# 17th JANUARY 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

| Present:- | Town Mayor     | J. Gilasbey  |
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|           | Deputy Mayor   | S.Finch  |
|           | Chair          | R.Davies   |
|           | Councillors:   | R.Thomas, A Jenkins, J.Lane, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd |
|           |                | T.Burns, H.Gilasbey, D.Jones                         |
|           | Town Clerk     | Geraint Thomas                                       |
|           | Town Secretary | Anna Padgett   |
| Apologies | Councillors    | G.G.Jones  |

# 509 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 519 – Councillor F.Burke-Lloyd Minute 521 [1] [2] – Councillor A.Jenkins left the room.

# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> December 2011

#### 510 CEMETERY

1. Maintenance Outstanding

[a] The extension of the Memorial Garden is now near completion, once the ground has settled paving slabs will be laid. This will be clarified with the contractor.

[b] Five graves are in a dilapidated state and will be made safe by the Council unless further research into the deceased families are made.

[c] The new handrail to be modified in order to accommodate easier access.

[d] Rockery – the rockery needs attention. More appropriate planting or restructuring of the area may be required. A full assessment will be carried out in the springtime.

[e] Dog fouling has become a problem. Dogs on leads are allowed in the cemetery but irresponsible dog owners are not clearing up after their animals. Unaccompanied dogs have been seen roaming the cemetery. Various options were considered ie. Additional signage, notification to neighbouring houses, ensuring the gates were kept shut. The problem of stray dogs would be mentioned at the PACT meeting. It was agreed that a press release be sent to the local newspaper expressing the Council's disapproval of the disrespect shown by some dog owners who allow their pets to contaminate the cemetery.

2. Green Burials

Plans for a Green Burial area in the cemetery are being considered.

# 511 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

Repairs to potholes and additional works to enable easier access at the Quay are scheduled for Phase 2. However, temporary repairs are now urgently needed and spare gravel, stored near the site, could be used to fill the potholes. Money for the repairs should not be taken from the funding allocated to Phase 2. A meeting with the County Council has been arranged for 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012. The broken bridge has been boarded up but will be checked for safety on a regular basis.

# 512 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE

A structural survey of the whole building has been carried out and a written report provided. It had previously been **RESOLVED** to rectify Items 1-5 in the report as they are Health & Safety issues. Estimates for items 6 and 7 in the report are still awaited. It was noted that repairs to the roof would need to be carried out before other areas could be tackled.

# 513 COUNCIL GARAGES

Asbestos has been collected and bagged ready for removal from the garages and surrounding area. Garage 3 has been demolished and the tenant is waiting for the asbestos to be bagged. All the asbestos will be removed at the same time to reduce costs.

# 514 DAMPNESS IN THE HAIR SALON

The Town Clerk reported that there is evidence of rising damp in the hair salon. Extensive remedial work was carried out in 2007, but the problem has recurred. The situation will be monitored.

# 515 HORSES AT THE QUAY

The County Council has issued a Notice to Quit on its tenant who leases land at the Quay area. It was reported that horses had been taken away in a transporter. The situation will be monitored. Any information on animal rescue centres would be welcomed by the office. Note and **Close** this item.

# 516 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL

On 5<sup>th</sup> October 2011 the Town Clerk, Mayor and Chair of the Estates Committee met with residents of Heol Ray Gravell, to consider access and maintenance issues relating to the road. A letter has been sent to all residents of Heol Ray Gravell requesting details of covenants, rights of way or easements that may be in their property deeds. Some Land Registry data has been received further information is awaited. A further meeting with a representative of the residents has been held. The possibility of the county council adopting the lane, if it is brought up to an acceptable standard, will be investigated.

### 517 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 2011

2 A Hickman A request to place a bench or Tree as a memorial was considered by members. It was agreed to suggest the bench be sited along the Castle River Walk.

# 518 DIAMOND JUBILEE – TREE PLANTING

Cefn Sidan Rotary Club has brought to the attention of the town council, the initiative by the Woodland Trust to plant 1 million trees throughout Britain during February 2012 to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The Rotary Club will co-ordinate the initiative in conjunction with Pembrey & Burry Port Council and the local schools. No costs will be involved in the purchase of the trees. Glan yr Afon and Castle River Walk had been suggested. The trees could replace some of the rotten trees in Glan yr Afon which will be felled. Members were requested to visit the site and identify locations for tree planting.

#### <u>519</u> **TENDERS**

It was **RESOLVED** to put GL26 to tender. 3 year tenancy. Offers in excess of £2850. The tender documents will reflect land management issues highlighted by the RSPB and CCW.

#### 520 PLANNING

#### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF     | ТҮРЕ          | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT                    | LOCATION                                  | APPLICANT         |
|---|---------|---------------|--|---|-------------------|
|   |         |               |  |   |                   |
| 1 | S/25843 | Full Planning | Single dwelling                            | Former band room site, Mynydd y<br>Garreg | Mr Ioan Evans     |
| 2 | S/25863 | Full Planning | Extension – 2 bedrooms,<br>bathroom, study | Sea Breeze, Mynydd y Garreg               | Mr Malcolm Thomas |
| 3 | S/25923 | Full Planning | Interpretation panel                       | Remembrance Garden, Kidwelly              | KTC               |
| 4 | S/25924 | Full Planning | Interpretation panel                       | Pembrey Road, Kidwelly                    | KTC               |
| 5 | S/25925 | Full Planning | Interpretation panel                       | Kidwelly castle                           | KTC               |
| 6 | S/25926 | Full Planning | Interpretation panel                       | Kidwelly Square                           | KTC               |
| 7 | S/25965 | Full Planning | Interpretation panel                       | Ray Gravell Memorial                      | KTC               |
| 8 | S/25966 | Full Planning | Interpretation panel                       | Mynydd y Garreg mountain                  | KTC               |

#### **Planning outcomes**

| 1 | S/25775 | Extension to single storey | Bryn Hafod, Newtown, Mynydd y | Mr Graham Morgan | Granted  |
|---|---------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|
|   |         | garage                     | Garreg                        |                  | 03.01.12 |
|   |         |                            |                               |                  |          |

No observations were made. Note and **Close** this item.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE – JANUARY 2012** <u>521</u>

| 1 | Andrew Jenkins | Mr Jenkins requested to rent land at Tyfri Quarry so that he could rear wild boars.      |
|---|----------------|--|
|   |                | Many issues had to be taken into consideration as the land is an SSSI and should be      |
|   |                | treated as part of the mountain management plan as a whole. Advice will be taken         |
|   |                | on this matter.  |
| 2 | Andrew Jenkins | Mr Jenkins requested that his tenancy of GL20 become a joint lease with his              |
|   |                | business partner. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to allow this. Note and <b>Close</b> this item. |

**522 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – JANUARY 2012** There was no other urgent business. Note and **Close** this item.

