

CYFARFOD CYFFREDIN O GYNGOR TREF MACHYNLLETH **ORDINARY MEETING OF MACHYNLLETH TOWN COUNCIL**

Gwysir chi i fynychu cyfarfod o Cyngor Tref Machynlleth
yn ystafell Vane Tempest ar **Dydd Llun Mai 22ain 2023** am 6:45yh.

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Machynlleth Town Council
In the Vane Tempest Room on **Monday 22nd May 2023** at 6:45pm.

Agenda	
1.	<u>YMDDIHEURIADAU / APOLOGIES</u> To receive apologies as reported to the Clerk before the meeting.
2.	<u>DATGANIAD O FUDDIANT / DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> To receive any declarations of interest.
3.	<u>CYFRANOGIAD Y CYHOEDD / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u> 20 minutes allowed
4.	<u>ADRODDIAD Y MAER / MAYOR'S REPORT</u> To receive a report from the Mayor
5.	<u>COFNODION / MINUTES</u> To agree the following minutes as a correct record 5.1 Full Council Meeting 24/04/23 5.2 Full Council as Trustee 24/04/23 5.3 Climate Action Committee 03/05/23
6.	<u>MATERION YN DEILLIO / MATTERS ARISING</u>
7.	<u>ADRODDIAD Y CYNGHORYDD SIR / COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT</u> To receive a report from the County Councillor
8.	<u>CYNLLUNIO / PLANNING</u> None
9.	<u>CYLLID / FINANCE</u> To approve invoices for payment.
10.	<u>RHODD GAN SEFYDLIAD Y MERCHED / GIFT FROM THE WI</u> Placed on the Agenda at the request of Councillor Jeremy Paige "Propose that Council accept a kind offer from Machynlleth WI of ten non fruiting cherry trees. That they be stored temporarily in the courtyard of the stables prior to planting in the grounds and that the decision on where to plant them be delegated to the Clerk and Facilities Manager."
11.	<u>COED STRYD MACHYNLLETH / MACHYNLLETH STREET TREES</u> To consider the attached correspondence regarding an amendment to the street tree project.

12.	<u>MYNEDIAD Y PLAS / PLAS ENTERANCE</u>
	To receive an update from the Clerk in relation to the attached correspondence.
13.	<u>TOILEDAU CYHOEDDUS MAES PARCIO HEOL MAENGWYN</u> <u>HEOL MAENGWYN CAR PARK PUBLIC CONVENIENCES</u>
	To receive a written report from the Clerk.
14.	<u>ARCHWILIAD ALLANOL / EXTERNAL AUDIT</u>
	To consider and receive the attached audit certificates.
15.	<u>ADRODDIADAU GAN GYNRYCHIOLWYR AR GYRFF ALLANOL / REPORTS</u> <u>FROM NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES</u>
	To receive report from members representing the Council on outside bodies. Written report of the Cambrian Transport Liaison Committee, supplied by Councillor Michael Williams is attached.
16.	<u>GOHEBIAETH / CORRESPONDENCE.</u>
	16.1 Dylan Jones – Office of the Welsh Language Commissioner. 16.2 Reg Cawthorne – High Sheriff of Powys
17.	<u>ADRODDIAD Y CLERC / CLERK REPORT</u>
	To update Councillors on work carried out and not specifically covered in the Agenda.
18.	<u>GWYBODAETH GAN AELODAU / INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS</u>
19.	<u>EITEMAU I'R RHAGLEN NESAF / ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA</u>
20.	<u>*MATERION STAFFIO / STAFFING MATTERS</u>
	To receive an update from the Chair of the Staffing Committee regarding the recruitment of a new Clerk.
21.	<u>DYDDIAD Y CYFARFOD NESAF / DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING</u> 26/06/2023

* The Chairperson shall propose that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of these items as it is likely that exempt information, as defined in part 4, Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972

COFNODION CYFARFOD CYFFREDIN CYNGOR TREF MACHYNLLETH

Nos Lun Ebrill 24ain 2023 am 6.30pm yn ystafell Vane Tempest yn y Plas

PRESENNOL:

Cyng J Paige (Maer a Chadeirydd y cyfarfod), Cyng A MacGarry, Cyng R.Hughes, Cyng J Honeybill, Cyng K.Bryan, Cyng N.McCarten, Cyng M.Williams a Cyng A.Evans.

YMDDIHEURIADAU: Cyng M.Atkins, Cyng P.Jones, Cyng L.Griffith a Cyng G.Jones

HEFYD YN BRESENNOL:

Dewi Jones (Clerc y Dref)

Nicole Beaumont (Swyddog Gweinyddol a Chyllid - Cymerwr cofnodion)

6 aelod o'r cyhoedd.

1 / PRESENOLDEB AC YMDDIHEURIADAU : Gweler y rhestr uchod.

2 / DATGAN CYSYLLTIAD :

Cyng J.Paige mewn perthynas ag eitem 11 ar yr agenda.

3 / Cyfranogiad y Cyhoedd :

Rhoddodd Rod King ac Anna Semlyen, o'r ymgyrch "20 yw digon", gyflwyniad ar y budd i gymunedau a threfi fabwysiadu cyfyngiad cyflymder cyfyngedig o 20mya.

4/ Adroddiad y Maer:

Adroddodd y Cyng Paige ar ei araith yn yr ŵyl lenyddol a gynhaliwyd yn MOMA yn y Tabernacl ym Machynlleth.

5/ Cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf :

5.1/ Cytunwyd bod cofnodion cyfarfod y Cyngor Llawn a gynhaliwyd ar 27/3/2023 yn gywir (unfrydol).

5.2/ Cytunwyd bod cofnodion cyfarfod y Pwyllgor Cyllid a gynhaliwyd ar 17/4/2023 yn gywir (unfrydol).

5.3/ Gyda newid y gair "Cyllid" i "Cyfleusterau" ar eitem 10, cytunwyd bod cofnodion cyfarfod y Pwyllgor Cyfleusterau a gynhaliwyd ar 17/4/2023 yn gofnod cywir a mabwysiadwyd yr holl argymhellion ac eithrio eitem 3 (Toiledau'r Maes Parcio) a gyflwynir fel cynnig yn eitem 10 y cyfarfod hwn. (unfrydol).

6/ Materion yn codi :

Bydd Eitem 3 o'r Cofnodion Toiledau'r Maes Parcio yn cael ei thrafod yn eitem 10 y cyfarfod hwn.

Derbyniwyd holl argymhellion eraill y Pwyllgorau.

7/ Adroddiad gan y Cyng M.Williams - Cyngorydd Sir :

Cyflwynodd y Cyngorydd Michael Williams ei adroddiad a gwahoddodd gwestiynau.

8/ Cynllunio :

Daeth 2 gais yn rhy hwyr i'r cyngor i'w cynnwys ar agenda'r cyfarfod hwn.

Cyfeirnod y cais: 23/0408/HH

Cyfeirnod y cais: 23/0546/HH

Datganodd y Cyngor eu bod yn cefnogi'r dau gais a gofynwyd i'r Clerc a'r Cadeirydd ystyried y barn honno wrth ymateb fel mater wedi ei ddirprwyo (yn unfrydol).

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MACHYNLLETH TOWN COUNCIL
on Monday April 24th 2023 at 6.30pm in the Vane Tempest room at the Plas

PRESENT:

Cllr J Paige (Mayor and Chair of the meeting), Cllr A MacGarry, Cllr R.Hughes, Cllr J Honeybill, Cllr K.Bryan, Cllr N.McCarten, Cllr M.Williams and Cllr A.Evans.

