

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

6th JANUARY 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at Burns, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 6th January 2009 at 6.30 p.m.

Present:	Town Mayor	A.M.Coles
	Deputy Mayor	H.Gilasbey
	Councillor	J. Gilasbey (in chair)
	Councillors:	F. Burke-Lloyd, K.Davies, P.ap Ioan, T.M.Burns, T Finch, J. Lane, F.Stevens
	Town Clerk	M. MacDonald
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Translator	L. Kirkham-Jones
Apologies:	Councillors:	D.Jones, G.G.Jones, R.Davies

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 9th December 2008

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

478 HIGHWAYS LIGHTING

1. Heol Ray Gravell

It was **RESOLVED** to install a third light in the road at a cost of £1,300 + VAT. The County Council will be requested to carry out the work.

2. Lighting at Parc Pendre

Total cost of lighting the path would be £4,000 + VAT. Mr Francis, Lighting Officer, has indicated that the County Council would be prepared to fund 50% of this. It was **RESOLVED** to install this lighting.

3. Lighting in Parc Stephens

Cost of a light near the Youth Club would be £1,500 + VAT. The Rugby Club have requested that a light be installed near the tennis court. The County Council has indicated that it would be prepared to fund 50% of the installation costs if the Town Council would add running costs to its footway lighting schedule. It was **RESOLVED** to defer this matter until the next financial year.

479 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

Mr McEvoy supplied location maps for the signs for the Community Halls which were circulated to members. The locations were approved. Cost of the signs is awaited.

2. Twinning Signs

Mr McEvoy has provided the name of the company that supplied the signs at Newcastle Emlyn. "Image Display" have indicated that costs would be approximately £750+VAT per sign, depending on the design features required. Simple signs to be attached to the existing gateway signs will be considered.

4. Castle Street

Residents have complained that there is inadequate signage for Castle Street. Consequently, mail and deliveries are misdirected to Castle Road. Mr McEvoy agreed that the sign was sited at the wrong end of the one way system. He will investigate the matter.

5. Lady Street

Signage to prevent traffic entering the one way street from the wrong direction was reported as compliant. The Traffic Management Engineer does not recommend changing the existing signs. White lines across the entrance to the bowls club – the Bowls Club has applied for white access protection markings across their entrance. County Councillor K.Davies will request the County Council to repaint the road markings in the area.

6. Horeb Road

Priority signs. The Accident research & Prevention Engineer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. This may be dependent on planning permission being granted for a housing development in the vicinity. A residents meeting has been arranged to consider this matter.

480 SPEED LIMIT – CARMARTHEN ROAD

The Town Clerk reported that the letter from the County Council showed Carmarthen Road as a continuation of Water Street to the roundabout at Parc y Bocs. The County proposed to extend the 30MPH to approximately half way along Carmarthen Road. The Town Council proposed a 30MPH limit all the way to the roundabout. Confirmation of the County Council's decision is awaited.

481 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

Assessment criteria for the installation of pedestrian crossing facilities have been received from the County Council and circulated to Town Council members for consideration.

482 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

The Asset Management Strategy is currently considering the future of County garages. The recommendation is to remove all garages and use the land afterwards. The County Council has been informed that the Town Council would like the land to be used for car parking as this would ease the traffic congestion on this road. They have indicated that this would be an appropriate use of the land and are considering this option.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

483 DOG FOULING

Mr Mike Roberts, Environment Officer of the County Council, attended the meeting on 11th November 2008 and gave an informative presentation on current and proposed enforcement issues relating to dog fouling. Dog Control Orders will be brought into effect from April 2009. To negate the need for the Town Council to be involved in charging mechanisms, the County Council will enforce the orders. The Town Council will be responsible for erecting signage. The police will be closely involved in the enforcement activities.

484 RECYCLING

After open surgery sessions organised by the County Council, a main concern reported was the non collection of glass. Glass cannot be collected in the blue bags, due to health & safety reasons. Residents should be encouraged to use the existing waste recycling centres but the County Council recognised that some residents would be unable to access these. Bottle banks have been requested for 5 locations in Kidwelly and 2 in Mynyddygarreg. A site visit will be arranged with the County Council to identify suitable locations. A green waste disposal site, as requested by the Town Forum was considered impractical. Concerns over vermin at the site were expressed. Compost bins are available from the County Council.

485 PARKS STEERING GROUP

A meeting of the steering group was held on 25th November 2008. Minutes have been circulated. The next meeting of the group will be on 20th January 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

486 INSTALLATION OF CCTV CAMERAS

In view of recent research, members questioned the effectiveness of CCTV as a deterrent especially in relation to its cost effectiveness. Using a CCTV system to monitor residents implied a lack of respect for those in the community. It was **RESOLVED** to meet with the police and the equipment supplier to assess the effectiveness and practicality of using the present system before making a decision on further purchases or upgrades or the removal of the system altogether.

487 KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL WEBSITE – IT SYSTEMS

The new website for Kidwelly Town Council is complete. Training for Council staff to manage the site has been included in the contract. Website development will include links with other organisations/businesses in the area, who have been contacted. Arrangements for a Welsh translation are being made. Note and **Close** this item.

488 THE RAY GRAVELL MEMORIAL FUND

The Cofio Grav Committee wishes to erect a memorial in Mynyddygarreg, located alongside the village hall. This area of land has now been registered. Due to conflict of interest the Council's solicitor cannot also act for the Hall. The Hall will engage its own solicitor, expenses to be covered by the Town Council.

489 GWENLLIAN CENTRE PROJECTS

The letter also stated that replacement tables are required – estimated cost is £2415 for 30 tables. New tables will need to be assessed and tested for durability before purchase. It was **RESOLVED** that, subject to satisfactory quotations and suitability testing, the Town Council would pay for the purchase of tables, up to a ceiling of £2,5000.