### 13th MARCH 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

| Present:- | Town Mayor     | J. Gilasbey                                     |
|-----------|----------------|---|
|           | Deputy Mayor   | S.Finch   |
|           | Chair          | A Jenkins                                       |
|           | Councillors:   | R.Thomas, J.Lane, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd       |
|           |                | T.Burns, H.Gilasbey, D.Jones, B Huws, G G Jones |
|           | Town Clerk     | Geraint Thomas                                  |
|           | Town Secretary | Anna Padgett                                    |
| Apologies | Councillors    | R. Davies                                       |

The Mayor stated that to comply with a Judicial Review, as from 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2012, Prayers would be said before Full Council commences. Prayers would not be an Agenda item.

#### 630 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> February 2012

#### 631 CEMETERY

1. Maintenance Outstanding

[a] The extension of the Memorial Garden is now near completion, once the ground has settled paving slabs will be laid. This will be clarified with the contractor.

[b] Five graves are in a dilapidated state and will be made safe by the Council unless further research into the deceased families are made.

[c] The new handrail to be modified in order to accommodate easier access.

[d] Rockery – the rockery needs attention. More appropriate planting or restructuring of the area may be required. A full assessment will be carried out in the springtime.

[e] Dog fouling is an increasing problem. Dogs on leads are allowed in the cemetery but irresponsible dog owners are not clearing up after their animals. A dog waste bag dispenser will be placed in the cemetery. The possibility of making the cemetery "dog proof" to keep out stray dogs will be investigated. Signage will be placed on the gate.

2. Green Burials

Plans for a Green Burial area in the cemetery are being considered.

### 632 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

The Town Clerk reported that the Environment Agency has completed work on clearing part of the canal. This was done in conjunction with advice from RSPB. Work on Phase 2 will start on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2012 and is scheduled for 8 weeks. The car park will be closed. The dog waste bag dispenser may be temporarily moved if necessary.

# 633 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE

A structural survey of the whole building has been carried out and a written report provided. It had previously been **RESOLVED** to rectify Items 1-5 in the report as they are Health & Safety issues. It was **RESOLVED** to take advice from Mr Dalziel as to the safety of the rear wall to the car park and take remedial action urgently if necessary.

# 634 COUNCIL GARAGES

Asbestos has been collected and bagged ready for removal from the garages and surrounding area. Garage 3 has been demolished and the tenant is waiting for the asbestos to be bagged. All the asbestos will be removed at the same time to reduce costs.

# 635 DAMPNESS IN THE HAIR SALON

The Town Clerk reported that there is evidence of rising damp in the hair salon. Extensive remedial work was carried out in 2007, but the problem has recurred. The situation will be monitored. Note and **Close** this item.

# 636 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL

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### 637 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 2011

| 2 | A Hickman | A request to place a bench or Tree as a memorial was considered by members. It was |
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|   |           | agreed to suggest the bench be sited along the Castle River Walk.                  |

### 638 DIAMOND JUBILEE – TREE PLANTING

Cefn Sidan Rotary Club has completed the planting of trees at Glan yr Afon to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Appropriate sites will be found for the few trees which were surplus to requirements at Glan yr Afon. Note and **Close** this item.

### 639 TENDERS

#### GL 26

Two tenders were received but neither bid reached the required rent of £2850. The land will be re-advertised.

### 640 PLANNING

### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF      | TYPE          | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT          | LOCATION                       | APPLICANT    |
|---|----------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
|   |          |               |                                  |                                |              |
| 1 | S/226154 | Advertisement | Sign depicting 4 houses for sale | Former Butter factory, Station | Morgan       |
|   |          |               |                                  | Road, Kidwelly                 | Construction |

#### Planning outcomes

| 1  | S/25843 | Single dwelling                            | Former Band Room, Mynydd y                 | Ioan Evans     | Granted          |
|----|---------|--|--|----------------|------------------|
|    |         |  | Garreg                                     |                | 07.02.12         |
| 2  | S/25863 | Extension – 2 bedrooms,<br>bathroom, study | Sea Breeze, Mynydd y Garreg                | Malcolm Thomas | Granted 07.02.12 |
| 3  | S/25924 | Interpretation Panel                       | Pembrey Road, Kidwelly                     | КТС            | Granted 20.02.12 |
| 4  | S/25965 | Interpretation Panel                       | Adjacent to Cofio Graf, Mynydd y<br>Garreg | КТС            | Granted 20.02.12 |
| 5  | S/25966 | Interpretation Panel                       | Mynydd y Garreg Mountain                   | KTC            | 20.02.12         |
| 6  | S/26044 | Conservatory extension                     | 35 Parc Gwenllian, Mynydd y<br>Garreg      | Mr Thomas      | Granted 21.02.12 |
| 7  | S/25774 | Single storey rear<br>extension            | 5 Alstred Street, Kidwelly                 | Eirian Jones   | Granted 23.02.12 |
| 8  | S/25926 | Interpretation Panel                       | Bridge Street, Kidwelly                    | КТС            | Granted 17.02.12 |
| 9  | S/25925 | Interpretation Panel                       | Cadw shop, Kidwelly                        | КТС            | Granted 17.02.12 |
| 10 | S/25728 | 7 bungalows                                | Morfa Maen                                 | CCC            | Granted 01.03.12 |

Note and Close this item.