APOLOGIES : Cllr M.Atkins, Cllr P.Jones, Cllr L.Griffith and Cllr G.Jones

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Dewi Jones (Town Clerk)

Nicole Beaumont (Admin & Finance Officer - Minutes taker)

6 members of the public.

1 / ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES : See list above.

2 / DECLARATION of INTERESTS :

Cllr J.Paige with reference to item 11 of the agenda.

3 / Public Participation :

Rod King & Anna Semlyen, of the "20 is plenty" campaign, gave a presentation on the benefit for communities and towns to adopt a restricted speed limit of 20mph.

4/ Mayor's report :

Cllr Paige reported on his speech at the literary festival held at MOMA in the Tabernacle in Machynlleth.

5/ Minutes of the last meeting :

5.1/ The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 27/3/2023 were agreed as a true record (unanimous).

5.2/ The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 17/4/2023 were agreed as a true record (unanimous).

5.3/ With a change of the word "Finance" to "Facilities" on item 10, the minutes of the Facilities Committee meeting held on 17/4/2023 were agreed as a true record and all recommendations adopted aside from item 3 (Car Park Toilets) which is presented as a motion at item 10 of this meeting. (unanimous).

6/ Matters arising :

Item 3 of the Facilities Minutes, Car Park Toilets will be debated at item 10 of this meeting.

All other recommendations of the Committees were accepted.

7/ Report from Cllr M.Williams - County Councillor :

Councillor Michael Williams presented his report and invited questions.

8/ Planning :

2 applications were brought too late to council to be included in the agenda for this meeting.

Application reference : 23/0408/HH

Application reference : 23/0546/HH

9/ Cyllid :

Penderfynodd y Cyngor dalu anfonebau Ebrill yn unol â'r rhestr a gyflwynwyd (unfrydol).

10/ Heol Maengwyn Car Park Public Conveniences :

Penderfynodd y Cyngor drwy bleidlais fwyafrifol i:

- Lleihau'r effaith ar gyllideb MTC o ganlyniad i ddiffyg ymateb gan Gyngor Sir Powys i'n llythyr o 6^{ed} mis Chwefror – cau'r cyfleuster ar unwaith.
- Rhoi rhybudd i Gyngor Sir Powys o'n bwriad i ddychwelyd yr allweddi o fewn tri mis oni bai y gellir dod o hyd i ateb boddhaol.
- Defnyddiwch y tri mis i ymgynghori â thrigolion y dref a chynnal cyfarfod cyhoeddus ar y mater i geisio dod o hyd i ateb.

11/ The Hen Stablau project :

Cafwyd diweddariad gan y Clerc ar y prosiect ac eglurodd er mwyn derbyn y grant byddai'n rhaid i'r Cyngor gytuno i arwystl cyfreithiol dros yr adeilad am swm y grant pe bai'n cael ei werthu.

Penderfynodd y Cyngor dderbyn y grant yn unol â'r amodau a amlinellwyd ac a ddosbarthwyd fel rhan o'r rhaglen (unfrydol).

Penderfynodd y Cyngor ymhellach i gyflwyno'r Cynghorydd Rwth Hughes i'r CBC fel ein cynrychiolydd ar y bwrdd (unfrydol).

12/ blwch BT yn y dref :

Penderfynodd y Cyngor ysgrifennu llythyr at BT yn gofyn iddynt ganiatáu i'r clwb ieuenctid beintio'r Bocsys BT yn y dref fel sydd wedi'i wneud yn Amwythig. Yn dadlau y byddai'n edrych yn llawer gwell na'r graffiti sydd ar y bocsys ar hyn o bryd (unfrydol).

13/ Maer a Dirprwy Faer:

Atgoffodd y Clerc y Cynghorwyr o'r Cyfarfod Blyneddol fydd yn cael ei gynnal ar 22/5/2022 am 6.30pm ystafell Vane Tempest yn y Plas a gofynnodd iddynt ystyried enwebiadau ar gyfer swydd Maer a Dirprwy Faer.

14/ Adroddiadau gan gynrychiolwyr enwebedig ar gyrff allanol :

Adroddodd y Cynghorwr Ann MacGarry ar gyfarfod cangen Un Llais Cymru Sir Drefaldwyn.

15/ Gohebiaeth :

15.1 : Dewisodd y Cyngor y Cynghorydd N.MacCarten a'r Cynghorydd A.MacGarry i gynrychioli'r cyngor yn nigwyddiad CSP "Cyngor Tref a Chymuned Powys – Amgylchedd a Natur" i'w gynnal ar 14/6/2023 yn y Pafiliwn yn Llandrindod (unfrydol) .

15.2 : Cytunodd y Cyngor yn unfrydol y dylid gwneud darpariaeth yng nghyllideb Blwyddyn Ariannol 2024-25 i ganiatáu archwiliad lechyd a Diogelwch fel yr awgrymwyd (unfrydol).

16/Adroddiad y Clerc :

Adroddodd y Clerc ar ohebiaeth yn ymwneud a charafanau sydd wedi eu parcio ac yn cael eu cynnig ar werth ger yr ysgol, mater oedd wedi ei godi gan Gynghorwyr ac aelodau or cyhoedd. Cyngor Sir Powys yw'r awdurdod priffyrdd ac mae'n gyfrifol am orfodi'r mater.

Adroddodd y Clerc hefyd ar fater gyda llygod mawr ar dir y Plas. Mae'r Cyngor wedi bod yn gweithio gyda chwmni rheoli plâu i ddod â'r problem dan reolaeth ac amlinellodd y Clerc cynllun rheoli plâu integredig i sicrhau nad yw'r broblem yn digwydd eto.

Gofynnodd Clwb Rotari Machynlleth i MTC a'r Plas i wneud y lawnt flaen a'u cyfleusterau ar gael ar gyfer y digwyddiad "Cerdded Ar Draws Cymru" sydd i ddod o Fachynlleth ac yn gorffen yn Nhrefaldwyn.

Penderfynodd y Cyngor dderbyn y dyfynbris ar gyfer monitro ac ar gyfer gorsafoedd rheoli pla ac i'r clerch weithredu ar y cynllun rheoli plâu integredig fel yr amlinellwyd i'r cyfarfod (unfrydol).

Council expressed their support for both developments and asked the Clerk and Chair to bear that in mind whilst responding under delegated authority (unanimous).

9/ Finance :

Council resolved to pay April invoices as per list presented (unanimous).

10/ Heol Maengwyn Car Park Public Conveniences :

Council resolved by majority vote to:

- To minimise the effect on the MTC budget resulting from the lack of a response from Powys County Council to our letter of 6th of February – close the facility with immediate effect.
- Give notice to Powys County Council of our intention to return the keys within three months unless a satisfactory solution can be found.
- Use the three months to consult town residents and hold a public meeting on the matter to try and help find a solution.

11/ The Hen Stablau project :

The Clerk gave an update on the project and explained that in order to accept the grant the Council would have to agree to a legal charge over the building for the grant amount in the event it is sold.

Council resolved to accept the grant in line with the conditions outlined and circulated as part of the agenda (unanimous).

Council further resolved to put forward Councillor Rwyth Hughes to the CIC as our representative on the board (unanimous).

