



Fishguard & Goodwick Town Council Cyngor Tref Abergwaun ac Wdig

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The **MINUTES** of the full Town Council Meeting
held in the Town Hall, Fishguard on
Tuesday **2nd April 2019** at 7pm

Cllr. Jordan Ryan was in the Chair.

Cllr. Jordan Ryan – *J. Ryan*

Cath Bannister, Town Clerk – *C. Bannister*

The Pembrokeshire County Council will be abbreviated and referred to as PCC within these minutes.

The Fishguard and Goodwick Town Council will be abbreviated and referred to as FGTC within these minutes

MINUTES

PUBLIC SESSION: CLLR. RYAN

The public session offers members of the public, the opportunity to comment on items on this agenda or those previously requested and agreed.

The public will be limited to two minutes per comment or question.

The Mayor will update with regards to previous actions and ideas proposed by the public during this session.

This session will also allow County Councillors to update the Town Council and those members of the public present, on matters of interest and for the Pembrokeshire County Council Liaison Officer to update the Town Council.

PUBLIC PRESENT:

There were no comments from the members of the public who were present.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Cllr. Pat Davies updated the Town Council with regards to the following matters:

The new road contractors have been engaged and will start work within the month. The new road could be ready by June 2019.

There is a delay with regards to the pavement widening scheme. This was a Welsh Govt. caused delay and we will be updated as and when progress is to be made.

The defibrillator that has been donated to the community by JCP Solicitors, will be sited on the Town Hall front, later this week

PCC LIAISON OFFICERS PRESENT:

There was no liaison officer present at the meeting.

STANDING ORDERS ADOPTED

43/19 APOLOGIES: CLLR. RYAN

To formally record apologies for absence and to record the attendance of those Town Councillors present:

Apologies were received from:

Cllr. Thickitt – work commitments, Cllr. Pepper – work commitments and Cllr. McCarney – illness.

Those Cllrs. present were:

Cllrs. Ryan, Shaw, Price, Malone Hallet, Stokes, Evans, Perkins and Murphy

44/19 MEMBER INTERESTS: CLLR. RYAN

To formally record any personal or pecuniary interests, that a Town Councillor may have in any of the agenda items listed:

No interests were declared.

45/19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: CLLR. RYAN

To record the previous meeting minutes, held on 5.3.19, as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting held on 5.3.19

46/19 CLERKS REPORT:

Follow up actions taken by the Clerk from the last meeting.
On the evening.

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| Outcomes from the last Town Council meeting: | PCC Draft Street Trading Policy Questions asked and response received. Is on tonight's agenda Proposed changes to waiting restrictions in the County. Further information received and is on the Agenda this evening. |
| Claiming Back Remuneration: | All claims submitted and I am now waiting on an amount. This amount will be issued by the Clerk, via a BACS transfer to those that claimed, along with a payslip |
| Town Councillor Vacancy: | F/G NE Close2 midday 27.3.19 and has been advertised again with a closing date of 16.4.19 |
| Flags and Bunting: | Can you confirm the flags to be flown so the Clerk can place an order? |
| Understanding the Law training | Wednesday 17 th April at 6:30pm at Fishguard. There are places available. |
| Cost of the Library opening for 2018/19 (for information only) | £7,444.33 for the period 2018/19. |

The flags were discussed and a list was given to the Clerk so an order could be placed. The cost had already been approved, as at minute reference 33/19 of the Finance Committee Minutes, dated 25.3.19

47/19 REPORTS: CLLR. RYAN

To be circulated separately by email.

The minutes are for information and comments in order for them to be referred back to the relevant committees for approval:

A short verbal update will be made by the Chair/Vice Chair, of each committee.

Planning – Cllr. Perkins

Finance – Cllr. Ryan

Events – Cllr. Stokes

Governance – Cllr. Ryan

Town Team – Cllr. Ryan

The above updates were read out by the respective Town Councillors recorded above.

48/19 TOWN COUNCILLOR UPDATE SESSION: ALL

An opportunity for Town Councillors to update the Town Council with regard to what has happened and what's occurring, in the community that they represent.

Cllr. Stokes

The new road name through Fishguard is to be called Ffordd yr Efail.

Cllr. Malone Hallet

the Musical Theatr group had been able to donate £1600 to Ysgol Bro Gwaun

In order to promote the work that she does with the musical theatre, Cllr. Malone Hallet

offered all Cllrs. complimentary tickets for the opening night of her next show on 17.4.19.

Please email her if you would like to take her up on her offer.

Cllr. Murphy

Had received complaints with regards to speeding in stop and call. Advice given to the complainant.

Cllr. Perkins

Can an update be given with regards to the traffic lights on the hill up to Stop and Call?

The Clerk will take this forwards.

49/19 THE MAYORS REVIEW OF HIS YEAR IN OFFICE: CLLR. RYAN

The Mayor updated the Town Council with regards to his year in office and highlight his more memorable moments.

The Mayor made mention of the following memorable events:

Meeting and greeting at 18 cruise ships and he thanked Cllrs. for standing in for him when he was unavailable.

The Carnival

The Soap Box Derby

The Raft Race

The music Festivals – Folk, Aberjazz and International music festival

RNLI Open night

The Welsh Cake Challenge

50/19 FORTHCOMING ELECTION OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR: TOWN CLERK

The Fishguard and Goodwick Town Council have no Deputy Mayor. This means that there is no direct take up of the office of Mayor.

