

Minutes of Extra General Meeting of the Town Council held for the consideration of funding for a proposed press article initiated by the Chamber of Trade on Thursday 26th April 2018 at 7pm at the Mayors Parlour.

Present ; Cllrs Frank Connor Hughes, Sue Allen, Barry Chapman, Rob Morgan and Len Shipton

1. **Apologies** - Cllrs Raymond Jones, Jane Owen Edwards, Ron Jenkins MBE, Tanya Croston-Evans, Gabriella Poore, Bentley Evans
2. **Declaration of Interest** – None declared
3. **Balances – Current account £11233.98**
Deposit account £3003.45

Carmarthen Journal Article

Cllr Chapman proceeded to outline that a Town Promotion article would be published by the Chamber of Trade with advertisements from a number of businesses. Cllr Shipton asked around the article and Cllr Allen stated that there was no information to look at and that it was very rushed with no opportunity for all businesses /community groups to have time to produce proofs or consult their committee. Cllr Allen was unclear about what was actually being asked of WTC without any information from the Chamber of Trade or who was actually producing the editorial

Cllr Allen also said she believed that Cllr Chapman, as Chair of Chamber of Trade had a personal interest as did Cllr Connor Hughes Cllr Connor Hughes did not agree that he had a personal interest. He stated that he had written a piece as Mayor and later that he had also written the editorial himself. Cllr Chapman had written editorial as Chair of Chamber of Trade.

Cllr Allen felt that the meeting was not quorate to make a lawful decision about whatever was being requested as she thought that there was personal interest involved. Cllr Morgan enquired as an advertiser if he had a personal interest.

Cllr Shipton and Morgan left the meeting. Cllr Connor Hughes followed and returned after five minutes.

Cllr Connor Hughes and Cllr Chapman then provided copies of the proposed editorial for comment

No decision was made

The meeting closed at 7:45pm/