490 MEALS ON WHEELS

The following arrangements were made:-

Thursday 15th January 2009 Councillors A.M.Coles and F.Stevens

Friday 16th January 2009 Councillors H.Gilasbey and F.Burke-Lloyd

Note and **Close** this item.

491 CORRESPONDENCE JANUARY - 2009

There was no correspondence. Note and **Close** this item.

492 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –JANUARY - 2009

1. Radio Sir Gar has arranged to liaise with office staff regarding events which will take place in Kidwelly and Mynyddygarreg. Events will be recorded on Friday mornings and broadcast on the following Monday morning. This will be bi-lingual. It is anticipated that this publicity will increase the interest shown in these events and enhance the number of those attending. Note and **Close** this item.
2. It was agreed that councillors who are school governors representing the Town Council should provide a written report informing members of matters arising from governor's meetings and give details of any events planned. Note and **Close** this item.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

3rd MARCH 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at Burns, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 3rd March at 6.30 p.m.

Present:	Town Mayor	A.M.Coles
	Deputy Mayor	H.Gilasbey
	Councillor	J. Gilasbey (in chair)
	Councillors:	F. Burke-Lloyd, T.M.Burns, T Finch, J. Lane, R.Davies
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Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 6th January 2009

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

601 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Angela Coles declared an interest – Minute 611

602 HIGHWAYS LIGHTING

1. Heol Ray Gravell

A third light in the road has now been installed. Mr John Jenkins, a resident, has written a letter of thanks to the Town Council. Note and **Close** this item.

2. Lighting at Parc Pendre

Total cost of lighting the path would be £4,000 + VAT. Mr Francis, Lighting Officer, has indicated that the County Council would be prepared to fund 50% of this. It was **RESOLVED** to install this lighting.

3. Lighting in Parc Stephens

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603 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

Location maps for the signs for the Community Halls have been approved. Cost of the signs is awaited.

2. Twinning Signs

A photograph of the Newcastle Emlyn sign has been produced. Simple signs to be attached to the existing gateway signs will be considered. The Twinning Association will provide details of the design required.

3. Castle Street

Residents have complained that there is inadequate signage for Castle Street. Consequently, mail and deliveries are misdirected to Castle Road. Mr McEvoy agreed that the sign was sited at the wrong end of the one way system. He will investigate the matter.

4. Lady Street

White lines across the entrance to the bowls club – the Bowls Club are awaiting application forms for white access protection markings across their entrance. The County Council will be requested to supply forms urgently.

5. Horeb Road

Priority signs. The Accident Research & Prevention Officer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with the new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. This may be dependent on planning permission being granted for a housing development in the vicinity. A residents meeting has been arranged to consider this matter.

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606 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

This matter was considered at the PACT meeting on 18th February 2009. Police are to carry out door to door consultation with residents regarding the traffic congestion. This road has become a Police Priority Surveillance Area – to get cars off both pavements. The police are in contact with the County Council over this problem. The Town Council has asked the County council to put double yellow lines down one side of the road. A response is awaited.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

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608 RECYCLING

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609 PARKS STEERING GROUP

The next meeting of the group will be on 12th March 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

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611 THE RAY GRAVELL MEMORIAL FUND

The Cofio Grav Committe has submitted details of the project which will cost in the region of £20,000. This matter was referred to the Finance Committee meeting on 10th March 2009. Note and **Close** this item.

612 GWENLLIAN CENTRE PROJECTS

Replacement tables for the hall have been received. Note and **Close** this item.

613 MEALS ON WHEELS

The following rota has been arranged:-

Thursday 26th March 2009 Councillors A.M.Coles and H.Gilasbey

Friday 27th March 2009 Councillors F. Burke-Lloyd and T. Burns

Note and **Close** this item.

614 REPAIRS TO PAVEMENTS AND POTHOLES

A list of repairs to pavements and potholes was prepared for submission to the County Council. Areas of concern were: The pavement near the Boot and Shoe, Lady Street pavements and kerbs, Abbey Street pavements and a narrow pavement in Ferry Road. The car park area at Glan yr afon seems non-compliant with disability access legislation and there is inadequate signage at the bus parking area.

615 CORRESPONDENCE –MARCH - 2009

A] Urgent Planning matters

REF	TYPE	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	LOCATION	APPLICANT
S/20625	Full Planning	Car sales showroom	Gravells Garage	Gravells Ltd

There were no observations on this application. Note and **Close** this item.

B] General purposes correspondence

1	Shelter Cymru	Information packs are available, giving practical information on housing, debt and welfare benefits and rural well-being. Note and Close this item.
2	Cadw	Members were informed that Cadw will switch off the castle lights between 8.30 and 9.30pm on the 28 th March 2009 in support of the WWF's Earth Hour to demonstrate concern over climate change. Note and Close this item.

616 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –MARCH - 2009

1. The Youth Hut. A meeting will be held on 5th March 2009 between Councillors J. Gilasbey, H.Gilasbey, F. Burke-Lloyd and trustees of the Youth Hut. The aim is to utilise the facility more effectively for the benefit of the youth of the town.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

21st APRIL 2009

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Present:	Town Mayor	A.M.Coles
	Deputy Mayor	H.Gilasbey
	Councillor	J. Gilasbey (in chair)
	Councillors:	F. Burke-Lloyd, T.M.Burns, T Finch, J. Lane, R.Davies, K.Davies, D.Jones, G.G.Jones
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Apologies:	Councillors:	F.Stevens

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 3rd March 2009

678 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

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1. Lighting at Parc Pendre

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680 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

Signage will cost £1600. The County Council have indicated that there is no money available for match funding. A strongly worded appeal against this has been made. It was reported that Mr McEvoy, Carmarthenshire County Council, is awaiting his budget for the current financial year.