12/ BT boxes in town :

Council resolved to write a letter to BT asking them to allow the youth club to paint the BT Boxes in town as has been done in Shrewsbury. Arguing that it would look much better than the graffiti currently on the boxes (unanimous).

13/ Mayor and Deputy Mayor :

The Clerk reminded Councillors of the AGM which will be held on 22/5/2022 at 6.30pm Vane Tempest room at the Plas and asked them to consider nominations for the post of Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

14/ Reports from nominated representatives on outside bodies :

Councillor Ann MacGarry reported on the Montgomeryshire One Voice Wales branch meeting.

15/ Correspondence :

15.1 : Council selected Cllr N.MacCarten and Cllr A.MacGarry to represent the council at the PCC event “Powys Town and Community Council – Environment and Nature” to be held on 14/6/2023 at the Pavilion in Llandrindod Wells (unanimous).

15.2 : Council unanimously agreed that provision should be made in the FY2024-25 budget to allow a Health and Safety audit as suggested (unanimous).

16/ Clerk Report :

Clerk reported on correspondence relating to caravans parked and being offered for sale near the school, a matter that had been raised by both Councillors and members of the public. Powys County Council are the highways authority and have responsibility for enforcement on the issue.

Clerk also reported on an issue with rats in the grounds of the Plas. The Council have been working with a pest control company to bring the problem under control and the Clerk outlined an integrated pest control plan to ensure the problem does not recur.

Penderfynodd y Cyngor ymhellach i gytuno i'r cais gan y Clwb Rotari a'u "Cerdded Ar Draws Cymru" (unfrydol).

17/Gwybodaeth gan Aelodau :

Dywedodd y Cyng N.MacCarten ei bod wedi cael gwybod nad oedd unrhyw alwad gyhoeddus am brosiectau mewn perthynas ag Arian y Gronfa Ffyniant a Rennir a bod CSP eisoes wedi dyrannu'r arian.

18/ Eitemau ar gyfer yr agenda nesaf :

Lleisiwyd pryderon am gyflwr hen safle Travis Perkins ar Doll Street. Ymddengys nad yw cynllun i adeiladu tai cymdeithasol yn digwydd. Clerc i wahodd cymdeithasau tai i roi sgwrs fer ar eu prosiect ar gyfer y safle hwnnw. Cyng A.MacGarry i roi mwy o fanylion.

Penderfynodd y Cyngor y dylid gwahardd aelodau'r wasg a'r cyhoedd o'r cyfarfod yn ystod y drafodaeth ar yr eitemau a ganlyn gan ei bod yn debygol y byddai gwybodaeth eithriedig, fel y'i diffinnir yn rhan 4, Atodlen 12A, Deddf llywodraeth leol 1972, yn dod i'r amlwg.

19/ Materion staffio :

Mae'r Clerc wedi derbyn swydd Clerc Cyngor Tref Caernarfon gan ei fod yn byw yn y Dref honno. Mynegodd ei ddiolchgarwch i staff a Chynghorwyr am y gefnogaeth wych a gynigiwyd ers iddo ddechrau yn ei swydd.

Penderfynodd y Cyngor ofyn i'r Clerc baratoi hysbyseb ac adolygu'r disgrifiad swydd, ei gylchredeg i gynghorwyr am sylwadau ac yna hysbysebu'r swydd cyn gynted â phosibl, penderfynwyd ymhellach y byddai'r cyngor yn dirprwyo'r grym i drefnu'r cyfweiliadau i'r pwyllgor staffio. (yn unfrydol).

20/ CYFARFOD NESAF Y CYNGOR LLAWN fydd y Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynnyddol ac fe'i cynhelir ar DDYDD LLUN 22nd MAI 2023 am 6.30pm yn ystafell Vane Tempest yn y Plas.

MTC and the Plas were asked by the Rotary Club of Machynlleth that they make the front lawn and their facilities available for the forthcoming "Walk Across Wales" event starting from Machynlleth and ending in Montgomery.

Council resolved to accept the quote for monitoring and for pest control stations and for the clerk to act on the integrated pest management plan as outlined to the meeting (unanimous).

Council further resolved to agree to the request from the Rotary Club and their "Walk Across Wales" (unanimous).

17/ Information from Members :

Cllr N.MacCarten, relayed that she had been informed there was no public call for projects in relation to Shared Prosperity Fund Money and that PCC had already allocated the money.

18/ Items for the next agenda :

Concerns were voiced over the state of the old Travis Perkins site on Doll street. A scheme to build social housing seems to not happen. Clerk is to invite housing associations to give a short talk on their project for that site. Cllr A.MacGarry to give more details.

Council resolved that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following items as it is likely that exempt information, as defined in part 4, Schedule 12A, local government Act 1972, be coming to the fore.

19/ Staffing matters :

The Clerk has accepted the post of Clerk to Caernarfon Town Council as he lives in that Town. He expressed his gratitude to staff and Councillors for the brilliant support offered since he took up post.

Council resolved to ask the Clerk to prepare an advert and review the job description, circulate it to councillors for comment and then advertise the post as soon as possible. It was further resolved that Council would delegate authority to the Staffing Panel to select candidates and arrange interviews (unanimous).

20/ THE NEXT MEETING of the FULL COUNCIL will be the AGM and will take place on MONDAY 22nd MAY 2023 at 6.30pm in the Vane Tempest room at the Plas.

COFNODION CYNGOR TREF MACHYNLLETH FEL YMDDIRIEDOLWYR CRONFA GWADDOL Y PLAS

ar ddydd Llun 24 Mawrth 2023 yn syth ar ôl :

Cyfarfod o'r Cyngor Llawn am 6.30pm yn ystafell Vane Tempest yn y Plas.

PRESENNOL:

Cyng J Paige (Maer a Chadeirydd y cyfarfod), Cyng A MacGarry, Cyng R.Hughes, Cyng J Honeybill, Cyng K.Bryan, Cyng N.McCarten, Cyng M.Williams a Cyng A.Evans.

YMDDIHEURIADAU: Cyng M.Atkins, Cyng P.Jones, Cyng L.Griffith a Cyng G.Jones

HEFYD YN BRESENNOL:

Dewi Jones (Clerc y Dref)

Nicole Beaumont (Swyddog Gweinyddol a Chyllid - Cymerwr cofnodion)

Penderfynodd y Cyngor y dylid gwahardd y wasg a'r cyhoedd o'r cyfarfod yn ystod trafodaeth ar yr eitemau a ganlyn gan ei bod yn debygol y byddai gwybodaeth eithriedig, fel y'i diffinnir yn rhan 4, Atodlen 12A, Deddf llywodraeth leol 1972, yn dod i'r amlwg (Unfrydol) .

1 / PRESENOLDEB AC YMDDIHEURIADAU : Gweler y rhestr uchod.

2 / DATGAN CYSYLLTIAD :

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3ADRODDIAD AR Y GRONFA A GOMISIYNWYD GAN Y CYNGOR TREF :

Cafwyd argymhellion gan Clerc y Dref, yn unol â'r agenda, ar y ffordd orau i symud ymlaen â llywodraethu'r Gronfa'r Plas.

Penderfynodd y Cyngor fabwysiadu'r argymhellion fel yr amlinellwyd ar y rhaglen (Unfrydol).

4/ DYDDIAD Y CYFARFOD NESAF AR DDYDD LLUN 31st GORFFENNAF 2023 yn syth ar ôl y Cyngor Llawn am 6.30pm yn ystafell Vane Tempest yn y Plas.

