information or for action by the Clerk. Resolutions are not permissible

None

5. Minutes

To confirm the following minutes:-

- i. Council 22 April 2014 – the correctness of the minutes were questioned but were found to be correct
- ii. Staff and Finance Panel 30 April 2014
An explanation was given that the committee had looked in great detail at the Job description and Person spec. Noted that the job had been advertised at the Job centre and local papers. A shortlist will be created on May 27th and interviews to be held 2nd June
- iii. Staff and Finance Panel 6 May 2014 a discussion was held on the following

A verbal report was given on the following

Financial Applications

- i) North Wales Agricultural Society
- ii) Cyffro Car Rally
- iii) Midsummer Festival
- iv) Swimming Club
- v) RWF Museum
- vi) Caernarfon and Landerne Twinning
- vii) NSPCC (*copy of their charter on table*)

Resolved by committee

- i) £600 (ICT and WRO were out for this item) and TT arrived during it)
- ii) £250 (ICT out for this item)
- iii) £1000 (WTO arrived during this item)
- iv) £200
- v) £500 to pay for one day re enactment with recognition on the day, and also extend an invite to a representative to attend the 100 years committee meetings
- vi) £650 on condition that this is only application this year
- vii) £100 (KW arrived during this item)

Brunswick Quote

Clerk explained that she had received a quote from Brunswick , but still no contact from new owner of old courts, and concerned re grant applications . Asked whether the Council wished to continue trying to get contact with owner re Boar War plaque or proceed with grant for railings only

Resolved

To continue to try and contact owner but if no definite answer received re plaque by end of July to proceed with grant application for railings only

Notice of Motion from Council Meeting Re: Harry Thomas

Motion was withdrawn but with request for the topic of Freemans to be on a future Agenda of staff and finance meeting

Honorary Recorder

Due to the fact that Judge Merfyn Hughes has now retired

Resolved

That the Council cannot proceed with this matter until we know who is appointed as Judge in Caernarfon Court

Resolved by Council

- i) To accept as a true record
- ii) To accept as a true record (as permission to act was granted)
- iii) Accept as a true record and adopt the recommendations

6. Planning Applications

To approve planning and licensing applications

Planning

1. C14/0320/14/LL *Agree*

Erection of bin store and felling of tree

Chapel Street, Caernarfon

Licensing

1. Licensing Act 2003/ *AGREE*
For a Variation of
Premises Licence

The Promenade Area adjacent to the front of The Anglesey Arms & Slipway, quay and boat

7. Accounts

To approve the bills, donations and wages for payment

Resolved

Accept and pay

8. Bank Reconciliation

Resolved

Accept for information only

9. Mayoralty

Clerk read out a letter from Cllr W L Davies who is currently in Glangwili Hospital and will be moving to Treforys Hospital soon for an operation on the heart. Due to this he felt that he could no longer full fill the role of Mayor for the forthcoming year
A lengthy discussion was held, and explanation given that historically in these circumstances the current Mayor has been asked to continue. It was questioned why the Deputy Mayor elect didn't become Mayor but an explanation was given that until the AGM they aren't Deputy Mayor so not relevant

Resolved

To elect Cllr W R Owen as Mayor elect for the year to come (2014-2015)but as there are potential financial obligations to this to hold an emergency meeting of the Finance panel on Tuesday 13th at 6pm (with permission to act on the Mayors allowance for this forthcoming year)

Cllr H Edwards and Cllr W T Owen left at 6.55

10.Audit

- i) Audit form and accounts
- ii) Institute account
- iii) Letters from internal auditor

Resolved

- i) Accept and thank the clerk for her hard work once again
- ii) Accept for information as trustees
- iii) Accept and proceed with the recommendation to get an up to date valuation for the building

11. Notice of Motion from Cllr. A. Hopcyn

Re: Orchard clothing

Resolved

As the matter hasn't changed in over a year, write to Chief Executive of Gwynedd Council to try and resolve the situation and ask him to get the relevant officers to come and discuss with the Council

12. Minutes of working party

Re: Park

Question was raised re powers

Resolved

Delay until meeting in June ,and in the meantime Clerk to note the relevant Powers and ask Gwynedd Council for a report on the expenditure in the park during past 12 months

13. QBR baton relay May 29th

Clerk reported that the main event of the day ends in the area of Victoria Dock between 6.30-7.30 and that a ticket for prime location is available to Councillors and that the Mayor will be inviting you to a small private reception in Galeri at 8pm

Resolved

To accept for information only

14. Letters of thanks

- i) CAB
- ii) National Eisteddfod
- iii) Urdd

Resolved

To accept for information only

15. Gwynedd Council

Reply Re: 2014 Gwynedd Local Bus Survey

Resolved

Grateful for the explanation

16. Questions

None

Meeting finished at 7.15

Signed Dated