2. Twinning Signs

A photograph of the Newcastle Emlyn sign has been produced. A quote for similar signs has been requested.

3. Castle Street/Road

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686 PARKS STEERING GROUP

The next meeting of the group will be on 7th May 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

687 INSTALLATION OF CCTV CAMERAS

Police have requested that the system be repaired. No convictions have resulted from the monitoring of the cameras since they were installed. Cost of repairs is estimated at several hundred pounds. It was **RESOLVED** that, as the premises will be vacated in the near future, the cameras will not be repaired. The police will be informed. Note and **Close** this item.

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690 MEALS ON WHEELS

The following rota has been arranged:-

Thursday 28th May 2009	Councillors A.Coles and H.Gilasbey
Friday 29th May 2009	Councillors T.Burns and F.Burke-Lloyd
Thursday 16 th July 2009	Councillors H.Gilasbey and J.Lane
Friday 17 th July 2009	Councillors T.Burns and F.Burke-Lloyd

Note and **Close** this item.

691 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

It was reported that the Youth Council are hoping to introduce Tea Dances. The Chair of the Youth Forum will meet with the Project Officer who will assist in applying for grants.

692 SPEED CONTROL VOLUNTEERS

It was reported that Councillors J. and H. Gilasbey and members of the Youth Forum have been working with the police to reduce speeding traffic through the town. A mobile speed monitor has been used to log speeds of vehicles travelling on Kidwelly streets at different times of the day. Further speed checks will take place in the coming month. A report will be made to the General Purpose Committee when details have been compiled.

693 FLY TIPPING

The Town Clerk had prepared and circulated a summary of legislation regarding fly tipping. This information was explained to him by the Environmental Enforcement Officer of the County Council. He informed members that the Town Council had limited powers to deal with environmental issues. Incidents of fly tipping are reported to the County Council. The matter of refuse and waste bins was referred to the Estates Committee. Note and **Close** this item.

694 CORRESPONDENCE –APRIL - 2009

A] Urgent Planning matters - None

B] General Purposes correspondence

1	Carmarthenshire County Council	A request has been received from the Swansea & Carmarthen Bays Shoreline Management Plan Review Body to participate in the consultation for the Shoreline Management Plan. The body will be requested to supply information regarding its plans for the Kidwelly shoreline.
2	Welsh Assembly Government	A project to create a database of documents and photographs of Welsh history is being undertaken. Details of how to participate are available in the office. Note and Close this item.
3	Carmarthenshire County Council	Notification was received regarding the naming of an area “Stockwell Forge”. No objections were made but the County Council will be requested to ensure that signage will be bi-lingual. Note and Close this item.

695 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –APRIL - 2009

There was no other business.

The Chair thanked members for their support during her term as Chair of the General Purposes Committee.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

12th MAY 2009

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	Deputy Mayor	F. Burke-Lloyd
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32 CORRESPONDENCE –APRIL - 2009

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33 CORRESPONDENCE –MAY - 2009

A letter has been received from the Royal British Legion regarding the addition of names to the War Memorial. This matter was referred to the Estates Committee. Note and **Close** this item.

34 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –MAY - 2009

There was no other business.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

2nd JUNE 2009

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No declarations of interest were made.

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A photograph of the Newcastle Emlyn sign has been produced. A quote for similar signs has been requested.

3. Castle Street/Road

Residents have complained that there is inadequate signage for the area around Castle Street/Road. Consequently, mail and deliveries are misdirected. County Councillor K.Davies and Cllr F.Stevens will conduct a site visit on 4th June 2009 to decide on the relocation sites for the signs.

4. Lady Street

White lines across the entrance to the bowls club – the Bowls Club have made an application for white access protection markings across their entrance. Note and **Close** this item.

5. **Horeb Road**

Priority signs. The Accident Research & Prevention Officer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with the new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. This may be dependent on planning permission being granted for a housing development in the vicinity. A residents meeting has been arranged to consider this matter.

89 SPEED LIMIT – CARMARTHEN ROAD

The County Council has extended the 30MPH to approximately half way along Carmarthen Road, the remaining section of road is at 50MPH. Note and **Close** this item.

90 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

This matter was considered at the PACT meeting on 18th February 2009. Police are to carry out door to door consultation with residents regarding the traffic congestion. This road has become a Police Priority Surveillance Area – to get cars off both pavements. The police are in contact with the County Council over this problem. The Town Council has asked the County Council to put double yellow lines down one side of the road.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

91 DOG FOULING

The County Council will be requested to put up signs stating that dogs should be on leads in the park. Dogs should not be allowed on the pitches. Current enforcement legislation will be looked at.

92 RECYCLING

It was reported that bottle banks have been placed in 5 locations in Kidwelly. The County Council will be requested to put locks on these bins. Suitable locations in Mynyddygarreg will be identified.

93 PARKS STEERING GROUP

The steering group will meet on 18th June 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

94 REPAIRS TO PAVEMENTS AND POTHOLES

A list of repairs to pavements and potholes has been submitted to the County Council. Areas of concern were: The pavement near the Boot and Shoe, Lady Street pavements and kerbs, Abbey Street pavements and a narrow pavement in Ferry Road. The car park area at Glan yr Afon seems non-compliant with disability access legislation and there is inadequate signage at the bus parking area. These matters were raised at the Kidwelly Partnership meeting. No further information has been received.