### 641 STORAGE FACILITY FOR TOWN COUNCIL EQUIPMENT

Items currently located at 2 Bridge Street will need to be stored when the building is sold. Mr Dalziel has a storage facility, costing £10 per week. He can also supply 2 skips and 1 employee plus vehicle to remove the waste at £20 per hour. An inventory of items to be retained and stored will be made. It was **RESOLVED** to use the storage facility, hire the employee and vehicle and begin the inventory as soon as possible. Note and **Close** this item.

### 642 RENT INCREASES – ALLOTMENTS AND TRAMWAY LICENSES

It was **RESOLVED** not to increase the rent for the allotments or the tramways.

#### 643 CORRESPONDENCE – MARCH 2012

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

#### 644 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – MARCH 2012

1. Tree at Plough Gardens. The tree was not considered to be overhanging neighbouring properties. It would be lopped if it became a problem.

2. Town Square. Slabs have lifted because of invasive tree roots. County Councillor Keith Davies will inform the County Council.

3. Seats at Morfa Maen. Seats were reported as dangerous. County Councillor Keith Davies will inform the County Council.

Note and **Close** this item.

#### 14th FEBRUARY 2012

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|           | Chair          | R.Davies   |
|           | Councillors:   | R.Thomas, A Jenkins, J.Lane, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd |
|           |                | T.Burns, H.Gilasbey, D.Jones                         |
|           | Town Clerk     | Geraint Thomas                                       |
|           | Town Secretary | Anna Padgett   |
| Apologies | Councillors    | B Huws   |

#### 574 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012

#### 575 CEMETERY

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2. Green Burials

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### 576 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

The Town Clerk reported that the metal gate closing off the yellow brick road has been stolen. The newly re-furbished area is deteriorating rapidly. The official start date for Phase 2 will be requested as will an estimate of the time for completion of the project. Remedial work on Phase 1 will be carried out during this time. The bridges will be reconstructed. Councillor R.Thomas was concerned that disabled access did not comply with requirements. A meeting with the county council and the disability access group will be arranged.

The Environment Agency will start work on clearing the canal in the near future.

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# 583 CORRESPONDENCE – JANUARY 2012

| 1 | Andrew Jenkins | Mr Jenkins requested to rent land at Tyfri Quarry so that he could rear wild boars.  |
|---|----------------|--|
|   |                | Councillor S.Finch was thanked for the report he had prepared which outlined the     |
|   |                | origins of the quarry and illustrated the natural beauty of the area. The site is an |
|   |                | SSSI and will be incorporated into the whole mountain management plan. The land      |
|   |                | will not be leased. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.                                 |

# 584 TENDERS

It was previously **RESOLVED** to put GL26 to tender. 3 year tenancy. Offers in excess of £2850. In the absence of advice from environmental interest groups which is awaited, the land will be advertised as per the usual tenancy specifications.

# 585 PLANNING

### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF     | ТҮРЕ          | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT        | LOCATION                       | APPLICANT           |
|---|---------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
|   |         |               |                                |                                |                     |
| 1 | S/26044 | Full Planning | Conservatory extension         | 35 Parc Gwenllian, Kidwelly    | Mr Thomas           |
| 2 | S/26093 | Full Planning | Erection of (7) 2 bedroom and  | Former Butter Factory, Station | Morgan Construction |
|   |         |               | (12) 3 bedroom 2 storey houses | Road, Kidwelly                 |                     |

S/26093

Ms Tessa Finch, resident of 86 Station Road, Kidwelly, attended the meeting and requested that the town council support her request that the county council defer the planning decision until the issue of damage to her property caused by the construction has been resolved. The blight on her property due to the close proximity of the new dwellings was also noted and observations on this would be made to the planning authority. It was **RESOLVED** to support Ms Finch.

#### **Planning outcomes**

No outcomes reported. Note and **Close** this item.

#### 586 CEMETERY RENT INCREASE

It was **RESOLVED** that no increase in cemetery fees be made in the year 2012 - 2013. Note and **Close** this item.

#### 587 CORRESPONDENCE – FEBRUARY 2012

| 1 | Tessa Finch | Planning issues have arisen at the development at the old Butter Factory in Station |
|---|-------------|---|
|   |             | Road. This matter was dealt with under Minute 585. Note and Close this item.        |

### 588 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – FEBRUARY 2012

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

# 17th APRIL 2012

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| Present:- | Town Mayor     | J. Gilasbey   |
|-----------|----------------|---|
|           | Deputy Mayor   | S.Finch   |
|           | Chair          | R.Davies  |
|           | Councillors:   | R.Thomas, J.Lane, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd, A. Jenkins |
|           |                | T.Burns, D.Jones, B Huws                              |
|           | Town Clerk     | Geraint Thomas  |
|           | Town Secretary | Anna Padgett  |
| Apologies | Councillors    | H.Gilasbey  |

### 686 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012

#### 687 CEMETERY

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2. Green Burials

Plans for a Green Burial area in the cemetery are being considered.

### 688 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

The Town Clerk reported that work on Phase 2 was progressing with no problems evident. The Environment Agency work on clearing part of the canal has been effective.

### 689 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE

Advice has been taken as to the safety of the rear wall to the car park. No urgent repair is needed. The surveyor who made the initial assessment will also report on this matter.

### 690 COUNCIL GARAGES

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# 692 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 2011

| 2 | A Hickman | A request to place a bench or Tree as a memorial was considered by members. It was |
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|   |           | agreed to suggest the bench be sited along the Castle River Walk.                  |
|   |           |  |

# 693 TENDERS

#### **GL25**

It was **RESOLVED** to put the land to tender for a three year period – offers in excess of £960 per annum

### GL 26

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the tender of £3000 per annum for a three year period.

### 694 PLANNING

#### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF     | ТҮРЕ          | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT          | LOCATION                          | APPLICANT |
|---|---------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
|   |         |               |                                  |                                   |           |
| 1 | S/26291 | Full planning | Erection of Interpretation panel | Land at Abbey Street,<br>Kidwelly | КТС       |

It was noted that the interpretation panels will be erected as soon as they are delivered.

