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Minutes of Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 3rd March 2014 at the Mayor's Parlour.

Present – Cllr Neil Jenkins (Chair), Cllr Bentley Evans (Mayor), Cllrs Sue Allen, Dave Randell, Len Shipton, Emma Haycocks, Jane Owen-Edwards, Rob Morgan, Tanya Croston-Evans, Ron Jenkins MBE. One member of Public

Chair welcomed visitors and two new Cllrs

The meeting commenced with a presentation by Mr Reg Wyeth of the QT Club. This is a local support group for fun and entertainment. It is aimed at people with all stages of dementia, including their partners/carers. Any visitors to the events are welcome. Reg explained that dementia is not discussed but there was information and signposting available if people needed assistance. The Chair thanked Mr Wyeth for his talk.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Apologies- Mr Raymond Jones
2. Declarations of Interest – None declared
3. Receive minutes of the February meeting – Resolved that the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 3rd February 2014 be signed as a correct record
4. Bank account balances – Current account £ 2,306.36
Deposit account £ 5,171.32

Invoices for consideration:-

Clerk's Salary and expenses –	£361.76
Special Meeting expenses	£ 25.00
Postages	£ 28.80
Heat & Light	£ 50.00
Stationery	£ 10.76
Eric Hughes – Pocket Park -	£227.91
John Lewis – General Handyman – no hours	
AMJ Print – Letterheads	£ 25.00
Whitland Memorial Hall – Hire	£ 25.00

5. Correspondence –
 - a) Letter from CCC regarding co-option of New Town Councillors – Resolved to adopt the correct process.
 - b) Letter from Whitland Town Hall – THMC confident that their Management and Trusteeship issues are resolved. **NOTED**
 - c) Notice of Temporary Road Closure – Whitland Abbey
 - d) Notice of Temporary Road Closure – Whitland Level Crossing
 - e) Quotation re CCTV system – Clerk to contact various CCTV companies for quotes regarding renewing the Maintenance Contract and enhancement of the existing system.. Guidance from Police CCTV advisor to be accepted.
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 - f) Letter requesting Financial Aid – Cruse Bereavement Charity - Donation of £50 agreed

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- g) Letter requesting Financial Aid – Domestic Abuse Service – Donation of £50 agreed
 - h) Letter requesting Financial Aid – Prism – No funding
 - i) Letter requesting Financial Aid – Victim Support – Donation of £50 agreed
 - j) Letter requesting Financial Aid – RABI – Donation of £50 agreed
 - k) Donation of £100 agreed following talk by Reg
 - l) Letter from One Voice Wales – renewal of Membership – agreed to renew membership at a cost of £237.00
 - m) Paperwork re renewal of Lease Pocket Park – Signed by Chair and Clerk
 - n) Courses for Councillors – One Voice Wales – List of courses to be sent to Councillors via E mail **CLERK**

6. Planning matter/s –

- a) W/29550 – Erection of an Ancillary, Linked Rear Granny Annex – Middleway Farm, Ciffig for Mrs H M Cunningham – **Consultation**
- b) W/29456 – Garage at Maesybryn, North Road for Mr & Mrs H Jennings **Granted**
- c) W/29613 – Extension and Alteration, Rainbows , Spring Gardens for Mr & Mrs G Hall- **Consultation**
- d) W/29611 – Rear Ground Floor and 1st Floor extension 4 Market Street for Miss Janet Stephenson – **Consultation**

No matters arising from these planning applications – all Noted

7. Other Matters

- a) Car Park Licence - Cllr Sue Allen gave an update on the negotiations for further parking in the Town near the centre and cattle market
- b) Double Yellow Lines – These will be implemented shortly by the school and soon by the cattle market pavement. This is hoped to safeguard a route to the Town for potential footfall from the cattle market.
- c) Co-option of new Council members – Resolved to support the co-option of a further Cllr, Mr Rob Morgan, following previous advertisements.
- d) Solar project and Community Benefit monies – **Resolved that Standing Orders be suspended from 8.05pm to 8.30 pm** in order to include the public in a lengthy discussion. Problems that are happening with the building of the Solar Park were highlighted by Councillors. **Resolved** that the Clerk contact Planning Enforcement Officer regarding the following:-
 - a) Increased height of pillars holding panels
 - b) Various H/S/nuisance issues regarding lorries and workmen on site
 - c) Length of working day
 - d) Screening plan – as panels will now be higher does this mean that the screening will be higher
 Councillors requested that a Special Public meeting be held regarding the above on Wednesday 19th March at 7pm – Clerk to organise and highlight to the Community
 Clerk to enquire again regarding handover of the Community benefit **CLERK**
- e) County Councillor's report - Points already discussed
- f) Pocket Park Tender – this has gone to press and Clerk awaiting replies from interested parties. All tenders to be discussed at April meeting.
- g) Public Conveniences – Lease signed by Chair and Clerk

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h) New Councillors given copy of code of conduct and signed declarations of office

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8. Matters for discussion in the April agenda

- a) Potholes on the back lane to rear of Public Conveniences
- b) Drains – Main Street and King Edward Street
- c) Tree on Llwynbrain Hill
- d) Re Painting of White lines by the Fishers and anywhere Cllrs notice
- e) Play facilities in the town
- f) Double white lines by Blackbridge

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm#

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 19th March at 7pm at Mayor's Parlour

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