95 THE YOUTH HUT

An AGM will be held in the near future to appoint new officers. Installation of street lighting for the area near the hut has been referred to the Finance Committee.

96 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

It was reported that the Youth Council are hoping to introduce Tea Dances. The Chair of the Youth Council will meet with the Project Officer who will assist in applying for grants.

97 SPEED CONTROL VOLUNTEERS

Councillors J. and H. Gilasbey and members of the Youth Council have been working with the police to try to reduce speeding traffic through the town. A mobile speed monitor has been used to log speeds of vehicles travelling on Kidwelly streets at different times of the day. The matter is ongoing and further speed checks will take place in the coming month. Schools will be involved. A meeting regarding traffic calming measures will be held with the County Council.

98 CORRESPONDENCE –APRIL - 2009

1	Carmarthenshire County Council	A response to the consultation document has been forwarded to the Swansea & Carmarthen Bays Shoreline Management Plan Review Body. The body has been requested to supply information regarding its plans for the Kidwelly shoreline.
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99 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

1. Speeding – Council was informed of a new protocol. Reports of speeding should be made to the police. Contacts are to be put on the ground in 7 locations in Kidwelly to obtain true speed readings of traffic. County Councillor K.Davies will meet with Highways Officer, Mr McEvoy and the police to discuss the speeding issue.
2. It was reported that a review of school buildings is being undertaken. No decision regarding Ysgol Gwennllian has been made. If it were to be relocated, no Town Council land was considered suitable.
3. The County Council may consider trying to transfer the maintenance of parks to community councils. One Voice Wales will be consulted over this.

100 DAFFODIL PLANTING

A plan to plant Welsh grown daffodils bulbs in the town was considered. A 25kg sack containing approximately 500 bulbs will cost £10. A special offer of buy one get one free has been identified It was **RESOLVED** to purchase 2 sacks for £20 which will provide 2000 bulbs. Businesses, organisations and individuals will be asked to sponsor a sack. Schools and interest groups will be requested to help with the planting in the autumn.

101 CORRESPONDENCE –MAY - 2009

There was no correspondence. Note and **Close** this item.

102 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –JUNE - 2009

1. It was reported that a bench at the quay was broken. The Estates Manager will be requested to carry out repairs.
2. A second request for a bench in the park near the Co-operative store will be made to the County Council.
3. The County Council will be requested to repair the lock on the gate to the children's play park.
4. The crockery from the Mayor's Parlour will be offered to the Welfare Committee. Note and **Close** this item.
5. Traffic Wardens will be patrolling the streets after 4.30pm at various times in the coming month. Note and **Close** this item.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

7th JULY 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at the Princes Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 7th July 2009

Present:-	Town Mayor	T.M.Burns
	Deputy Mayor	F. Burke-Lloyd (in chair)
	Councillors:	J.Gilasbey, J.Lane, T.Finch, F.Stevens, A.M.Coles R.Davies, K.Davies, D. Jones, P.ap Ioan, H.Gilasbey
	Town Clerk	M. MacDonald
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Translator	L.Kirkham-Jones
Apologies:-	Councillors	D.Jones

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 2nd June 2009

166 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

167 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

The Hall sign was installed outside 24 Station Road. It was then moved further along the pavement. Both sites are considered unsatisfactory and the location is being reviewed. The sign at Mynyddygarreg is single-sided. It had been agreed that the sign would be double-sided. This will be reported to the County Council.

2. Twinning Signs

A photograph of the Newcastle Emlyn sign has been produced. A quote for similar signs has been requested.

3. Castle Street/Road

County Councillor K.Davies and Cllr F.Stevens conducted a site visit on 4th June 2009 to decide on the relocation sites for the signs. It was recommended that the sign be sited in the lane. Consultation over the sign will be continued as it is in a conservation area.

4. Horeb Road

Priority signs. The Accident Research & Prevention Officer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with the new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. This may be dependent on planning permission being granted for a housing development in the vicinity. A residents meeting has been arranged to consider this matter.

168 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

Traffic congestion is still a problem in Horeb Road. The County Council is proceeding with a plan to demolish the garages and use the area for parking.

169 SPEED CONTROL VOLUNTEERS

Councillors J. and H. Gilasbey and members of the Youth Council have been working with the police to try to reduce speeding traffic through the town. Further speed checks will take place in the coming week.

170 REPAIRS TO PAVEMENTS AND POTHOLES

The following problems will be reported:-

Holes in the grasscrete need to be filled. The pavement near Passion for Flowers is in need of repair. The BT cover in the pavement near the Post Office is in a dangerous condition.

The County Council will be requested to install cycle racks at Glan yr Afon.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

171 DOG FOULING

Legislation which requires dogs to be on leads will not be enforceable until the end of the year. Signs need to be placed on land around Mynyddgarreg mountain. For legislation to be enforced, dog fouling must be reported to the Enforcement Officer of the County Council.

172 RECYCLING

A suitable location for a re-cycling area in Mynyddgarreg has been identified. This will be referred to the Estates Committee.

It was reported that recycling will commence in Mynyddgarreg during the 3rd week of October 2009.

The County council will be requested to provide glass banks in areas near Ger y Gwendraeth and Water Street.

173 PARKS STEERING GROUP

Provision of a building at Parc Stephens will be made. Sporting organisations will be requested to submit their requirements for facilities. Flood lighting is to be considered. A blockage in a drainage pipe has been identified. The steering group will meet on 21st July 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

174 THE YOUTH HUT

An AGM will be held in the near future to appoint new officers. Installation of street lighting for the area near the hut has been referred to the Finance Committee.

175 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

It was reported that the Youth Council are hoping to introduce Tea Dances. The Chair of the Youth Council will meet with the Project Officer who will assist in applying for grants.