#### Planning outcomes

| 1 | S/25290 | Single storey extension | 18 Lady Street, Kidwelly        | Mr Mark Snell  | Granted          |
|---|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
|   |         |                         |                                 |                | 07.02.12         |
| 2 | S/26154 | Advertising signs       | Former Butter Factory, Kidwelly | Mr Paul Morgan | Granted 22.03.12 |

### 695 INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS

This matter was deferred to the next meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

#### 696 CORRESPONDENCE – APRIL 2012

| 1 | Mr D Maskell | A tree had fallen on a new garage owned by Mr Maskell. He requested a reduction in     |
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|   |              | rent for his garage space to compensate for the cost of repairs. Costs will be sought. |
|   |              | Safety of the remaining trees will be assessed. Liability will be investigated.        |

### 697 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – APRIL 2012

- 1 A report that tarmacadam was being dumped in the area adjacent to the Gwenllian Centre was given. The Town Clerk will investigate.
- 2 Safe Routes to schools it was noted that head teachers are applying for the initiative.
- 3 It was reported that rubbish had been dumped near the allotments this will be investigated
- 4 The matter of Green Burials and cemetery mowing will be addressed by the new Council.

The Chair thanked all councillors for their support during the year and wished them well for the future.

# 15th MAY 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

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|-----------|-----------------|---|
|           | Deputy Mayor    | T.Burns   |
|           | Chair           | R.Davies  |
|           | Councillors:    | R.Thomas, G.G.Jones, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd, M.Thomas    |
|           |                 | N.Howell-Jones, L.Finch-Jones H.Jones, B Huws, H.Gilasbey |
|           | Town Clerk      | Geraint Thomas  |
|           | Town Secretary  | Anna Padgett  |
| Apologie  | s - Councillors |   |

Apologies - Councillors

#### **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2012

#### **31 CEMETERY**

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Plans for a Green Burial area in the cemetery are being considered.

#### **KIDWELLY QUAY AREA** 32

The Town Clerk reported that work on Phase 2 was behind schedule due to inclement weather. It was noted that the paths were constructed with unsuitable materials and were non-compliant. Motor bikes are churning up the surfaces. Maintenance costs in future years will be prohibitive. A meeting will be arranged with the county council. Roaming horses are still a problem. Dangerous hairy caterpillars were reported to the authorities.

#### 33 **COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE**

Advice has been taken as to the safety of the rear wall to the car park. No urgent repair is needed. The surveyor who made the initial assessment will also report on this matter. The leak in the toilets has been fixed.

#### **COUNCIL GARAGES** 34

Asbestos has been collected and bagged ready for removal from the garages and surrounding area. Garage 3 has been demolished and the tenant is waiting for the asbestos to be bagged. All the asbestos will be removed at the same time to reduce costs.

# 35 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL

All residents of Heol Ray Gravell have been requested to provide details of covenants, rights of way or easements that may be in their property deeds. Some Land Registry data has been received further information is awaited. A further meeting with a representative of the residents has been held. The possibility of the county council adopting the lane, if it is brought up to an acceptable standard, will be investigated. This matter will be expedited.

### <u>36 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 2011</u>

| 2 | A Hickman | A request to place a bench or Tree as a memorial was considered by members. It was |
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|   |           | agreed to suggest the bench be sited along the Castle River Walk.                  |

### 37 INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS

It was reported that due to the drop in tariffs, the installation would not be economically viable. Other methods of generating green energy will be investigated. Note and **Close** this item.

#### 38 CORRESPONDENCE – APRIL 2012

| 1 | Mr D Maskell | A tree had fallen on a new garage owned by Mr Maskell. He requested a reduction in     |
|---|--------------|--|
|   |              | rent for his garage space to compensate for the cost of repairs. Costs will be sought. |
|   |              | Safety of the remaining trees will be assessed. Liability will be investigated.        |

#### <u>39 TENDERS</u>

#### GL 25

No tenders had been received. The land will be re-advertised.

### 40 PLANNING

#### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF       | ТҮРЕ           | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT       | LOCATION                     | APPLICANT   |
|---|-----------|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|   |           |                |                               |                              |             |
| 1 | S/26512   | Full planning  | Extension & garage conversion | 1 Hillfield Villas, Kidwelly | Tessa Finch |
|   | No obcomu | tions wars mad | la                            |                              |             |

No observations were made.

#### **Planning outcomes**

No outcomes reported

# 41 CORRESPONDENCE – MAY 2012

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

#### 42 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – MAY 2012

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

# 19th JUNE 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

| Present:- | Town Mayor      | J. Gilasbey   |
|-----------|-----------------|---|
|           | Deputy Mayor    | T.Burns   |
|           | Chair           | R.Davies  |
|           | Councillors:    | R.Thomas, G.G.Jones, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd, M.Thomas    |
|           |                 | N.Howell-Jones, L.Finch-Jones H.Jones, B Huws, H.Gilasbey |
|           | Town Clerk      | Geraint Thomas  |
|           | Town Secretary  | Anna Padgett  |
| Apologie  | s - Councillors |   |

Mrs May, former Secretary of the Kidwelly Civic Trust, attended the meeting to express her concerns over the present state of the canal. She gave details of how, many years ago, the trust successfully fought to have the canal restored and explained how it was maintained by annual clearance of reeds. She requested that [1] the banks are cleared [2] self opening hinges are placed on the sluice gate so that water will be retained in the canal [3] seek funding for a restoration project.

Mrs May was thanked for her presentation and for the hard work she, and the Civic Trust had done in the past. It was explained that there are plans to develop the canal area over the next 3-4 years. The RSPB and the Environment Agency are involved, enhancing habitats for wildlife. It was noted that volunteers to do work on the canal have come forward.

#### 82 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012

### 83 CEMETERY

1. Maintenance Outstanding

[a] The extension of the Memorial Garden is now near completion, once the ground has settled paving slabs will be laid. This will be clarified with the contractor.

[b] Five graves are in a dilapidated state and will be made safe by the Council unless further research into the deceased families are made.

[c] The new handrail to be modified in order to accommodate easier access.

