KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

16th April 2024

At the Hybrid meeting of the ESTATES COMMITTEE held on Tuesday 16th April 2024 at 6.30pm

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| Present | Town Mayor | Carl Peters-Bond |
|  | Deputy Mayor | C.Morgan |
|  | Councillor | Chris Peters-Bond **(Chair)**, L.Jones, J.Gilasbey, G.Bras, , G Beer, J.Maclaughland, , H Griffiths, J Mayne, Liz Reeves-Davies |
|  | Town Clerk  Estates | Virginia O’Reilly  Mark Stephens |
|  | Town Secretary | J Bell |
| Apologies | Councillors | J Westlake, A Herbert, J Tarsnane |
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425 MEMBER’S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 426 PGC – H. Griffiths declared an interest (Dispensation to speak, unable to vote.)

**426 ESTATES OFFICER REPORT**

The estates officer had provided a written report which was considered. Items noted:-

1. **Princess Gwenllian Centre Lease** – meeting convened for 25th April 2024.
2. **Mynyddygarreg Mountain** – Half of GL24 has been lost to flooding and the tenant has asked how it can be alleviated. Proposal is to deepen a section of the stream along with creating a holding pond on a section of adjacent rough land. Costings need to be gathered. It was **RESOLVED**, in principal, to go ahead and get more detailed costs (a cap of £1,000 including VAT was .
3. **Picnic tables** – Bases are in, tables are to be installed in a few weeks. Issues with the benches when assembling.
4. **Clos yr Onnen** – Proposal for future maintenance by KTC. Issue will continue to be considered by residents. All risk, costs and management will need to be examined before any decisions are made regarding taking over the land.
5. **Treework at Meinciau Road - MynyddyGarreg** – Tree has now been cut down.

**Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 12th March 2024**

**427 CEMETERY**

There were no replies to the invitation to tender for the work at the cemetery. Mark to contact CCC to get a list of their contractors on their framework.

**428 QUAY AND CANAL**

Listed planning consent is not required for work on the quay wall. Quotes are being requested for the work.

**429 KIDWELLY TOWN SQUARE**

Work is progressing. Choice of paving is an issue with the CCC Heritage Officer who wants flagstones, but permeable paving was a prerequisite from planning. A site meeting with the planning officer, architect and heritage officer is to be convened as soon as possible.

Bus stop – currently unable to move the bus stop, because of the electric display. However, as part of the 10 Towns Initiative CCC may be able to fund a new bus shelter with a green roof and will arrange the installation of the new bus shelter. The amenity’s maintenance will become Kidwelly Town Council’s responsibility. It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with investigating this possibility.

##### 430 PEMBREY ROAD COMMERCIAL SITES

Out solicitor has instructed the surveyor to do schedule of dilapidation which has been done today (16/04/2024) and there is a lot of material on site - approx. 3,000 tons. There was a valuation of the site in 2022. A decision will need to be taken about re-letting the site.

**431 NEW STREET SITE**

CCC Pre-app received. Planning Consultant was engaged and his report is attached. This item will be put on hold due to budget constraints.

**432 ACTIVE TRAVEL ROUTE**

Funding from 10 Town Initiative. Second meeting held with the consultant; drawing up potential survey questions (one set of questions for residents, one set for tourists) – to be shared with councillors when they are ready to send out.

**433 BANNERS**

CCC lighting department haven’t responded to Mark’s messages regarding installation of the banners, therefore Natasha will follow this up.

**434 PLANNING**

None received.

**435 TENDERS**

GL4. We have received a request to purchase land in Mynyddygarreg. As it is KTC policy not to sell land, the estates manager has spoken to the current tenant with a view to surrendering this piece of land off the area of GL4. Permission has been granted, as the area of land in question is unused sloping woodland. The area amounts to 1.8 acres. The proposal is to rent of £135 pa (£75/acre), which will need to be debited from the current GL4 account. Mark to explore.

**436 MATTERS ARISING FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

There were none.

**437 CORRESPONDENCE**

I&G Ecology have been commissioned to produce an ecological management plan for the LNR at Glanyrafon, to inform on future maintenance and phased clearance of invasive plants. No costings yet for the report.