176 CARMARTHEN BAYS SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

A meeting of the Key Stakeholders Forum will be held at the Liberty Stadium, Swansea on 15th July 2009.

177 DAFFODIL PLANTING

Organisations in the town have supported the daffodil appeal. 13,000 bulbs will be planted in the autumn. Suitable locations will be sought.

178 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –JUNE - 2009

1. It was reported that a bench at the quay was broken. The Estates Manager has been requested to investigate a replacement. This matter was referred to the Estates Committee.
2. A second request for a bench in the park near the Co-operative store has been made to the County Council.
3. The County Council has been requested to secure the lock on the gate to the children's play park.

179 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

All issues had been covered in previous minutes.

180 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Further progress on this matter will be made after the Kidwelly Carnival on 11th July 2009.

181 CREDIT UNIONS

Dates for meetings with Credit Unions in Llanelli and Carmarthen are awaited.

182 WEBSITE

Various quotes for website translation are awaited. A trial "in-house" translation will be attempted.

183 SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY HALLS

Financial arrangements with the community halls will be formalised. Any request for financial support must be made before the expenditure is incurred. Donations should be for capital expenses. The Town Clerk will inform both hall committees of these arrangements. Note and **Close** this item.

184 CORRESPONDENCE –JULY - 2009

1.	Carmarthenshire County Council	Proposed speeding restrictions on the A484 Pwll –Idole. The Town Council will forward the following observations to the County Council:- Carmarthen Road and Pembrey Road should be 30MPH. Parc y Bocs roundabout to Kingswood should be reduced from 50 to 40MPH. The By Pass should have a restricted speed limit by the crossing to Mynyddygarreg and also near the bridleway crossing.
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KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

8th SEPTEMBER 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at the Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 8th September 2009

Present:-	Town Mayor	T.M.Burns
	Deputy Mayor	F. Burke-Lloyd (in chair)
	Councillors:	J.Gilasbey, F.Stevens, A.M.Coles, D.Jones R.Davies, K.Davies, H.Gilasbey
	Town Clerk	M. MacDonald
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
Apologies:-	Councillors	J.Lane

234 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 253 – Councillor T.Burns

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 7th July 2009

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

235 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

The Hall sign at Station Road has been installed in its original position. The Town Council will not be responsible for any costs incurred by the moving of the sign. Mynyddygarreg sign has been installed, but only as a one-sided sign not a two-sided as agreed. This is being rectified and a new estimate is being prepared.

2. Twinning Signs

Details of the possible placement of these signs will be given to the Twinning Association. Estimates for the work can then be obtained.

3. Castle Street/Road

County Councillor K.Davies and Cllr F.Stevens conducted a site visit on 4th June 2009 to decide on the relocation sites for the signs. It was agreed to place a new sign on the wall of Castle Farm, in the lane. Note and **Close** this item.

4. Horeb Road

Priority signs. The Accident Research & Prevention Officer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with the new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. Planning permission for a housing development in the vicinity has been sought. This development, if granted, would affect the volume of traffic in the area. The planning decision is awaited.

236 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

Traffic congestion is still a problem in Horeb Road. The County Council is proceeding with a plan to demolish the garages and use the area for parking.

237 SPEED CONTROL VOLUNTEERS

Councillors J. and H. Gilasbey and members of the Youth Council have been working with the police to try and reduce speeding traffic through the town. Further speed checks will take place in the coming weeks.

238 REPAIRS TO PAVEMENTS AND POTHOLES

The following problems have been reported:-

The pavement near Passion for Flowers: the BT cover in the pavement near the Post Office. The County Council have been requested to install cycle racks at Glan yr Afon.

These matters will be raised at the Kidwelly Partnership meeting on 17th September 2009.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

239 DOG FOULING

Legislation which requires dogs to be on leads will not be enforceable until the end of the year. Signs need to be placed on land around Mynyddgarreg mountain. For legislation to be enforced, dog fouling must be reported to the Enforcement Officer of the County Council.

240 RECYCLING

A suitable location for a re-cycling area in Mynyddgarreg has been identified. A petition against this has been received from local residents. This matter has been referred to the Estates Committee.

The County Council will be requested to provide glass banks in areas near Ger y Gwendraeth and Water Street. A new re-cycling scheme will be introduced in November 2009. A meeting to discuss this will be held on 9th October 2009 in the Town Hall, Llanelli. Councillors A.M.Coles, F.Stevens, F.Burke-Lloyd and J.Gilasbey will attend. A series of roadshows will be held in December 2009 to offer advice on re-cycling to residents.

241 PARKS STEERING GROUP

Funding for a building at Parc Stephens is available from the County Council. Sporting organisations have been requested to submit their requirements for facilities. However, as no responses have been received, letters will be sent to these organisations urging them to respond. The next steering group meeting has not been scheduled.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

242 THE YOUTH HUT

An AGM will be held in the near future to appoint new officers. Installation of street lighting for the area near the hut has been referred to the Finance Committee.

243 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

It was reported that the Youth Council are hoping to introduce Tea Dances. The Chair of the Youth Council will meet with the Project Officer who will assist in applying for grants.

244 CARMARTHEN BAYS SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

A meeting of the Key Stakeholders Forum was held at the Liberty Stadium, Swansea on 15th July 2009.

245 DAFFODIL PLANTING

Organisations in the town have supported the daffodil appeal. 13,000 bulbs will be planted in the autumn. The bulbs have not yet been received. Suitable locations will be sought and volunteers recruited.