MINUTES OF MACHYNLLETH TOWN COUNCIL as TRUSTEES of THE PLAS ENDOWMENT FUND

on Monday March 24th 2023 immediately after :

Full Council meeting at 6.30pm in the Vane Tempest room at the Plas.

PRESENT:

Cllr J Paige (Mayor and Chair of the meeting), Cllr A MacGarry, Cllr R.Hughes, Cllr J Honeybill, Cllr K.Bryan, Cllr N.McCarten, Cllr M.williams and Cllr A.Evans.

APOLOGIES : Cllr M.Atkins, Cllr P.Jones, Cllr L.Griffith and Cllr G.Jones

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Dewi Jones (Town Clerk)

Nicole Beaumont (Admin & Finance Officer - Minutes taker)

Council Resolved that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following items as it is likely that exempt information, as defined in part 4, Schedule 12A, local government Act 1972, be coming to the fore.

1 / ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES : See list above.

2 / DECLARATION of INTERESTS :

None

3 / REPORT ON THE FUND COMMISSIONED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL :

Town Clerk gave recommendations, as per agenda, on how to best proceed with the governance of the Endowment Fund.

Council resolved to adopt the recommendations as outlined on the agenda.

4/ DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY 31st JULY 2023 immediately after Full Council at 6.30pm in the Vane Tempest room at the Plas.

MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE ACTION PANEL MEETING OF MACHYNLLETH TOWN COUNCIL
on Wednesday 3rd May 2023 at 5.30pm in the John Edwards room

PRESENT¹:

Cllr A.MacGarry, Cllr M.Williams, Cllr N.McCarten, Mr John Cantor.

1/ YMDDIHEURIADAU/APOLOGIES :

Cllr J.Paige, Andy Rowland, Dewi Jones (Town Clerk)

2/ DECLARATION of INTERESTS :

Ann currently works for Size of Wales who are involved in campaigning about palm oil use in Wales.

3/ MATERION EGNI/ENERGY MATTERS :

We noted that the bid was very well written, thanks to Dewi.

We need to ensure that the new boiler(s) are fit for purpose and that the control system is reviewed so that it can be controlled efficiently to cope with the varied needs of the building use. The controls also need to be easy to use.

4/ BIOAMRYWIAETH/BIODIVERSITY

We approved the Bee Friendly application with some minor additions from Ben Porter.

There will be a Bioblitz on 7 & 8 July. Volunteers will be needed on the day.

5/ Hyfforddiant I gynghorwyr a swyddogion/ STAFF AND OFFICER TRAINING

Norma will apply for the Nature Wise Training. We agreed to forward it to the local community councils for their info (unless it has already gone to them).

We noted that Norma and Ann will attend the conference on 14th June for Powys town and community councillors. Michael won't be free to attend.

6/ MACHYNLLETH FEL CYMUNED HEB OLEW PLAMYDD / MACHYNLLETH AS A PALM OIL FREE COMMUNITY

We agreed this motion –

The council will work towards using only sustainable palm oil and will encourage others in the town to do the same.

7/ GOHEBIAETH PARTHED PWYNTIAU GWFRU CERBYDAU TRYDAN / CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING EV CHARGING POINTS

We decided not to pursue this offer. In the future there will be a need for more charging points but it will need to be well thought through, taking into account grid capacity and speed of charging. At the moment the chargers in the car park seem to be adequate for immediate needs.

8/ DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

5.30pm on Wednesday 21st of June.

¹ Those in bold are voting members of the Panel.

Machynlleth Town Council on Monday, 22nd May 2023.

1. Purpose of this Report:
To report on county council matters.
2. Press/Media Releases (17-4-23 to 2-5-23):
 - 2.1 Consultants appointed to support Newtown Health and Wellbeing campus (17th April):
Plans for the creation of a multi-agency health and wellbeing campus in the centre of Newtown have taken a significant step forward with the appointment of a Cardiff-based construction consultancy to support this important project being progressed jointly by Powys County Council and Powys Teaching Health Board, through the North Powys Welling programme.
Mott MacDonald who have been part of Wales for over 60 years with offices in Cardiff, Newport, Carmarthen and Colwyn Bay; have been commissioned to lead the delivery of the much needed campus on Park Street as well as the procurement of a Supply Chain Partner to deliver the project to completion.
The company will be working closely with Powys County Council's design team to ensure suitable co-ordination with the school part of the campus. The council's team are already working on plans for a new school building for Ysgol Calon y Dderwen.
Plans for the health and wellbeing campus include a new hospital building for Newtown (including an Urgent Care Centre, in-patient beds, a midwife-led birthing unit, more planned care services as well as improved diagnostic equipment), social care and well-being facilities, a new Health and Care Academy working closely with the town's library and a small amount of supported housing.
More information about Mott MacDonald multi-disciplinary consultancy services and projects can be found at www.mottmac.com
 - 2.2 Third case of bird flu identified in area of north Powys (19th April):
A third case of highly Pathogenic Avian influenza HNS1, otherwise known as bird flu, has been confirmed at a premises near Newtown, the county council has said.
A 3km Protection Zone (Avian Influenza), or PZ (A1) has been declared around the infected premises, to limit the risk of disease spread.
Within this zone, bird movements and gatherings are restricted and all holdings that keep birds must be declared. Bird owners within the 3km Protection Zone and the wider 10km Surveillance Zone (SZ) are required to comply with the measures set out in the Appendices to the Declaratory Order, details of which can be found at:
<https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2023-04/declaration-of-a-suspect-case-in-powys.pdf>
Bird owners outside of the PZ and SZ are reminded that despite the lifting of the mandatory housing measures for poultry and captive birds from 00:01 on 18th April 2023, that the Avian Influenza Prevention Zone (AIPZ) will remain in force across Wales until further notice.
This means that all bird keepers in Wales (whether they have pet birds, a commercial or a backyard flock) must until further notice continue to abide by the mandatory biosecurity measures, and complete the mandatory biosecurity self-assessment checklist which can be found at: <https://www.gov.wales/avian-influenza-bird-flu-latest-update>
 - 2.3 Get ready for 20mph (24th April):
Work to prepare Powys roads for the upcoming default 20mph speed limit will begin week commencing 24th April 2023.

On 17th September, the Welsh Government will introduce a default 20mph speed limit on restricted roads across Wales. Restricted roads are generally where street lights are placed no more than 200 yards apart and are usually located in residential and built-up areas with high pedestrian activity.

The move will see Wales become the first UK nation to introduce a lower speed limit following in the footsteps of European countries, such as Spain, where 30km/h (18.5mph) is already in place.

Evidence shows reducing the default speed limit from 30mph to 20mph on these roads, will see a number of benefits including a reduction in road collisions and serious injury, more people walking and cycling and improvements to health and wellbeing.

In preparation for the changes the council will be working to remove some of the existing speed limit markings, or roundels, on the county's roads. Changes to signage will also be programmed, ready for the 17th September start date. Replacement roundels and other signage changes will continue to be introduced after the implementation date.

Further details of the upcoming default 20mph speed limit and which roads will be changing will be available soon.

2.4 Powys County Council customer services review (28th April):

Powys County Council has commissioned a comprehensive review over its delivery of its customer services, with the objective of being able to understand what the people of Powys think of the way the council interacts with its customers, find out what problems the public and businesses have faced when contacting the council, and to obtain suggestions as to how they would like to interact with the council in the future. The information collected will allow the council to develop new improved models of customer service delivery.