[d] Rockery – the rockery needs attention. More appropriate planting or restructuring of the area may be required. A full assessment will be carried out in the springtime.

[e] Dog fouling is an increasing problem. Dogs on leads are allowed in the cemetery but irresponsible dog owners are not clearing up after their animals. A dog waste bag dispenser will be placed in the cemetery. The possibility of making the cemetery "dog proof" to keep out stray dogs will be investigated. Signage will be placed on the gate.

2. Green Burials

Plans for a Green Burial area in the cemetery are being considered.

It was **RESOLVED** to designate a separate section of the town cemetery as a burial place for children. This will be investigated.

# 84 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

The Town Clerk reported that work on Phase 2 was almost complete. However, he detailed many concerns over the standard of work carried out. Meetings have been held with project officers of the county council and the access officer. A list of problems has been compiled – the two most serious are that: access does not even reach minimum requirements with non compliant materials used for surfaces: the yellow gravel used for the car park and paths is being churned up leaving dangerous potholes. The use of this material will be questioned. Future maintenance will be a problem. A further meeting with the project officers and access officer will be arranged. It was noted that the cockle beds are now open. The question of access to the slipway and the positioning and durability of bollards also needs addressing.

### 85 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE

The Town Clerk noted that birds had been falling down the chimney and were flying around the office. The hole has been boarded over. He referred to the summary of the Arolwg Survey of the building. Items 1-3 and 5-7 are outstanding. Debate ensued as to the repairs required. It was **RESOLVED** that members would visit the office to inspect the current state of the building. It was **RESOLVED** to progress to next business.

### 86 COUNCIL GARAGES

Asbestos has been collected and bagged ready for removal from the garages and surrounding area. It was noted that the bags still remain on site. Arrangements will be made for the bags to be removed.

### 87 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL

All residents of Heol Ray Gravell have been requested to provide details of covenants, rights of way or easements that may be in their property deeds. Some Land Registry data has been received further information is awaited. A further meeting with a representative of the residents has been held. The possibility of the county council adopting the lane, if it is brought up to an acceptable standard, will be investigated. This matter will be expedited.

#### 88 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 2011

| 2 | A Hickman | A request to place a bench or Tree as a memorial was considered by members. It was |
|---|-----------|--|
|   |           | agreed to suggest the bench be sited along the Castle River Walk.                  |

#### 89 CORRESPONDENCE – APRIL 2012

| 1 | Mr D Maskell | A tree had fallen on a new garage owned by Mr Maskell. He requested a reduction in     |
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|   |              | rent for his garage space to compensate for the cost of repairs. Costs will be sought. |
|   |              | Safety of the remaining trees will be assessed. Liability will be investigated.        |

### 90 TENDERS

# GL 25

It was **RESOLVED** to accept a tender of £1050 per annum for 3 years.

It was noted that the RSPB have funding in place for fencing part of this land as part of the Landscape Project centred around the three rivers estuary. It was **RESOLVED** to fence the area around GL25 which faces east towards Pembrey and get reimbursement from the RSPB.

It was **RESOLVED** to put to tender GL 6, with the provisor that a section may be used as a re-cycling site.

# 91 PLANNING

### Planning Applications

|   | REF     | TYPE          | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT      | LOCATION                            | APPLICANT   |
|---|---------|---------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
|   |         |               |                              |                                     |             |
| 1 | S/26605 | Full planning | Side utility room extension  | 19 Rhodfa'r Gwendraeth,<br>Kidwelly | Ron Collins |
| 2 | S/26591 | Advertisement | Illuminated signs for garage | Pembrey Road, Kidwelly              | Gravells    |

No observations were made.

#### **Planning outcomes**

| 1 | S/26339 | Interpretation Panel | New Street, Kidwelly | Kidwelly Town | Granted  |
|---|---------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|----------|
|   |         |                      |                      | Council       | 27.03.12 |

#### 92 CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL AREA IN THE TOWN CEMETERY

This matter was considered under Minute 83. Note and Close this item.

#### 93 LITTER BINS

It was **RESOLVED** to purchase a further litter bin to be placed near the first interpretation panel at Glan yr Afon. It was noted that the bin on Castle River Walk had been damaged. This will be repaired if possible.

#### 94 CORRESPONDENCE – JUNE 2012

AndrewMr Jenkins had requested that his lease of GL20 be extended from 5 to 9 years. This matterJenkinswill be considered by the Policy & Strategy Committee. It was **RESOLVED** to accept hisoffer of adopting the maintenance of the Gateway Planter near his rented land. Note and**Close** this item.

# 95 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – JUNE 2012

1. Members were informed of the "Pilgrimage 2012" walk. A 22 day journey across South Wales. It will pass through Kidwelly on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Members were encouraged to promote this event. Note and **Close** this item.

2. Members were informed that new knotweed outbreaks were occurring in Mynydd y Garreg. Notification of this will be made. Note and **Close** this item.

3. Arrangements will be made to weed the tennis courts and kreosote the wooden surrounds. Note and **Close** this item.

4. Flower enhancement – the sub-committee met on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Flowers have been purchased for the War Memorial, Riverside Walk and Gateway planters. 4 hanging baskets will be placed in the Diana Memorial Garden and 4 in Mynydd y Garreg. Volunteers to plant the flowers were requested to meet on the square at 10.00am on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2012. This matter will be considered further at the General Purposes Committee. Note and **Close** this item.

# 10th JULY 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

| Present:- | Town Mayor       | J. Gilasbey  |
|-----------|------------------|--|
|           | Deputy Mayor     | T.Burns  |
|           | Chair            | R.Davies   |
|           | Councillors:     | R.Thomas, G.G.Jones, K.Davies, F.Burke-Lloyd, M.Thomas     |
|           |                  | N.Howell-Davies, L.Finch-Jones H.Jones, B Huws, H.Gilasbey |
|           | Town Clerk       | Geraint Thomas   |
|           | Town Secretary   | Anna Padgett   |
| Apologie  | es - Councillors |  |

**135 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 

There were no declarations of interest.

# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 19th June 2012

#### 136 CEMETERY

1. Maintenance Outstanding

[a] The extension of the Memorial Garden is now near completion, once the ground has settled paving slabs will be laid. This will be clarified with the contractor.