246 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –JUNE - 2009

1. It was reported that a bench at the quay was broken. The Estates Manager has been requested to investigate a replacement. This matter was referred to the Estates Committee.
2. A second request for a bench in the park near the Co-operative store has been made to the County Council.
3. The County Council has been requested to secure the lock on the gate to the children's play park.

247 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Letters have been sent to town businesses requesting them to consider installing brackets for small Christmas Trees to be placed on their premises. Replies are awaited.

248 CREDIT UNIONS

Credit Unions have been contacted and dates for meetings with Credit Unions in Llanelli and Carmarthen are awaited.

249 WEBSITE

Various quotes for website translation are awaited. A trial "in-house" translation will be attempted. This will be expedited as soon as possible.

250 CORRESPONDENCE –JULY - 2009

1.	Carmarthenshire County Council	An explanation of the rationale behind the speeding restrictions on the A484 has been received from the County Council. Speeding restrictions on the By-Pass will be considered at the Kidwelly Partnership meeting on 17 th September 2009. Note and Close this item.
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251 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

1. To alleviate traffic congestion in Bridge Street, Mr McEvoy of the County Council has suggested shortening the length of the bus stop, inserting a disabled parking area and limited waiting.
2. Seven areas for contact points for speed checks have been identified but the equipment is not yet in place.
3. At Glan yr Afon, the holes in the grasscrete will be filled in, the disabled sign will be reinstated and the waste bin replaced.
4. Ysgol Gwenllian is applying to be included in the MEP (Modernising Education Programme). The County Council and school governors are working towards this.
5. Councillor Davies has met with Mr Alex Saide of the County Council to discuss the lack of pavements in Monksford Street. This will be part of the safety issues raised with the County Council at a meeting to be arranged. Councillor J. Gilasbey will give a presentation. This will be brought to Full Council for approval before the meeting.
6. It is proposed to make part of Hillfield Villas into a one-way street. The fire appliance will then have easier exit onto Station Road if no vehicles are approaching it.
7. The Fair, which is due in Kidwelly in late October, will not be allowed to set up in Glan yr Afon. A more suitable location has to be found. This matter will be referred to the Estates Committee on 15th September 2009.

252 CORRESPONDENCE –AUGUST/SEPTEMBER - 2009

1	Mr Sean Petheram	Safety warning signs at Llys Gwenllian have been requested. A letter of support will be sent to the County Council. Note and Close this item.
2	Carmarthenshire County Council	It has been proposed to name the new development at the former Optic site “Parc Gwenllian”. There were objections as it was felt that there are too many “Gwenllian” place names in the area, causing confusion. The County Council will be informed of this. Note and Close this item.

253 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS –AUGUST/SEPTEMBER - 2009

It was reported that a large volume of lorries were travelling along Ferry Road / St Ishmael’s Road between 8.30 – 9.00am when children were going to school. This matter would be referred to the Highways department of the County Council as it was a traffic problem. Note and **Close** this item.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

6th OCTOBER 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at the Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday 6th October 2009

Present:- Town Mayor T.M.Burns
Deputy Mayor F. Burke-Lloyd (in chair)
Councillors: J.Gilasbey, A.M.Coles, D.Jones, R.Davies, H.Gilasbey
Town Clerk M. MacDonald
Town Secretary A Padgett
Apologies:- Councillors J.Lane, K.Davies

310 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 8th September 2009

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

311 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

The Hall sign at Station Road has been installed in its original position. The Town Council will not be responsible for any costs incurred by the moving of the sign. Mynyddygarreg sign has been installed, but only as a one-sided sign not a two-sided as agreed. This is being rectified and a new estimate is being prepared. It was reported that the sign is protruding into the road and should be moved nearer the hedge.

2. Twinning Signs

Details of the possible placement of these signs has been given to the Twinning Association. Estimates for the work will be obtained.

3. Horeb Road

Priority signs. The Accident Research & Prevention Officer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with the new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. Planning permission for a housing development in the vicinity has been sought. This development, if granted, would affect the volume of traffic in the area. The planning decision is still awaited.

312 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

Traffic congestion is still a problem in Horeb Road. The County Council is proceeding with a plan to demolish the garages and use the area for parking.

313 SPEED CONTROL VOLUNTEERS

Councillor J. Gilasbey provided a report on the traffic monitoring operation that had been carried out jointly with PCSO Richi Wells. Members **RESOLVED** that the report should be presented to the County Council as evidence of traffic congestion and speeding in the town and in Mynyddygarreg.

314 REPAIRS TO PAVEMENTS AND POTHOLES

The following problems have been reported:-

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These matters were raised again at the Kidwelly Partnership meeting on 17th September 2009.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

315 DOG FOULING

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317 PARKS STEERING GROUP

Funding for a building at Parc Stephens is available from the County Council. Sporting organisations have been requested to submit their requirements for facilities. Several responses have been received. The Cricket Club has reservations about the proposed position of the cricket pavilion. The Town Clerk will arrange the next steering group meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

318 YOUTH PROVISION

It was agreed that the Project Officer would assist in seeking grants for youth provision in the town. The Town Clerk will monitor the workload involved. Note and **Close** this item.

319 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

It was reported that funding for the Tea Dances has been attained. It is proposed to hold dances in Kidwelly and Mynyddgarreg on alternate months. It is hoped that this will commence in the next few weeks. The Council will provide posters to advertise the events.

320 CARMARTHEN BAYS SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The next meeting of the Key Stakeholders Forum will be held at the National Botanic Gardens on 3rd November 2009. Councillors T.Burns and F.Burke-Lloyd will attend.

321 DAFFODIL PLANTING

13,000 daffodil bulbs have been received. Suitable locations have been identified for planting. The "Mayor's Initiative" is a programme managed by the Probation Service. This initiative will enable the Probation Service to provide people to carry out the planting and monitor the operation. This is being arranged.