The council has commissioned a consultancy company, BetterGov to help the council with this review and in turn DJS Market Research will be surveying members of the public by telephone or speaking to them in public spaces to obtain their views.

Should you be contacted or approached by DJS Market Research then Powys County Council would appreciate you taking the time to provide your views, as they are valuable to us. Surveys are expected to run until the 21st of May 2023.

2.5 Council makes it easier for smaller firms to bid for contracts (2nd May):

A new procurement system, making it easier for contractors to apply for building contracts, has now been completed, the county council has said.

The council's new Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) is designed to make it easier for small and medium-sized businesses to take on minor construction projects costing between £50,000 and £500,000, with the aim to provide a more accessible and simplified route to tender for works.

So far, 17 contractors have been successful in applying to the DPS, allowing them to receive notifications of exclusive opportunities to bid for works. These may include works within council owned properties including housing and corporate buildings including schools, libraries, leisure centres, care homes, day centres.

Contractors who are interested in applying to the DPS can do so at any time. They will need an SSIP third party Health and Safety registration, be Constructionline registered to a minimum of Level 2 (Silver) status with relevant work categories and have appropriate levels of insurance.

More information can be found through the Welsh Government Sell2Wales website or you can contact commercialservices@powys.gov.uk where a member of the team will be able to assist.

If you wish to find out more about the DPS, or to discuss requirements for lower value works, please email commercialservices@powys.gov.uk or contact: Claire Davies on 01597 827686 or Garry Leatherland on 01597 826081.

3. Portfolio Holders' Decision about Machynlleth Library and Ysgol Bro Hyddgen on 2nd May 2023.
- 3.1 Decision by County Councillor Pete Roberts Cabinet Member for a Learning Powys and County Councillor David Selby Cabinet Member for a More Prosperous Powys.
 1. That the school project continues without the inclusion of the town library – this will enable the project to move on to the procurement stage with a clear scope and critical path.
 2. Given the significant financial pressures facing the council, that further consideration is given to the provision of the most cost-effective library service withing the town of Machynlleth.
4. Press/Media Releases (11-5-23 to 11-5-23):
- 4.1 Glyndwr's Way – vital path improvements bring benefits to all (11th May):

May is National Walking Month, a great time to discover the many walking routes of Mid Wales. Among them is Glyndwr's Way, a 135-mile (217km) long National Trail, where walkers can enjoy the very best of Mid Wales – open moorland, rolling farmland, woodland and forest. Starting in Knighton and ending in Welshpool, this trail is famous for its remoteness and spectacular views.

Helen Tatchell is Glyndwr's Way's National Trail Officer and is responsible for the management of the path which includes surveying and managing improvements. Among the improvements undertaken this year, contractors have constructed a new aggregate path alongside a very busy stretch of highway, the B4518 Llanidloes to Staylittle road.

The works were carried out by a local contractor with the minimum of disruption to users of the trail and local traffic, and was funded by Welsh Government and Natural Resources Wales.

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County/Town Councillor J. Michael Williams.
May 2023.

List of Invoices For Payment
17th April to 11th May 2023
Correct to end of day on 11/5/2023.

Dyddiad Talu / Payment Date	Enw / Name	Rhif TAW / VAT Number	Llinell Gyllidol / Budget Line	Manylion / Particulars	Swm / Amount	Sylwadau / Observations	O dan pa rym y gwnaethpwyd y gwariant / spent under which local government power.
Paid by Direct Debit							
03/04/2023	Shire Leasing			cloud voice telephone system	£ 407.78		
03/04/2023	SEFE Energy			gas usage (Feb)	£ 2,848.92		
20/04/2023	SEFE Energy			gas usage (March)	£ 2,918.82		
25/05/2023	Castell Howell Foods Ltd			food supplies for café	£ 5,557.56		
12/04/2023	Rjo42			food supplies for café	£ 1,415.28		
29/04/2023	SSE Southern Electric			Plas electricity usage (March 2023)	£ 1,526.74		
29/04/2023	SSE Southern Electric			Plas electricity usage (April 2023)	£ 1,596.81		
21/04/2023	BNPParibas			coffee machine leasing (21/5-26/6/2023)	£ 221.83		
01/05/2023	Xero			software & technical support	£ 39.60		
05/05/2023	Harren Dyfrdwy			water usage Plas (Nov.22 to March 2023)	£ 1,392.30		
09/05/2023	Total Energies			electricity usage CarPark loos (April)	£ 511.67		
09/05/2023	Total Energies			electricity usage Clock Tower (April)	£ 35.34		
09/05/2023	Total Energies			electricity usage Hen Stablau (April)	£ 6.93		
09/05/2023	Total Energies			electricity usage Remembrance Garden loos (April)	£ 7.25		
09/05/2023	Total Energies			electricity usage Market pillar (April)	£ 184.50		
Paid under delegated powers before council meeting on 22/5/2023							
01/05/2023	BT			comms/internet services	£ 304.80		
To be authorised for payment on 23/5/2023							
30/4/2023	The Store			various for maintenance	£ 44.63		
4/5/2023	Charles Stores Ltd			new mower for Plas grounds maintenance	£ 3,100.00		
19/4/2023	Initial			janitorial supplies	£ 217.85		
19/4/2023	CPC Pest Control			rodent control around the Plas and grounds	£ 880.00		
17/4/2023	George & Tornos			Hen Stablau architects	£ 5,298.12		
19/4/2023	Charlie Falzon			Hen Stablau project manager	£ 3,383.12		
18/4/2023	Travis Perkins			various for maintenance	£ 47.02		
15/5/2023	Amazon			various for grounds maintenance	£ 87.90		
15/5/2023	Amazon			tools for grounds maintenance	£ 11.99		
15/5/2023	Amazon			stationery items	£ 12.05		
30/4/2023	LAS recycling			waste disposal/recycling	£ 427.80		
29/4/2023	WR Partners			April payroll processing	£ 162.00		
TOTAL					£ 32,648.61		

Cyfrlogau / Wages

Mis / Month	Enw / Name	Swm / Sum
	April wages	£ 13,730.76

Cyfraniadau Pensiwn / Pension Contributions

	Enw / Name	Swm / Sum
	April payroll PCC Pens	£ 3,695.06

Cyfraniadau HMRC / HMRC Contributions

	Enw / Name	Swm / Sum
	April payroll PAYE	£ 2,573.93

total income £ 127,155.54
total expenditure -£ 52,138.36
var +/- £ 75,017.18

Incwm / Income

Gan Bwy / From

Swm / Sum (£)	
£ 275.00	allotments
£ 90.00	bar bookings in hall
£ 8.15	Barclays Loyalty rewards
£ 1,558.30	buffets & functions
£ 3,050.08	café cash takings
£ 30.00	equipment hire
£ 613.00	ground/land rents & leases
£ 907.50	hall hires
£ 1,660.00	market stall fees
£ 2,482.00	Office rentals
£ 105,636.60	Precept FY2023-24 1st tranche
£ 29.50	printing/postage/photocopying service
£ 3,420.67	recharges to tenants
£ 1,166.00	room hires
£ 6,228.74	Worldpay & Amex café credcard takings
TOTAL £ 127,155.54	ALL income as at end of day on 11/5/2023

