

KIDWELLY TOWN COUNCIL

8th JANUARY 2019

At the meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held at the Council Offices, Kidwelly on Tuesday 8th January 2019

Present	Town Mayor	P.Thompson
	Deputy Mayor	C.Davies
	Councillors	G.Beer, S.Ratty, D.Lloyd-Waterford, C.Peters-Bond, A.Jenkins, J.Gilasbey, L.Jones, J.Mayne, S.Davies C.Peters, J.Bezant
	Town Clerk	V. O'Reilly
	Town Secretary	A Padgett
Apologies	Councillors	T.Burnett, G.Jones

447 MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Matters Arising from the General Purposes Committee Meeting of 4th December 2018

448 RAIL SERVICES AT KIDWELLY

The new rail franchise has been awarded to Keolis Amey. Issues that need to be discuss:-

- to designate Kidwelly as a definite STOP station rather than a REQUEST STOP
- the platform should be made useable by all
- a ticket machine should be installed

It was previously **RESOLVED** to set up a tripartite meeting with Keolis-Amey and Network Rail as soon as possible. The mayor will liaise with Lee Waters AM new transport minister.

449 GREEN WASTE COLLECTION

It was previously noted that the use of wheelie bins for green waste collection is not effective. Terraced housing, with no rear access necessitates residents taking the bins through the houses. The elderly cannot manage the bins. A review of the wheelie bin system has previously been undertaken – green sacks will not be re-introduced. A letter of appeal against the decision has been sent but no response received. A further letter will be sent asking for details of future plans for green waste collection and any pending reviews of the situation.

Further bollards will be placed on the access road to the Quay to deter fly tipping.

The possibility of a communal compost heap will be investigated.

450 KIDWELLY – PLASTIC FREE TOWN

Aberporth has been recognised as a Plastic Free Town. This initiative followed a well documented 5 point plan. It was previously **RESOLVED**, in principle, to adopt this initiative.

451 MOBILE PHONE COVERAGE

Enquiries are being made as to the installation of a mast locally.

452 OPERAT – {Older Peoples External Residential Assessment Tool}

A summary of the scheme had been circulated. It was agreed that a representative from Swansea University be invited to attend council and explain this initiative.

453 DOG FOULING

It was recognised that dog fouling was an increasing problem. Various options for addressing the issue were considered. It was previously **RESOLVED** that:-

1. More signage is needed
2. Burns Pet Nutrition will be requested to help in pet owner education
3. Request the county council to enforce dog fouling control fines

Councillor C.Davies will investigate successful initiatives carried out by other local councils.

454 COUNCILLOR MEET AND GREET

It was felt that the term “Council Surgeries” did not reflect the true nature of the undertaking, sounding more formal than its intention which was to be a casual interaction between councillors and those wishing to speak to them. The first session in October 2018 was very successful. A further session will be held in January 2019 led by Councillors J.Gilasbey and D.Lloyd-Waterford. Councillors J.Mayne and A.Jenkins will attend a session in Mynydd Hall in February 2019.

456 STATUS OF YNGHYD / THE HUB

Ynghyd has now been re-designated and is called Kidwelly Community Hub. It was noted that NI/US is a separate body with no formal constitution but is supported by the Hub.

A wide range of activities are carried out at the Hub which leases the building from a property developer. Volunteers have redecorated the rooms currently occupied and donations of furniture have been received. Further maintenance by the landlord is required, including refurbishment of the utilities. Note and **Close** this item.

County Council Issues –

County Councillor J. Gilasbey had provided a full written report on all matters determined by the County Council.

A request for a passing place on Heol yr Ysgol is being processed. A site visit will be held.

Lack of speed signs near Muddlescwm will be investigated.

The councillor’s next surgery will be held on 26th January 2019 in Kidwelly Rugby Club at 10.30am.

457 CORRESPONDENCE – DECEMBER 2018/JANUARY 2019

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

458 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS – JANUARY 2018

1. It was noted that the Christmas trees, lights and barriers will be removed by the end of next week. Volunteers to take down the Nativity were requested.

2. A preliminary meeting of the Floral Enhancement group has been held. Quotes for flowers will be sought.

Note and **Close** this item.