322 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –JUNE - 2009

1. A further request for a bench in the park near the Co-operative store has been made to the County Council.
2. The County Council has been requested to secure the lock on the gate to the children's play park.

323 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The County Council is installing a feeder pillar at Plough Gardens so that a tree growing there may be illuminated. The Mayor has met with R.T.Electrics and confirmed the lighting requirements for this year. Many of the rope lights do not comply with new regulations and replacement bulbs are no longer available for purchase. Low energy bulbs will be used in future lighting displays. Designs for fixtures on lampposts will be considered.

Concern was expressed that certain residents were under the misapprehension that no lights would be provided this Christmas. Letters had been sent to town businesses requesting them to consider installing brackets for small Christmas Trees to be placed on their premises. No mention was made of there being no other lights. Arrangements for the lighting ceremony have been placed in the Library Display Window. A press release will be issued to correct any misunderstandings. This will be entitled "Kidwelly has not cancelled Christmas".

324 CREDIT UNIONS

A meeting was arranged with a Credit Union representative on 6th October 2009 but this had to be postponed. It will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

325 WEBSITE

A trial "in-house" translation will be attempted. This will be expedited as soon as possible. Translators have also been contacted and responses are awaited.

326 MEALS ON WHEELS

The following rota has been arranged:-

Thursday 15th October 2009 – Councillor F.Burke-Lloyd

Friday 16th October 2009 - Councillor A.M.Coles

Note and **Close** this item.

327 CORRESPONDENCE OCTOBER 2009

1	Carmarthenshire County Council	Abandoned shopping trolleys initiative. Council will support trolleywatch but does not have the resources to pursue the initiative. Note and Close this item.
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328 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS –OCTOBER - 2009

1. Former Optic Site. It was proposed to name the new housing development at this site as "Maes Werdd". This suggestion will be submitted to the County Council. Note and **Close** this item.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

3rd NOVEMBER 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at the Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday 3rd November 2009

Present:-	Town Mayor	T.M.Burns
	Deputy Mayor	F. Burke-Lloyd (in chair)
	Councillors:	J.Gilasbey, A.M.Coles, D.J.Jones, R.Davies, S.Finch H.Gilasbey, K.Davies, G.G.Jones, D.M.Jones
	Town Clerk	M. MacDonald
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Translator	Lynda Kirkham-Jones
Apologies:-	Councillors	F.Stevens, J.Lane

384 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 400 – Councillors K.Davies, H.Gilasbey, F.Burke-Lloyd

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 6th October 2009

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

385 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

An invoice for the hall signs has been received. This included costs of addition work carried out due to the re-location of the signs. An amended invoice has been requested which excludes the addition works the cost of which should be borne by the County Council.

2. Twinning Signs

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3. Horeb Road

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390 RECYCLING

It was reported that Councillors F.Burke-Lloyd, J.Gilasbey and A.M.Coles had conducted a survey to seek residents opinions on the re-cycling service. On 23rd November 2009 Kidwelly and Mynyddygarreg will be the first town in the county to have a complete door collection re-cycling service.

The County Council will be requested to provide glass banks in areas near Ger y Gwendraeth, Ger y Castell and Water Street.

391 PARKS STEERING GROUP

It was reported that further flooding at Parc Stephens was causing cancellation of matches. County Councillor K.Davies is meeting County Council officers on 4th November 2009 to consider options for rectifying the situation. The Fair has also caused damage to the grassed areas. It was noted that Sports Associations can attract grant funding for facilities. The Section 106 money pledged from the development at the former Optical Site has not yet been allocated.

The next steering group meeting will be held on 17th November 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

392 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

It was reported that funding for the Tea Dances has been attained. The first Tea Dance will be held on 18th December 2009 between 3.00 – 6.00pm. Ms Stella Hall will conduct Dance Workshops. Councillor Jeanette Gilasbey will arrange and serve the refreshments.

393 CARMARTHEN BAYS SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

A meeting of the Key Stakeholders Forum was held at the National Botanic Gardens on 3rd November 2009. Councillor T.Burns attended. Implications of flooding due to climate change were considered. It was noted that the railway line was at risk at very high tides. The situation will be monitored.

394 DAFFODIL PLANTING

13,000 daffodil bulbs have been received. Suitable locations have been identified for planting. The “Mayor’s Initiative” is a programme managed by the Probation Service. This initiative will enable the Probation Service to provide people to carry out the planting and monitor the operation. Planting will be commenced on 7th November 2009.

395 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –JUNE - 2009

1. A further request for a bench in the park near the Co-operative store has been made to the County Council. This matter will be referred to the Parks Steering Group. Note and **Close** this item.

2. The County Council has secured the lock on the gate to the children's play park. Note and **Close** this item

396 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The County Council has installed a feeder pillar at Plough Gardens so that a tree growing there may be illuminated. The Mayor has met with R.T.Electrics and confirmed the lighting requirements for this year. It was reported that arrangements for the lighting ceremony were in hand. Volunteers were requested to help.

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399 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

It was reported that:-

- a] no details of the data collected from the "speed contact points" laid down last month were available as yet.
- b] Cofio Grav has received £6000 from the Tidy Towns Initiative.

400 COEDBACH APPEAL

An appeal has been made against the refusal of planning permission for the Coedbach Biomass Plant. It was **RESOLVED** to register the Town Council's interest in the matter under Rule 6, so that the Council will be informed of developments and reserve the right to comment.

401 CORRESPONDENCE NOVEMBER 2009

There was no correspondence. Note and **Close** this item.