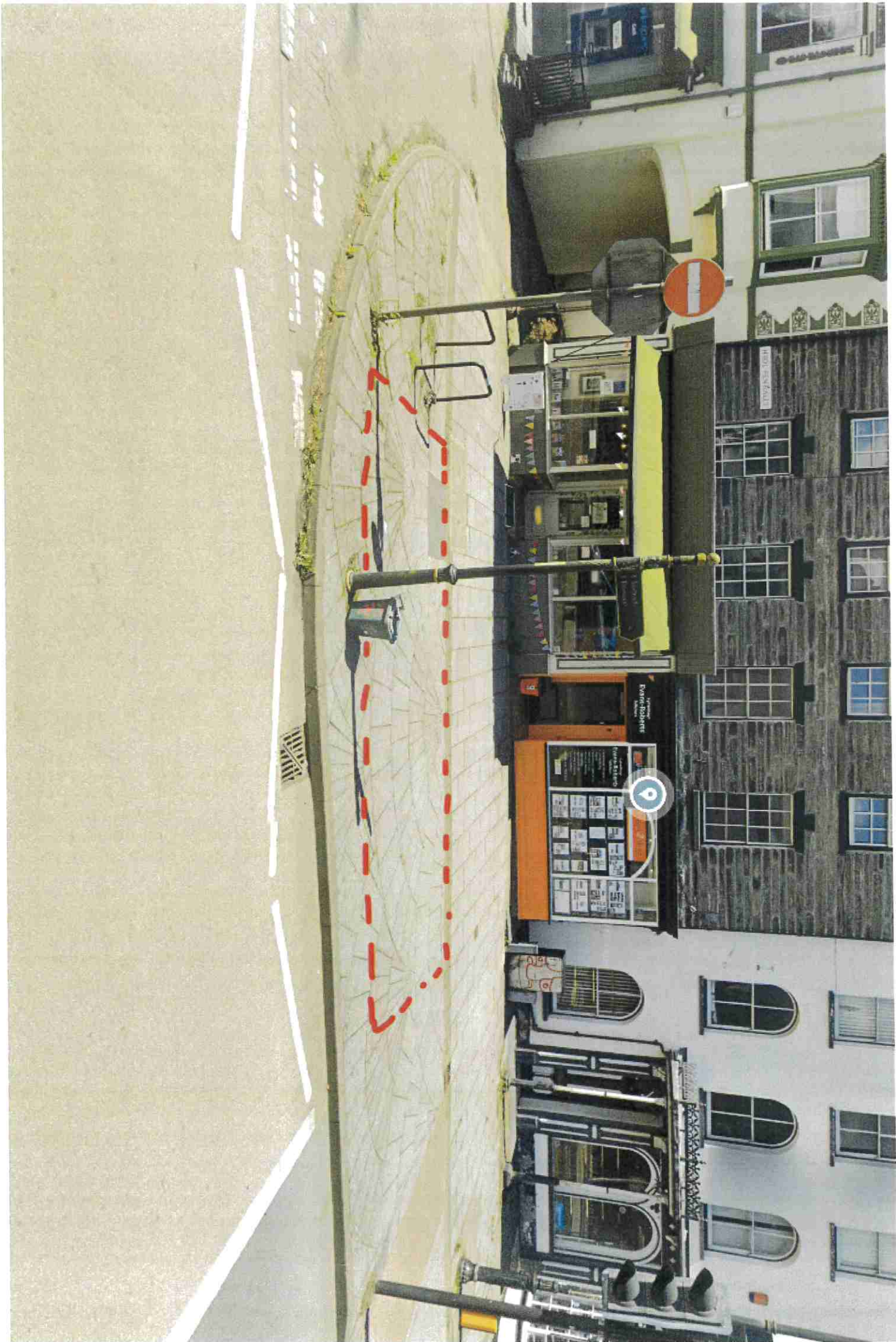
MTC Town Clerk

From: Daniel Baynham >
Sent: 11 May 2023 12:18
To: MTC Town Clerk
Subject: RE: FW: Machynlleth Street Trees

Hi Dewi,

Our contractor should currently be working on the tree pits either side of the clock where there are some quite large hardstanding areas particularly the north side of the clock on the A487. We had a walk over the site last week and it was suggested we could do something here to 'green' it up a bit such as an area of planting or rain garden rather than reinstating it with slabs but before putting forward some ideas we wanted to check if you knew of any reasons this area needed to be retained as slabs? Anything special about it that might get objection from the public? Is it an idea the Town Council would entertain?

I've attached a picture below showing the largest area that was suggested but there is a similar smaller one the other side of the clock



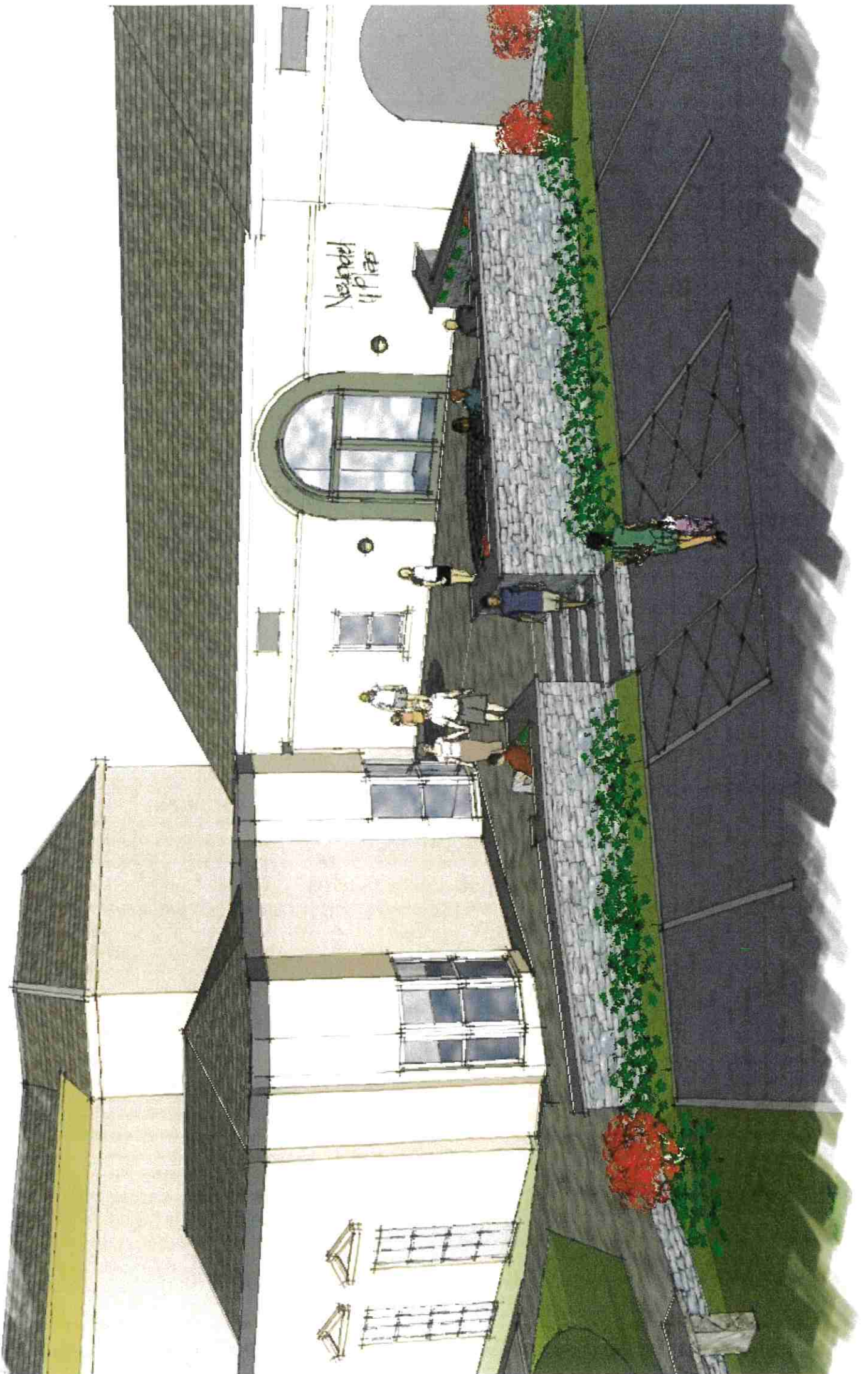
Agenda.