[b] Five graves are in a dilapidated state and will be made safe by the Council unless further research into the deceased families are made.

[c] The new handrail to be modified in order to accommodate easier access.

[d] Rockery – the rockery needs attention. More appropriate planting or restructuring of the area may be required. A full assessment will be carried out in the springtime.

[e] Dog fouling is an increasing problem. Dogs on leads are allowed in the cemetery but irresponsible dog owners are not clearing up after their animals. A dog waste bag dispenser will be placed in the cemetery. The possibility of making the cemetery "dog proof" to keep out stray dogs will be investigated. Signage will be placed on the gate.

2. Green Burials

Plans for a Green Burial area in the cemetery are being considered.

It was **RESOLVED** to designate a separate section of the town cemetery as a burial place for children. This will be investigated.

### 137 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

Problems at the Quay continue:- disabled access, access to the slipway, type of surfaces used, vehicles driving over the landscaped areas and the presence of cocklers. A quotation of £3500 for "sleeping policemen" has been received. The county council project officers are holding internal meetings with the access officer in an effort to resolve these issues. It was noted that councillors should not intervene in confrontations with cocklers.

### **138 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE**

Quotes for the work identified by the Arolwg Survey of the building - Items 1-3 and 5-7 will be requested. The possibility of reducing the number of Utility Meters will be explored. A reduction in commercial rates will be sought as part of the building is unoccupied.

# 139 COUNCIL GARAGES

Asbestos has been collected and bagged ready for removal from the garages and surrounding area. It was noted that the bags still remain on site. Arrangements will be made for the bags to be removed immediately.

# 140 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL

All residents of Heol Ray Gravell have been requested to provide details of covenants, rights of way or easements that may be in their property deeds. Some Land Registry data has been received further information is awaited. A further meeting with a representative of the residents has been held. The possibility of the county council adopting the lane, if it is brought up to an acceptable standard, will be investigated. A report will be presented at the September meeting of the committee.

# 141 LITTER BINS

A litter bin to be placed near the first interpretation panel at Glan yr Afon has been purchased – delivery expected by  $13^{th}$  July 2012. It was noted that the bin on Castle River Walk had been damaged. This will be repaired if possible.

#### 142 CORRESPONDENCE – SEPTEMBER 2011

| 2 | A Hickman | A request to place a bench or Tree as a memorial was considered by members. It was |
|---|-----------|--|
|   |           | agreed to suggest the bench be sited along the Castle River Walk. No further       |
|   |           | correspondence has been received from Mr Hickman. Note and Close this item.        |

#### **<u>143</u>** CORRESPONDENCE – APRIL 2012

| 1 Mr D Maskell | A tree had fallen on a new garage owned by Mr Maskell. He requested a reduction in     |
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|                | rent for his garage space to compensate for the cost of repairs. Costs will be sought. |
|                | Safety of the remaining trees will be assessed. Liability will be investigated.        |

# 144 TENDERS

#### GL 6

It was previously **RESOLVED** to put to tender GL 6. The County Council will use part of the field as a recycling site. Once planning permission has been granted and the area required for recycling has been defined, the tender process can begin.

### 145 PLANNING

#### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF     | TYPE          | PROPOSED          | LOCATION               | APPLICANT    |
|---|---------|---------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------|
|   |         |               | DEVELOPMENT       |                        |              |
| 1 | S/26781 | Advertisement | Illuminated signs | Gravells, Banc Pendre, | Gravells Ltd |
|   |         |               |                   | Kidwelly               |              |

No observations were made.

#### **Planning outcomes**

| 1 | S/26512 | Extension & garage | 1 Hillfield Villas, Kidwelly | Tessa Finch | Granted  |
|---|---------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------|----------|
|   |         | conversion         |                              |             | 21.06.12 |

### <u>146 CORRESPONDENCE – JULY 2012</u>

| DCDD           | The foncing of land at Coodbach March is to go about after a marting with   |  |  |  |  |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| KSFD           | The fencing of land at Coedbach Marsh is to go ahead – after a meeting with landowners and tenants. Note and <b>Close</b> this item |  |  |  |  |
|                | landowners and tenants. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.  |  |  |  |  |
| Wynford Thomas | Concerns have been expressed over land at Waungadog. Mr Thomas will be  |  |  |  |  |
|                | informed that the RSPB is interested in taking over the management of this area   |  |  |  |  |
|                | which is an ideal site for wildlife. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.   |  |  |  |  |
| Cefn Sidan     | The Rotary Club have additional trees available to plant at Glan yr Afon. It was  |  |  |  |  |
| Rotary Club    | agreed that they could do this, subject to cost restraints. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.  |  |  |  |  |
| Vivian Summers | Mr Summers expressed concern over the problems at the Horeb Road housing  |  |  |  |  |
|                | development. It was noted that there is no site manager in position. The Town   |  |  |  |  |
|                | Clerk has requested an urgent meeting with Mr Bowen the county planning   |  |  |  |  |
|                | officer. The Town Council would be in agreement with facilitating a meeting   |  |  |  |  |
|                | between all parties concerned.  |  |  |  |  |
|                | It was noted that the Mayor had not been present at any meeting with the  |  |  |  |  |
|                | developers as alleged in Mr Summer's letter dated 14.04.12. She was in  |  |  |  |  |
|                | attendance, with representatives of the 3 schools, at a meeting regarding "Safe   |  |  |  |  |
|                | Routes to School". This matter falls under the remit of the General Purposes  |  |  |  |  |
|                | committee. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.   |  |  |  |  |
|                | Cefn Sidan<br>Rotary Club   |  |  |  |  |

During discussion on items 1 and 2 above it was noted that the RSPB would like to give a presentation to members to illustrate their plans for these areas. The Heritage Trust has also indicated a wish to give members an update on progress. A presentation evening will be arranged during recess.