402 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS –NOVEMBER - 2009

It was reported that children were playing in the Glan yr Afon car park and damage was being caused to cars. The police are aware of this and the County Council will be informed. Note and **Close** this item.

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

8th DECEMBER 2009

At the Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at the Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday 8th December 2009

Present:-	Town Mayor	T.M.Burns
	Deputy Mayor	F. Burke-Lloyd (in chair)
	Councillors:	J.Gilasbey, D.J.Jones, R.Davies, S.Finch, H.Gilasbey, K.Davies, F.Stevens,
	Town Clerk	M. MacDonald
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
	Translator	Lynda Kirkham-Jones
Apologies:-	Councillors	J.Lane, D.M.Jones, A.M.Coles

476 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 490 – Councillor F.Burke-Lloyd Minute 493 [3] – Councillor R.Davies.

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 3rd November 2009

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

477 SIGNAGE

1. Community Halls

The community signs have been installed. An amended invoice for the hall signs has been received. This invoice is being queried.

2. Twinning Signs

Details of the possible placement of these signs has been given to the Twinning Association. Estimates for the work are being obtained.

3. Horeb Road

Priority signs. The Accident Research & Prevention Officer has provided the council's planning authority with an estimated cost to provide a 20mph speed limit on all the approaches to this junction, along with the new street lighting, traffic signage, markings and a raised junction plateau. Planning permission for a housing development in the vicinity has been sought. This development, if granted, would affect the volume of traffic in the area. The planning decision is still awaited.

4. Mynyddygarreg Rugby Club

The rugby club has requested signage to direct traffic to their facility. The provision of such signage is in the remit of the County Council. The rugby club will be informed of this. Note and **Close** this item.

5. Castle Road sign. It was reported that the cost of the sign would be £685+Vat. As there were already signs in place, no further sign would be purchased. Note and **Close** this item.

478 GARAGES IN HOREB ROAD, MYNYDDYGARREG

Traffic congestion is still a problem in Horeb Road. The County Council is proceeding with a plan to demolish the garages and use the area for parking.

479 SPEED CONTROL VOLUNTEERS

Councillor J. Gilasbey provided a report on the traffic monitoring operation that had been carried out jointly with PCSO Richi Wells. Members **RESOLVED** that the report should be presented to the County Council as evidence of traffic congestion and speeding in the town and in Mynyddygarreg.

480 REPAIRS TO PAVEMENTS AND POTHOLES

The following problems have been reported:-

The pavement near Passion for Flowers: the BT cover in the pavement near the Post Office. The County Council have been requested to install cycle racks at Glan yr Afon and also in the Town Square.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

481 DOG FOULING

Legislation which requires dogs to be on leads will not be enforceable until the end of the year. Signs need to be placed on land around Mynyddygarreg mountain. For legislation to be enforced, dog fouling must be reported to the Enforcement Officer of the County Council.

482 RECYCLING

It was reported that on 23rd November 2009 Kidwelly and Mynyddygarreg was the first town in the county to have a complete door collection re-cycling service.

The County Council has been requested to provide glass banks in areas near Ger y Gwendraeth, Ger y Castell and Water Street.

483 PARKS STEERING GROUP

It was reported that extensive drainage works would need to be carried out before the building of any facilities could take place. The next steering group meeting will be held on 17th December 2009.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

484 INTRODUCTION OF TEA DANCES

Funding for the Tea Dances has been attained. The first Tea Dance will be held on 18th December 2009 between 3.00 – 6.00pm. Ms Stella Hall will conduct Dance Workshops. Councillor Jeanette Gilasbey will arrange and serve the refreshments.

485 CARMARTHEN BAYS SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

A meeting of the Key Stakeholders Forum was held at the National Botanic Gardens on 3rd November 2009. Councillor T.Burns attended. Implications of flooding due to climate change were considered. It was noted that the railway line was at risk at very high tides. The situation will be monitored.

486 DAFFODIL PLANTING

13,000 daffodil bulbs have now been planted under The “Mayor’s Initiative” a programme managed by the Probation Service. During the planting, a water pipe was severed causing a leak. Note and **Close** this item.

487 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The lights on the tree growing in Plough Gardens have been installed. The lights at New Street have been vandalised. The Lighting ceremony on 19th November 2009 was a success. Note and **Close** this item.

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491 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

It was reported that:-

1. The speeding report has been received from the County Council and will be circulated.
2. The Tidy Towns initiative is scheduled for December in Kidwelly. Litter picking has taken place in Glan yr Afon, and the Quay. A Waste Amnesty Weekend has been requested. A manned skip will be placed in the Gwenllian Centre car park, date awaited. Other areas in need of clearance were noted:- graffiti on Kidwelly bridge; the bus shelter on the square and the areas surrounding the bins on Castle River Walk.

492 COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR 2010-2011

Members were requested to consider the budget requirements for the General Purposes Committee for 2010-2011 in preparation for budget setting. Note and **Close** this item.

493 CORRESPONDENCE DECEMBER 2009

1	Mynyddygarreg Rugby Club	Request for a sign to the Rugby Club. This was considered at Minute 455. Note and Close this item.
2	Miss J.D.Hawkins	A request to cut back trees near Clos yr Onnen has been received. This is a matter for the building contractors and will be referred to them. Note and Close this item.
3	Carmarthenshire County Council	A Notice of Intent has been received to fell and prune 2 Sycamore trees growing within the grounds of the Barbican, Kidwelly. Note and Close this item.
4	Burry Port Chamber of Trade	An invitation is extended to the Christmas Lantern Festival on 19 th December 2009. Details were circulated. Note and Close this item.

494 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS –DECEMBER - 2009

There was no other business. Note and **Close** this item.