

# **CAERNARFON ROYAL TOWN COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 7 JANUARY 2014**

### **Present**

His worship the Mayor - Cllr W R Owen

### **Councillors**

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

### **1. Apologies**

Cllr H Edwards and Cllr E Hughes

### **2. Mayor's Announcements**

Christmas switch on Castle square then back to the Institute – presentations and carol singing

Age Concern Christmas fair

Karate club Caernarfon

### **Visited following homes**

Plas Maesincla

Canolfan Ddydd Maesincla

Willow Hall

Gwynfa

Marbryn

Ysbyty Eryri

Frondeg

Ysgol Pendalar

Continued ..

Cartref Bontnewydd (Caernarfon)

Cinio Staff

### **3. Declaration of Personal Interest**

E Lovgreen – Twinning

A Hopcyn – Website

W T Owen – Planning

I C Thomas – Planning item 1

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

Corrected two errors in agenda and additional planning item Pitian Patian

### **5. Minutes**

To confirm the following minutes:-

i. Council 3 December 2013

#### **Resolved**

Accept as a true record

### **6. Planning Applications (Appendix A/1, A/2)**

To approve planning applications

#### **Resolved**

#### ***Permission to act :***

1. C13/1179/14/LL

Change of use of vacant

Office into residential dwelling

**Agree**

Bodwrdda, St. David's Road, Caernarfon

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In the meeting

1. C13/1236/14/CA **Agree**

Part demolition of some of the buildings in order to safeguard them for the future re-development of the site

**Safle'r Ynys/Island Site, Cei Llechi/  
Slate Quay, Caernarfon**

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2. C13/0570/14/LL **Agree**

Retention of restaurant in the basement and bed and breakfast service within the rest of the building

**12 Church Street, Caernarfon**

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3. C13/1293/14/LL **Agree**

Change of use of part of shop into tea room and create an internal toilet

**Gray Thomas Gift Shop, 9 – 11 Castle  
Ditch Caernarfon**

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4. C13/1041/14/LL **Agree**

Raise canopy 1.2m higher than the existing canopy

**Caer Service Station, Lon Parc, Caernarfon**

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5. C13/1267/14/LL **Agree**

New extension at the rear

**24 Llys Gwyn, Caernarfon**

**Urgent item**

*Rhif/Number    Manylion/Particulars    Cytuno/Agree    Anghytuno/Disagree*

C13/1266/14/LL

**Agree**

Change of use of  
vacant children's nursery into a  
residential unit

Llain Deg, (Pitian Patian Bach)  
Lon Ddewi Caernarfon

**7. Accounts**

To approve the bills, donations and wages for payment

**Resolved**

Accept and pay

**8. Bank Reconciliation**

**Resolved**

Accept for information only

**9. North Wales Police**

Knife amnesty

**Resolved**

Clerk to enquire why they weren't collecting in Caernarfon

**10. Letters of Thanks**

- i) North Wales Deaf Association
- ii) Plas Maesincla
- iii) Caernarfon & Gwyrfaai Literary Society

**Resolved**

Accept for information only

**11. E-mails from Alun Ffred Jones AM office**

- i) Re: By-pass
- ii) Re: Coastal Communities Land

**Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **12. E-mail from Gisda**

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **13. Notice of Motion from Cllr. Ann Hopcyn**

### **Re: Food Festival in Caernarfon**

It was noted that a similar project had been attempted in the past, and therefore just to hold initial discussions at this moment in time to ensure we don't raise expectations, clerk also mentioned that Galeri hold a smaller scale event and need to add a representative to the list

### **Resolved**

To support the idea and hold initial discussions which also involve a representative from Galeri

## **14. Notice of Motion from Cllr. Ann Hopcyn**

### **Re: Furniture in Chambers**

Councillor W T Owen has offered to repair as he has the expertise, and the Mayor willing to help

### **Resolved**

To accept their offer and thank them

## **15. One Voice Wales**

- i) New standing orders
- ii) War Memorials
- iii) Ballot papers
- iv) Arfon meeting

### **Resolved**

- i) Move to sub committee
- ii) Move to next entertainment meeting
- iii) Vote for Mike Harriman
- iv) Accept for information only

## **16. Letter from Gwynedd Council**

### **Re: Business Improvement District**

### **Resolved**

Support in principle

## **17. North Wales Police**

Closing date 10 January

### **Resolved**

Contact to note that the timescale is totally unfair for Councils as many are shut over that period, and that we are disappointed that an establishment of their status has decided to hold a consultation over the festive period

## **18. Update grant re: website**

Clerk explained reasons why we could no longer pursue the grant

### **Resolved**

To go out to tender for a new website

G Thomas, H W Roberts, T Thomas to help the clerk create a tender document and send it out to the press, in order for the Council to debate a successful candidate

(Cllr A Hocpyn was elected to help but has to declare an interest so this is not possible )

## **19. PEG**

175 Strategic meeting

176 Creative network

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **20. E-mail Alun Wyn Jones**

Re: Castle Hill toilets

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only and thank him for his work and for the update

## **21. Update from Joint Local Development Plan meeting**

### **Verbal report**

*(colour map in envelope)*

Cllr T Thomas and Cllr H W Roberts gave a report from the meeting explaining the contents of the map. Cllr I C Thomas noted that he had a further electronic information

### **Resolved**

To move to next meeting, and in the meantime Councillors to prepare any question they have to the clerk by midday Tuesday, and for the clerk to enquire from Gwynedd Council regarding – is the consideration to affordable housing, bungalows, what level of demand is there in Caernarfon. Clerk to distribute Cllr I C Thomas's document

## **22. Twinning**

### **Resolved**

Accept the invitation for the Mayor to be President of the Twinning

## **23. Gwynedd Council**

Public consultation Onshore Wind Energy

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **24. One Voice Wales**

- i) New Training Programme
- ii) Council tax reduction scheme
- iii) One Voice Wales + WLGA – Memorandum of Understanding
- iv) National Resources Bulletin

### **Resolved**

- i) Names to clerk
- ii) Accept for information only
- iii) Accept for information only
- iv) Accept for information only

## **25. Planning Aid Wales**

Newsletter – *copy on the table*

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **26. Gwynedd Council**

Useful forms re: Standards and Standards Committee annual report

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **27. Bulletins PEG + Digital Gwynedd + Europe**

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **28. E-mail Iwan Edgar**

### **Resolved**

Write to Gwynedd Council asking if they intend considering the census results

## **29. Notice of Motion Cllr. Karen Williams**

Re: Square

### **Resolved**

Support and send a copy to Gwyn Morris Jones

## **30. Welsh Government**

Words in Action

### **Resolved**

Accept for information only

## **31. Exempt item**

Tenders internal porch

### **Resolved**

Remove the press and public  
Then support Tender 1

Invite Press and public back in



### **32. Questions**

When is the election?

Cut off 17<sup>th</sup> January voting on 13<sup>th</sup> February

Who is responsible for the wall damaged in the storm on St Helen's Rd?

The private owner

Meeting ended at 7.30

Signed ..... Dated .....