# 147 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – JULY 2012

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

# 11th SEPTEMBER 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

| Present:- Town Mayor    | J. Gilasbey                                     |
|-------------------------|---|
| Deputy Mayor            | T.Burns   |
| Chair                   | R.Davies  |
| Councillors:            | R.Thomas, G.G.Jones, F.Burke-Lloyd, M.Thomas    |
|                         | N.Howell-Davies, L.Finch-Jones H.Jones, B Huws, |
| Town Clerk              | Geraint Thomas                                  |
| Project Officer         | Maria McGerty                                   |
| Apologies - Councillors | K.Davies  |

# **194 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr T. Burns declared an interest in the minute 205, correspondence relating to Waungadog.

# Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012

### **195 CEMETERY**

1. Maintenance Outstanding

[a] The extension of the Memorial Garden is now near completion, once the ground has settled paving slabs will be laid. This will be clarified with the contractor.

[b] Five graves are in a dilapidated state and will be made safe by the Council unless further research into the deceased families are made.

[c] The new handrail to be modified in order to accommodate easier access. Note and **Close** this item

[d] Rockery – the rockery needs attention. More appropriate planting or restructuring of the area may be required. A full assessment will be carried out in the springtime.

[e] Dog fouling is an increasing problem. Dogs on leads are allowed in the cemetery but irresponsible dog owners are not clearing up after their animals. A dog waste bag dispenser will be placed in the cemetery. The possibility of making the cemetery "dog proof" to keep out stray dogs will be investigated. Signage will be placed on the gate. Note and **Close** this item

f) The tree behind the bench in the cemetery requires attention.

2. Green Burials

Research into green burial and a separate area for burial for children will be researched by Councillors and reported back to Council.

# 196 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

Concerns were expressed about the outstanding issues at the Quay, the potential for litigation as a consequence of this and the maintenance of the site once the project is finished. It was requested that the Town Clerk contact the County Council for an official response with regards to rectifying the outstanding concerns at the site.

### **197 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE**

Quotes for the work identified by the Arolwg Survey of the building - Items 1-3 and 5-7 will be requested. The possibility of reducing the number of Utility Meters will be explored. A reduction in commercial rates will be sought as part of the building is unoccupied.

Information received regarding the fire risk assessment of 2 Bridge Street indicates that the tenants of the building will need to carry out individual assessments relative to their businesses. The assessor indicated that there were areas of concern in the building and that these will be outlined in a report that will be forwarded to Council in due course.

It was noted by the assessor that 2 Bridge Street would possibly need to be subject to a bat survey, as bats were located in the main building.

# **198 COUNCIL GARAGES**

Asbestos removed from the garages has been removed by a certified contractor and a certificate of removal has been issued. Note and **Close** this item.

# **199 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL**

A report outlining the land ownership of the various parts of Heol Ray Gravell had been circulated. The Town Clerk, Project Officer Chair and Deputy Chair of the Estates Committee met with representatives of the residents on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2012. It was **RESOLVED** in principle to repair the untitled section of road, subject to budgetary provisions and thereafter to work on a maintenance agreement.

# 200 LITTER BINS

A litter bin has been placed near the first interpretation panel at Glan yr Afon. It was noted that the bin on Castle River Walk had been damaged. This will be repaired if possible.

# 201 CORRESPONDENCE – APRIL 2012

| 1 | Mr D Maskell | A tree had fallen on a new | garage owned by Mr Maskell. | Repairs to be carried out to |
|---|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
|   |              | the garage in due course.  |                             |                              |

# 202 TENDERS

#### **GL 6**

It was previously **RESOLVED** to put to tender GL 6. The County Council will use part of the field as a recycling site. Once the work has been completed, the tender process can begin.

A wayleave agreement with Western Power has been signed. New power cables are being laid at Brynhefin Fields – a plan had been circulated.

### 203 PLANNING

### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF     | TYPE          | PROPOSED<br>DEVELOPMENT     | LOCATION                   | APPLICANT          |
|---|---------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
|   |         |               | DEVELOPMENT                 |                            |                    |
| 1 | S/26966 | Full Planning | 2 storey 4 bedroom detached | 35 Bridge Street, Kidwelly | Angela Saunders    |
|   |         |               | property                    |                            |                    |
| 2 | S/26952 | Full Planning | Highway improvement         | Horeb Road                 | Charles Church Ltd |

During the discussion on item 2 the Town Clerk indicated in correspondence with the County planning officer that it was clarified that the building was not to be demolished but that a section of wall on the corner of the road at Horeb Road. Revised plans are available of these plans from the Carmarthenshire County Council.

#### **Planning outcomes**

| 1 | S/26605 | Utility room extension | 19 Rhodfa'r Gwendraeth, Kidwelly | Ron Collins   | Refused 10.07.12 |
|---|---------|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 2 | S/26781 | Illuminated signs      | Gravells, Banc Pendre, Kidwelly  | Gravells Ltd  | Granted 09.08.12 |
| 3 | S/26916 | Utility Room extension | 19 Rhodfa'r Gwendraeth, Kidwelly | Ron Collins   | Granted 24.08.12 |
| 4 | S/26893 | Two dwellings          | 1-2 Penybryn, Mynydd y Garreg    | Sophia Morgan | Granted 07.09.12 |
| 5 | S/26892 | Change of use          | Prince of Wales, Mynydd y Garreg | Gail Cromack  | Granted 06.09.12 |

### 204 RSPB MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Comments were received from the councillors for suggestions for changes to the Memorandum of Agreement these will be forwarded to the Futurescapes Officer, John Clark at the RSPB

# 205 CORRESPONDENCE – AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2012

| 1 | Kevin Madge | Request for representation of 2 members of the Council at a meeting with the leader of            |  |  |
|---|-------------|---|--|--|
|   |             | the Council Mr. Kevin Madge on the 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2012. It was agreed that the Mayor and |  |  |
|   |             | Deputy Mayor be nominated to attend. The Town Clerk would request for more                        |  |  |
|   |             | representation at the meeting - four members and the Town Clerk. Member will be kep               |  |  |
|   |             | informed. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.  |  |  |
| 2 | Cllr Fran   | Copies of the notes made at the Flood Forum were circulated at the meeting, any                   |  |  |
|   | Burke-Lloyd | comments or feedback is to be sent to the Town Clerk or directly to Councillor Burke-             |  |  |
|   |             | Lloyd. Note and <b>Close</b> this item.   |  |  |
| 3 | Waungadog   | Concerns over recent floods on this land and works to correct this issue have                     |  |  |
|   |             | highlighted the need for better husbandry of the tenanted land in the ownership of                |  |  |
|   |             | Kidwelly Town Council. It was agreed to place the issues of tenant's liability and land           |  |  |
|   |             | management this as an agenda item for the next Estates meeting. Note and Close this               |  |  |
|   |             | item.   |  |  |

# **206** ANY OTHER BUSINESS – AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2012 There was no other urgent business. Note and Close this item.