Proposal is to make the community centre accessible through one door as shown on the attached 3d images.

With a safe area for gathering, waiting etc.

Inside, the only proposal is to make the bar area into a community kitchen. This has been discussed with Julie and we both think it would be a real community asset for times when the cafe is closed.

To confirm that TC would be happy to manage funds coming in and paying out to contractors. The contractor, architect and Machfringe would organise the building work. TC would need to have some involvement in managing access for a short period.



Committee	Full Council
Subject	Heol Maengwyn, Public Conveniences.
Date	22/05/23
Author	Town Clerk

Following the decision of the Town Council (FC 24/4/23, Item 10)

"Council resolves

- To minimise the effect on the MTC budget resulting from the lack of a response from Powys County Council to our letter of 6th of February – close the facility with immediate effect.
- Give notice to Powys County Council of our intention to return the keys within three months unless a satisfactory solution can be found.
- Use the three months to consult town residents and hold a public meeting on the matter to try and help find a solution."

The engagement from Powys County Council has improved markedly since the resolution on 24th of April. I held a meeting with a senior officer on 3rd of May and that same officer attended our public meeting on the 10th.

A letter (attached) was sent to Powys on 5th of May informing them of our decision to hand back the keys on August 5th unless a substantive response, acceptable to the Town Council was received before that date.

At the public meeting Powys County Council committed to pricing up some substantial improvements to the toilet block and applying on behalf of the Town Council for a grant to carry out those works. The intention of the works will be to minimise utility bills through installation of solar panels, secure the income from the facility by fitting steel vending doors and renovate the inside to make vandalism less likely.

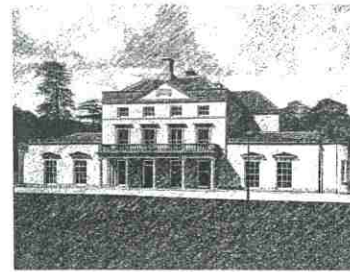
It is likely that in return Powys will expect the Town Council to commit to a full asset transfer or a long term lease on the facility.

In the short time between the public meeting and the writing of this report, there has as yet been no progress with the grant application and the clerk therefore makes the following recommendation to Council.

Recommendation

That the notice to hand back the keys remain in force until such a time as a fully costed and funded proposal for the renovation along with a legal document such as a lease, outlining the commitments of both the Town Council and Powys County Council can be presented to the Town Council for consideration.

That in the meantime, the Clerk continues to impress on officers of the County Council the necessity of a rapid resolution.



CYNGOR TREF MACHYNLLETH TOWN COUNCIL

Mr
Powys County Council
Powys County Hall
Spa Road East
Llandrindod
LD1 5LG
Via email

5th May 2023

Dear Mr

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me on Wednesday. Further to our conversation I have to inform you that Machynlleth Town Council at a meeting on 24th of April 2023 resolved as follows with regards the toilets on Heol Maengwyn car park.

- **To minimise the effect on the MTC budget resulting from the lack of a response from Powys County Council to our letter of 6th of February – close the facility with immediate effect.**
- **Give notice to Powys County Council of our intention to return the keys within three months unless a satisfactory solution can be found.**
- **Use the three months to consult town residents and hold a public meeting on the matter to try and help find a solution.**

Please accept this letter as notice of our intention to return the keys to you on 5th of August unless a substantive response to our letter of 6th of February is received and provides a way forward that is agreeable to the Town Council. Please also forward me the details that I should provide to the utility companies as responsible should we vacate the building.

Thank you again for the way you have engaged with the problem since the resolution of the Town council and as discussed at our meeting, I hope that this letter proves only a technical necessity and that you will bring to our public meeting on the 10th a solution that allows the toilets to remain open.

We discussed that you might be able to find a way to improve the provision with secure steel doors or a full length turn style were fitted to secure the income from the toilets and anti vandal toilets fitted to lessen the costs incurred through vandalism.

Yours sincerely

Dewi Jones
Clerc/Clerk
Cyngor Tref Machynlleth Town Council

Y Plas, Heol Aberystwyth Road, Machynlleth, Powys, SY20 8ER

Telephone : 01654 702 571

e-mail : town-clerk@machynlleth-tc.gov.uk

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Machynlleth Town Council

Auditor General's report

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- is not consistent with the Council's governance arrangements; and
- that the Council does not have proper arrangements in place to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources.

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I draw the Council's attention to the following matters and recommendations which do not affect my audit opinion but should be addressed by the Council.

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The proforma Annual Governance Statement sets out the minimum standards of good governance that the Council should adopt. I draw attention to the Council's negative responses to each of the assertions. On the basis of the action already taken by the Council to address the deficiencies it identified, I have concluded that no further report is required. However, the Council needs to ensure that it addresses all the deficiencies it has identified. I will follow up on the Council's progress at future audits.

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CAMBRIAN TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE MINUTES

of a meeting held on
Friday 12th May 2023 at 11.45am at
The offices of Aberystwyth Town Council Baker Street Aberystwyth
or by zoom and in person

Present were:

Cllr Trevor Roberts
Cllr Michael Williams
Robert Robinson
Gail Jones
Thomas Roberts
Claire Williams
Ann Alias
Cllr Jeremy Barnes
John Eddison
Angus Eickhoff
Ken Law
Cllr Chris Lemon
Wendy Lewis
Cllr Jeff Smith
Cllr Eryl Jones-Williams
Cllr Andrew Wallbank
Cllr Alun Williams
Cllr Dylan Wilson-Lewis

Chair
Vice Chair Powys County & Machynlleth Town Council
Secretary Llanfair Caereinion Town Council
Transport for Wales
Network Rail
Cambrian Rail Partnership
Ceredigion County Council
Carno Com Council & Carno Station action group.
Carno Station Action Group
SARPA
Welshpool Station Facebook Users Group
Shrewsbury Town Council
Welshpool Town Council
Aberystwyth Town Council and SARPA
Chair Cambrian Coast Conference and Gwynedd CC
Caersws Community Council
Ceredigion County Council & Aberystwyth Town Council

Apologies received from:

Cllr Richard Church
Paul Hinge
Cllr Anne Lloyd-Jones
Chris Wilson
Andrew Wood
David Wyke

1. Welcome by the Chair

The meeting received a welcome from the Chair.



CAMBRIAN TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The meeting considered and approved the minutes of the last Cambrian meeting subject to including 'access to the new shelter at Welshpool' and Welshpool station adoption.

