

# **CAERNARFON ROYAL TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 22 APRIL 2014

## Present

His Worship the Mayor – Cllr W R Owen

## Councillors

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

### **1. Apologies**

Cllr G Thomas, Cllr E Hughes, Cllr H Edwards

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

Sbarc show – Judas – great evening

And grateful to the Deputy Mayor for attending the Ladies Darts presentations which were the same night

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

W T Owen – planning and Licensing

I C Thomas – Licensing

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

Further information for item 16

### **5. Minutes**

To confirm the following minutes:-

Council 8 April 2014

**Resolved**

Accept as a true record

## 6. Planning Applications

To approve planning and licensing applications

### **Resolved**

### **Planning**

1. C14/0209/14/LL **Agree**  
Create a balcony  
on an existing flat roof at the rear

#### **1 Heol Elinor/Eleanor Street, Caernarfon**

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2. C14/0283/14/LL **Agree**  
.Extensions  
and erection of shed in the garden

#### **Eridon, Bethel Road, Caernarfon**

### **Licensing**

1. **Agree**  
  
Application for a licence to provide pavement  
Café facilities on the Highway

*Gray Thomas*  
*9 – 11 Pen Deitsh*  
*Caernarfon*

2. Licensing Act 2003/ **Agree**  
For a Variation of  
Premises Licence

#### **Cofi Roc, 25-28 Y Maes, Caernarfon**

## 7. Accounts

To approve the bills for payment

### **Resolved**

Accept and pay

## **8. Council's Working Document**

Questions asked re

- Youth advisers- new guidelines are an item on agenda tonight – clerk to issue a copy to all councillors of relevant section in order to proceed
- Commonwealth games Baton visit – will Councillors be part of the event – clerk explained that details would be given at next meeting
- DBS – clerk explained having trouble finding a company willing to do at present as we do not have the youth advisers in place, and that events on their own is not a sufficient reason – clerk to continue to search for a company willing to proceed

### **Resolved**

Accept the document and clerk to enquire with Gisda if we can work with them to use their new premises to house the electronic signs

## **9. Gwynedd Council**

Proposed speed restriction

### **Resolved**

Send a letter confirming that we welcome the Caernarfon elements

## **10. Letter from Geraint Williams**

Re: Plaque to recognise achievement of 3 from Caernarfon

### **Resolved**

As it is the Civic Society that normally undertake this type of activity it was resolved to forward the letter onto them for consideration

## **11. Gwynedd Council**

Reply re: traffic matters

A further lengthy discussion was had on the topic, and in order to try and move forward rather than correspondence back and forth

### **Resolved**

To invite Cllr Gareth Roberts ( along with relevant officers) as guest speakers in order for them to hear the feelings on the matter

## **12. Gwynedd Council**

Bus survey

A discussion was had on the lack of time. Email was sent 4<sup>th</sup> April (which was a Friday) noting that information was being collected from 1<sup>st</sup> April ,and also that the date for Caernarfon was 9<sup>th</sup> April ( which realistically only gave 3 days to raise awareness)

### **Resolved**

To send a letter to Gwynedd Council noting that the timescales were disappointing and made it very hard for people to reply

## **13. Letter of thanks from Ysbyty Gwynedd**

### **Resolved**

Accept for information

## **14. Verbal report from Cllr W. T. Owen**

Re: 100 Years World War conference

Cllr W T Owen said that it was a very successful conference

Mair Stevens welcomed everyone

Then presentation from John Griffiths Minister for Sport and culture. The scheme was launched by the Welsh Prime minister back in 2013 under the heading “ Wales Remembers”. Over 35,000 Welsh lives were lost Frances Moreton and Andrea Levin from the War Memorials trust gave a presentation

- Noted only have a small staffing structure of 7 but hope to employ 4 more
- First memorial registered in 7th Century Battle of Dunnichen
- Need to ensure all cenotaphs registered
- They can offer free advice
- Grants are available (and from CADW) – 19 in Wales worth £31,112 with average payout £1637
- Examples were given of works including Criccieth and Bangor
- In memorial 2014 scheme offers free smartwater to protect war memorials
- Owners of cenotaphs can include names from any war whereby the individual or their family are from the town
- Adam Hitchings from the heritage lottery funds also gave a presentation

### **Resolved**

To accept the report and thankful for its contents

## **15. Joint conference**

Open to councillors and clerks 15th May

### **Resolved**

Cllr H W Roberts and Cllr A Bohana to attend , any other names to clerk

## **16.Gwynedd Council**

Letter from Cllr John Wyn Williams

Re: Joint local development plan

A lengthy discussion was held

### **Resolved**

To invite Nia Haf Davies to update the Council before considering undertaking research

## **17. Notice of Motion Cllr. W. R. Owen**

Re: Stewarding

### **Resolved**

To support the motion and clerk to book course

## **18. One Voice Wales**

Report on Betsi Cadwaladr from OVW representative

### **Resolved**

Accept the report but ask via Eluned local representative to seek the reports in the old format and also invite Jack Abbott as a guest speaker

## **19. Notice of Motion Cllr. W. R. Owen**

Re: Freeman for Harry Thomas, Chief Executive Gwynedd Council

### **Resolved**

Move to finance panel and clerk to investigate process

**20. Letter of retirement (from year end)**

From His Honour Judge Dafydd Hughes

**Resolved**

To accept the letter with sadness, send a letter of thanks and move the item to next staff and finance meeting to discuss replacement. Also inform Lord Chief Justice of our intentions

**21. Digital Gwynedd**

Super Broadband

**Resolved**

Accept for information only

**22. Notice of Motion Cllr. H.W. Roberts**

Re: S4C

**Resolved**

Support the motion and send the letter

**23. Guidance re: Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011**

**Resolved**

Copy of relevant section on youth advisors to each councillor

**24. Notice of Motion Cllr. H. W. Roberts**

Re: Plaque Engedi

**Resolved**

That this had already been covered in the last meeting and for the clerk to continue to try and speak to the owner

**25. One Voice Wales**

Consultation Document from Welsh Government on The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 (Amended) Order 2014

**Resolved**

To agree with the contents

**26. Food Festival**

Report from Cllr Ann Hopcyn

A comprehensive report with full explanation was given by Cllr Ann Hopcyn

**Resolved**

To extend an invitation to Chris Jones to discuss in a public meeting where we can invite members of chamber of trade etc and that we pay his costs, as it was felt that everyone should hear it from him

**27. E-mail from Dilwyn Lloyd**

Re: Macebearer

**Resolved**

Ask Mr Laurence Jones to carry out the duties for this year

**28. Open Doors**

Dates: 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> (one room not available), 26<sup>th</sup> September

**Resolved**

Accept for information – need volunteers

**29. Information Bulletin - Spring 2014 Newsletter**

**Resolved**

Accept for information

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**30. Confidential Item**

Press and Public were removed for this item

Caretaker post

Consideration to a 12 month post as a number of contracts are due to finish in 12 months time and it would be possible to enhance the role to make it more appealing at that point

**Resolved**

Move to staff and finance panel with the powers to act on this matter in order to appoint as soon as possible. Clerk to enquire re legality of 12 months and best way to deal with it

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**31. Questions** .

None

Meeting ended at 8.05

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