# 9th OCTOBER 2012

At a Meeting of the **ESTATES COMMITTEE** held at Princess Gwenllian Centre, Kidwelly on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

| Present:- Town Mayor  | J. Gilasbey                                     |
|-----------------------|---|
| Deputy Mayor          | T.Burns   |
| Chair                 | R.Davies  |
| Councillors:          | R.Thomas, F.Burke-Lloyd, M.Thomas, K.Davies     |
|                       | N.Howell-Davies, L.Finch-Jones H.Jones, B Huws, |
| Town Clerk            | Geraint Thomas                                  |
| Town Secretary        | Anna Padgett                                    |
| Analogias Councillors |   |

Apologies - Councillors

### 252 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Minute 261 – Councillor F.Burke-Lloyd Minute 262 [1] – Councillor T. Burns

#### Matters arising from the Estates Committee Meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> September 2012 253 CEMETERY

1. Maintenance Outstanding

[a] The extension of the Memorial Garden is now near completion, once the ground has settled paving slabs will be laid. This will be clarified with the contractor.

[b] Five graves are in a dilapidated state and will be made safe by the Council unless further research into the deceased families are made.

[c] Rockery – the rockery needs attention. More appropriate planting or restructuring of the area may be required. A full assessment will be carried out in the springtime.

2. Green Burials

Research into green burial and a separate area for burial for children will be researched by Councillors and reported back to Council.

# 254 KIDWELLY QUAY AREA

Members were informed (via an e-mail from the county council) that remedial works at the quay have been costed at £40k. The original contractor is completing the snagging works ie disabled signs, work to bridges, kerb stones and reflective strips. The cost of the solar gate will be £3500 plus £500 installation.

The Town Clerk will set up an urgent meeting with the county council to seek a solution to the problems at the quay. He will take action to close the quay if it becomes an unacceptable health & safety risk. The Quay and Canal steering group will reconvene and assist in resolving the issues. It was agreed that a solar gate was not a solution. It was noted that anti-social behaviour was not a contributory factor to the problems. Members will consider referring the matter to the Welsh Audit Office as a waste of public funds.

# 255 COUNCIL OFFICES - MAINTENANCE

Quotes for the work identified by the Arolwg Survey of the building - Items 1-3 and 5-7 will be requested. A schedule of works will be compiled and sent to several contractors. The fire risk assessment of 2 Bridge Street had been circulated. The Options Working Group will consider the risk assessment in relation to its request to use the building as a meeting place.

# 256 MAINTENANCE OF HEOL RAY GRAVELL

A report outlining the land ownership of the various parts of Heol Ray Gravell had been circulated. The Town Clerk, Project Officer Chair and Deputy Chair of the Estates Committee met with representatives of the residents on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2012. It was previously **RESOLVED** in principle to repair the untitled section of road, subject to budgetary provisions and thereafter to work on a maintenance agreement.

# 257 LITTER BINS

A litter bin has been placed near the first interpretation panel at Glan yr Afon. It was noted that the bin on Castle River Walk had been damaged. This will be repaired if possible.

# 258 CORRESPONDENCE – APRIL 2012

| 1 Mr D Maskell | A tree had fallen on a new garage owned by Mr Maskell. Repairs to be carried out to |
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|                | the garage in due course.   |

#### 259 RSPB MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Memorandum of Agreement between the RSPB and the Town Council has been signed. The Council looks forward to working with the RSPB in the future. The level of commitment by both parties will be considered further. Note and **Close** this item.

#### 260 TENDERS

#### GL14 -

It was **RESOLVED** to put the above land to tender for a three year period:- offers in excess of £60

### 261 PLANNING

#### **Planning Applications**

|   | REF     | TYPE     | PROPOSED                     | LOCATION                 | APPLICANT    |
|---|---------|----------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
|   |         |          | DEVELOPMENT                  |                          |              |
| 1 | S/27154 | Full     | Double storey side extension | 5 Castle View, Stockwell | Ceri Minchin |
|   |         | Planning |                              | Lane, Kidwelly           |              |

No observations were made.

#### **Planning outcomes**

| 1 | S/27002 | Installation of fencing     | Ysgol Gwenllian, Kidwelly          | CCC             | Granted 13.09.12 |
|---|---------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 2 | S/26975 | Single storey extension     | Rose Villa, Kingswood, Kidwelly    | Geoffrey Wallis | Granted 11.09.12 |
| 3 | S/26966 | 4 bedroom detached property | Rear of 35 Bridge Street, Kidwelly | Angela Saunders | Refused 20.09.12 |

### 262 LAND MANAGEMENT & TENANCY ISSUES

- 1. Flooding at Waungadog Costs for the urgent remedial works carried out are awaited. Heavy plant was used and water conduits were purchased.
- 2. It was **RESOLVED** to register the triangle of land at the junction of Horeb Road and Heol yr Ysgol with the Land Registry. Town council ownership of the land would enable road safety measures to be implemented.
- 3. The feasibility of using part of the old tramway as a "safe route" will be investigated.
- 4. Land south of the canal this was not considered suitable for the safe routes project.

### 263 CORRESPONDENCE – OCTOBER 2012

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

#### **264 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – OCTOBER 2012**

- 1. Coedbach wetlands clearance work at the former washery is causing possible contaminated debris to wash down onto the wetlands. The enforcement officer will be informed.
- 2. Fencing & benches at Cofio Grav. Work will be carried out as soon as possible.