3. Actions since last meeting

The meeting noted the actions taken since the last meeting.

The secretary expressed some concern that many items are on the agenda very often with little resolution to the issues by the rail operators.

4. Closure for works

To note the closure of the lines for trackwork as follows:

Main line

From 5th to 22nd May – no trains Shrewsbury to Machynlleth.

Coastline

Barmouth Bridge works – in autumn.

Bus replacement

There are no replacement bus timetables at stations as TFW policy, they are only available on the app. The meeting was unhappy about this as the app is only one method of communication. The secretary is take up publicity of replacement bus timetables at a higher level.

5. Cambrian Main Line

The meeting received an update from Gail Jones of Transport for Wales.

The matters raised were:

- i) The lack of bus replacement information (see above).
- ii) The issues with train running continue.
- iii) Lack of bi-lingual announcements on trains along the Cambrian Lines.
- iv) Audibility of announcements on trains is varied with some good and some poor.
- v) Station audit (General and Dementia) – some work is continuing on this.
- vi) Meetings regarding the audit and Welshpool Station with TFW have still not taken place, Gail Jones is to chase these for an early date.
- vii) The footbridge and maintenance/gritting/cleaning at Welshpool – a further meeting between the owners of the bridge is take place this month to try and resolve the issues.

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CAMBRIAN TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE

Cont....

Gail Jones will

The meeting received an update from Network Rail.

6. Cambrian Coast Line

The meeting received an update from Gail Jones of Transport for Wales.

The matters raised were:

- i) The lack of capacity along the line, this is being worked on at present.
- ii) The length of trains and platform length.
- iii) The need for bus replacement service timetables well in advance.

7. Cambrian Rail Partnership

The meeting received an update and news from the Cambrian Rail Partnership. (the newsletter was circulated to all members prior to the meeting).

The main points of note included:

- i) The partnership has a new logo and map – the logo being chosen by the public.
- ii) Pocket timetables continue to be printed.
- iii) Small grants scheme (up to £1,500)
- iv) Newtown Station – possible use of station building – maybe with ticket sales.

The search for a new Chair continues with no appointment made. Anyone interested should contact Claire Williams.

8. New timetables December 2023

To consider the implications of the new timetables due to commence December 2023 – considering the Ministers and TFW statements that the ERTMS stock will only serve the Cambrian Lines.

The issues of concern to the group are:

- i) The timetable with split trains at Shrewsbury when a train from Birmingham International arrive and divides to Holyhead and the Cambrian Lines. The current timetable proposed does not appear to allow time for splitting the train.



CAMBRIAN TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE

- ii) The 197 units take longer to divide and couple up than others due to technology.

Network Rail agreed to meet the Chair and Secretary to explore the issues.

Confirmation was given that there will be more line closures over the next two years on the Cambrian Lines for essential track works.

9. Update on Carno Station

The meeting received an update on any progress with regards to Carno Station re-opening. A letter had been received that morning from Welsh Government confirming more news in the next month.

10. Station Audits

The meeting received an update on station audits (both dementia and general) There is work progressing on the audits, more news will be published when we are able to.

11. Surveys

The meeting considered the document regarding surveys for 2023 and 2024 after the new train services are introduced.

The number of train services to be included in the survey will depend upon volunteers. An appeal for help will be issued in the next month.

12. Other matters

12.1 Carnarvon – Bangor line

The meeting noted the petition regarding the re-opening of this line. Due to the number of signatures received this will now be discussed at the Senedd.

12.2 Steam along the coast with ERMS

The subject of some steam engines in the UK now being fitted with signalling systems were raised. The Coast has been writing to Welsh Government on this subject. This committee will monitor progress but take no action at this time.

12.3 Welshpool Station improvements

Discussions on the subject will continue soon. Any proposals would come to this committee for full discussion before being taken forward. The rail authorities will then further discussions through the executive.

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CAMBRIAN TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE

12.4 Information

The secretary agreed to issue a regular update to the meetings on activities so members are up to date. Any relevant news on Coast Line from the Cambrian Conference should be passed to the secretary for inclusion.

13. Dates of future meetings

The meeting noted the date of the next meeting as follows:

North Wales /Cambrian Transport – Friday 14th July 2023 at 10.30am

North Wales Transport – Friday 6th October 2023 at 10.30am by zoom.

Cambrian Transport – Friday 13th October 2023 at 11.45am

North Wales/Cambrian Transport – Friday 10th November 2023 at 10.30am to consider the survey reports.

14. Actions to be taken forward

The following actions are to be taken forward:

No	Action	By
1	Issue minutes in draft and publish on the website.	R Robinson
2	Meeting with Network Rail on timetables to be arranged.	R Robinson, T Roberts and T Roberts
3	Meetings on station audits and Welshpool Station to be actioned.	Gail Jones
4	Updates to be introduced.	R Robinson
5	Discussions on Welshpool Station footbridge to be completed.	Gail Jones
6	Survey to be taken forward.	R Robinson
7	Issue of replacement bus timetables to be taken forward.	R Robinson

15. Website

The website is at northwalesassociation.org.uk

There is a new website at design stage which will come forward over the coming few months.



16.1

Comisiynydd y
Gymraeg
Welsh Language
Commissioner

Dewi Jones
Clerc Cyngor Tref Machynlleth

Trwy e-bost: town-clerk@machynlleth-tc.gov.uk

09/05/2023

Annwyl Dewi,

Cynllun iaith Gymraeg Cyngor Tref Machynlleth

Ysgrifennaf atoch i'ch hysbysu nad yw Comisiynydd y Gymraeg wedi cymeradwyo eich Cynllun Iaith Gymraeg.

Fel y gwyddoch, ac fel yr ydym eisoes wedi trafod, dileu cymal 11.1 sydd yn gyfrifol am hyn. Nid oes modd i'r Comisiynydd gymeradwyo Cynllun Iaith Gymraeg sy'n caniatáu i sefydliad gynnal ei gyfarfodydd yn Saesneg yn unig. Gofynnwn felly i chi ail feddwl a thrafod ymhellach os oes modd cynnwys y cymal coll hwn.

Yn y cyfamser, mae'r Comisiynydd yn falch iawn eich bod wedi cytuno gweddill y cynllun sydd eisoes wedi cynyddu'r defnydd o'r Gymraeg o fewn y Cyngor. Mae'r Comisiynydd yn eich annog i'w fabwysiadu fel polisi iaith mewnol ond yn amlwg heb ei chymeradwyaeth hi.

Hoffai'r Comisiynydd ddiolch i chi am eich gwaith yn ystod y cyfnod, a gobeithio y gallwn gytuno ar y cynllun llawn yn fuan.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir,

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MTC Town Clerk

From:
Sent: 06 May 2023 16:40
To: town-clerk@machynlleth-tc.gov.uk
Subject: High Sheriff of Powys

Dear Mr Jones,

I have recently taken up my appointment as High Sheriff of Powys.

As well as supporting the Crown, the Police and emergency services, the courts and probation and prison services, I am looking to reach out into local communities in Powys and recognise local people and voluntary groups who are making a difference to people's lives in our County.

To this end I would appreciate hearing from you as to any people or groups within your area who should be recognised, and who I, on behalf of those who have benefitted from their kindness and support, can meet and thank them.

Yours sincerely,

Reg Cawthorne
Uchel Siryf Powys
High Sheriff of Powys