The Clerk will be sending out nomination forms for those interested in either role, on 1.4.19.

How does the Town Council wish to elect their Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor, should there be more than one nomination for either/both posts?

Please discuss

It was resolved that should there be more than one nomination for each post, there will be a vote on the evening of the Annual meeting.

51/19 PCC DRAFT STREET TRADING POLICY: CLLR. RYAN

The Town Council has previously responded to PCC and raised questions with regards to this matter. The Town Council has been granted an extension until the 4th April to allow a response to be discussed and a resolution reached.
Please discuss

It was resolved to accept the draft and revised street trading policy – as updated by PCC

52/19 PROPOSED CHANGES TO WAITING RESTRICTIONS IN THE COUNTY: CLLR. RYAN

The affected area is on Clive Road, Fishguard where a no waiting at any time restriction is proposed.

The Town Council has previously responded to PCC with regards to this and has now, received further information. This was circulated by email to all Cllrs. on 13.3.19

The Town Council has been granted an extension until the 4th April to allow a response to be discussed and a resolution reached.

Please discuss

Standing orders were dropped at 7:45pm to allow Cllr. Davies (PCC) to advise the Town Councillors with regards to the issues the residents face.

Standing orders were adopted again at 7:53pm

It was resolved to accept the proposed waiting restrictions in the area

53/19 GOVERNING BODY OF YSGOL WDIG: CLLR RYAN

The Clerk circulated an email on 18.3.19 asking if any Cllr. was interested in the role of Additional Community Governor at Ysgol Wdig.

Cllr. McCarney has indicated her desire to take on this role.

Can the Town Council agree that Cllr. McCarney is put forward as the Additional Community Governor at Ysgol Wdig?

It was resolved to put Cllr. McCarney forward for the role of additional community governor at Ysgol Wdig.

54/19 TWIN TOWNS FREE WI-FI: CLLR RYAN

In 2015, the PCC paid for free public Wi-Fi for the bigger towns in Pembrokeshire. Fishguard and Goodwick has free public Wi-Fi in Fishguard, Goodwick and in Lower Town.

The agreement with PCC will develop further in June of 2019 in so much as the costs of this free service, will be transferred across to the Town Council.

The Finance Committee have been advised with regards to this and are awaiting costs to be forwarded to the Town Council.

Is free Wi-Fi something that the Town Council wishes to continue or does the Town Council terminate the service?

Please discuss.

It was resolved to support the adoption of the free public Wi-Fi costs, providing they are acceptable.

The costs will be taken back to the Town Council - when they are received, for approval.

55/19 ESSENTIAL REPAIRS TO LLANPIT COVE APPROACH: CLLR. PEPPER

The Town Council Cllr. Pepper will further update the Town Council with regards to any further progress in taking this matter forwards.

In the absence of Cllr. Pepper, a statement was read out by the Clerk with regards to progress made by Cllr. Pepper:

From last month's meeting it was brought up that perhaps we should arrange a date to go down on a site visit to Llanpit at low tide, I have pencilled in the date of Sunday the 28th April at 11am for a site visit by the town council. I have recently spoken with the County Echo and I am currently editing an article that refers to the history of the site and the future ambitions of the Town Council to re develop Llanpit back to ,
" Fishguard's favourite rendezvous " *County Echo 1912 article on Llanpit*

I have made contact with the Design Commission for Wales looking to see if they can help with the initial stages of gathering momentum for the development of Llanpit and waiting to hear back from them in regards to a future meeting.

I have also had informal conversation with a local artist to look into drawing some example sketches of what the space could be like if re developed in the future.

I would further like to say that I would like to state in the local press article that we invite the public to be involved in this and share their local knowledge about the site of Llanpit as I think this could be important in terms of accessing grants and funding which it will no doubt require to be a success.

56/19 KEEPING FISHGUARD AND GOODWICK TIDY UPDATE: CLLR. RYAN

Cllr. Ryan will outline progress made to date and advise Cllrs. regarding forthcoming projects. The newly formed group will have their first meeting in the Town Hall, followed by a clean-up on Saturday 27.4.19 at 10:30am

57/19 LIBRARY OPENING 5 YEAR CONTRACT: CLLR RYAN

The PCC have sent through the agreement for the five year agreement between us and them, in order to keep the library open.

Can the Town Council agree the notice so that the Clerk can sign the contract?

Please discuss

It was resolved to accept the contract with PCC and permission was given for the Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of the Town Council

58/19 CORRESPONDENCE: CLLR RYAN

1. Thank you letter from Dr. Julie Coggins for the grant allocated by the Town Council towards the Fishguard Invasion Anniversary event.
Noted
2. A request for funding has been received by the Young Farmers of Pembrokeshire. A grant application form has been forwarded to them.
Noted
3. Email received from Pembrokeshire Remakery requesting support in their bid to apply for wider funding.
Cllr's will contact the Clerk with their responses as it was a very long email

59/16 URGENT MATTERS: CLLR RYAN

Any matters that have come to the attention of the Town Council after the Agenda has been circulated, can be discussed here.

The Chair and the Town Clerk will need to be advised before the start of the meeting.

Please be aware that no resolution can be reached on non-agenda items, but, they can be discussed and deferred to the relevant committee for further discussion or taken to the next full town council meeting as an agenda item.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:12pm

After the meeting had closed, Cllr. Price requested a letter be sent by the Town Council, congratulating the Goodwick Brass Band on their recent successes. The Clerk will take this forwards but Cllr. Price will draft the main content.