

**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 10/12 ORCHARD STREET, NEATH
ON THURSDAY, 10TH JANUARY 2019
AT 6PM**

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN: CLLR. M. PROTHEROE

COUNCILLORS:
A. CARTER
G. L. EVANS
J. EVANS
P. JAMES
MRS L. JONES
MRS J. L. LOCKYER
MRS. S. MILLER
G. MORGAN
A. MUSAIED
MRS S.M.PENRY
R. PRICE
J. WARMAN

**IN ATTENDANCE: KATHRYN CHARLES
BEN HUGHES
SARA WHARMBY**

6739 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. D. Flynn, Cllr. B. MacCathail, Cllr. Mrs S. M. Marston, Cllr. A. McGrath, Cllr. A. Sims and Cllr. C. Webber.

6740 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

There were no declarations of interest received.

6741 TO AGREE AND CONFIRM THE PRECEPT FOR 2019/2020

Councillors had received the report prior to the Meeting. **RESOLVED:** It was proposed, seconded and agreed to approve the 2019/20 Council Precept at £330,000.

6742 TO APPROVE AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

A) MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEETINGS:

i. FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6TH DECEMBER 2018

It was proposed, seconded and agreed unanimously to accept the minutes of the Full Council Meeting.

B) RESOLUTIONS RECOMMENDED BY COMMITTEES AS SET OUT IN THE MINUTES

All Resolutions agreed.

6743 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT

A. GENERAL MATTERS

Members received the written Report prior to the Meeting. Members discussed any queries they had.

B. CORRESPONDENCE

<i>Correspondence Received</i>	<i>Actions</i>	<i>Resolutions</i>
An email from One Voice Wales attaching an amended list of scheduled training sessions.	Do Councillors wish to attend any training sessions?	Members informed the Town Clerk of training they wish to attend.
An email from One Voice Wales regarding First Minister's New Cabinet.	For information.	-
An email from One Voice Wales attaching the Connecting Communities in Wales Newsletter – December 2018.	For information.	-
An email from One Voice Wales regarding the Valley Regional Park Announcement.	For information.	-
Email from South Wales Police attaching PACT Meeting dates for Neath South, Cimla, Neath North and Neath East.	For information	-

<i>Additional Correspondence Received</i>	<i>Actions</i>	<i>Resolutions</i>
An email from One Voice Wales attaching the South Wales Training Schedule for September 2018 – March 2019.	For information	-
The Rectorial Benefice of Neath Parish Magazine – January 2019.	For information.	-
A letter from Macmillan Cancer Support thanking Neath Town	For information.	-

Council for the Grant Aid donation.		
The Swansea Bay Business Life Magazine – Winter 2018.	For information.	-
An email from NPTCBC regarding the Local Development Plan – Notification of Consultation on Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance.	For information.	-
An email regarding funding for Melyn Boxing Club.	Councillors to discuss.	The Meeting discussed the request. After discussion it was proposed, seconded and agreed to purchase the boxing ring by a vote of 7 for and 3 abstentions.

Cllr. J. Warman entered the Meeting at 6.32pm.

6744 TO REVIEW INCOME & EXPENDITURE MOVEMENT FOR THE MONTH

The Finance Officer stated that they would have an update at the Finance Committee Meeting.

6745 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no objections to the following planning application(s):-

P2018/0921

P2018/0943

P2018/0904

P2018/1024

Meeting: Full Council January 2019	Planning Schedule				Date sent: 07.12.18
No. of Application	Applicant	Proposal	Location	Planning Officer	Recommendation
P2018/0933	Mr Steven Rigby	Alterations to existing outbuilding including new roof design to facilitate overspill accommodation.	Hilltop Bungalow, Wembley, Neath, SA11 2AU	Jennifer Griffiths	No objections

Meeting: Full Council January 2019	Planning Schedule				Date sent: 13.12.18
No. of Application	Applicant	Proposal	Location	Planning Officer	Recommendation
P2018/0921	Mr Clive Hopkins	Retention and completion of the works for the change of use of ground floor to restaurant/bar (Use Class A3) and first floor to provide 3 additional bedrooms (As additional facilities/accommodation for Castle Hotel), plus single storey rear extension, first floor rear glazed link extension, outdoor seating area and paving (including emergency access to rear), external alterations to front and rear elevations.	11 The Parade, Neath, SA11 1RB	Karen Collins	No objections
P2018/0943	Mr Nathan Webber	Change of use to Class A3.	3 The Parade, Neath, SA11 1PU	Jennifer Griffiths	No objections

Meeting: Full Council January 2019	Planning Schedule				Date sent: 20.12.18
No. of Application	Applicant	Proposal	Location	Planning Officer	Recommendation
P2018/0904	Sandvik Osprey Ltd	Removal of condition 1 of P2015/0972 (Temporary two storey office building) granted on 29-Jan-2016 to allow for permanent retention of office building.	Sandvik Osprey Limited, Milland Road, Neath, SA11 1NJ	Rhodri Griffiths	No objections
P2018/1024	Mr Simon Brennan, NPTCBC	Redevelopment of Neath town centre consisting of 8 No. A1 retail units and 1 No. first floor unit (A1,A3 or D2 use) together with associated service yard and hard and soft landscaping.	Land at Water Street, Neath, SA11 3EP	Steven Jenkins	No objections

6746 TO DISCUSS THE SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT FOR NEATH TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Clerk stated that the Christmas 2018 and New Year 2018/19 videos had been posted on social media during the Christmas break.

RESOLVED: Videos to be shown in full at next Full Council meeting.

A Member asked whether a 'live' screen could be put in the Neath Community Centre or NTC Café window for the Town Council social media feeds. This was supported. **RESOLVED:** It was proposed, seconded and agreed for the Town Clerk to obtain costings for a screen and live link.

6747 TO DISCUSS COUNCILLOR ISSUES AND RECEIVE REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL

The Chair of Estates updated the Meeting on a recent visit to the Fairyland Allotment Site. Members were informed that the Allotmenters wanted to create a path to the communal area for wheelchair access to the plot and they had requested financial help from Council. **RESOLVED:** It was proposed, seconded and agreed to reimburse Allotmenters £150 for the materials bought to do the work.

The Meeting discussed electric cars and charging stations.

6748 TO RECEIVE ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

The Town Clerk stated that NPTCVS would be attended the Full Council Meeting in March.

6749 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS – TO CONSIDER PASSING A RESOLUTION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 TO TEMPORARILY EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC IN VIEW OF THE NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

The resolution was duly passed.

6750 TO DISCUSS INVESTMENT PROPERTY LEASING ISSUES AND COMMERCIAL CONTRACTS

The Meeting was informed that there had been interest received regarding leasing the 1st Floor Burton Block. A Member updated the Meeting on their site visit to the building and Above Corals.

Cllr. J. Evans and Cllr. G. Morgan entered the Meeting at 6.55pm.

An email was read out from the organisation interested in leasing the property. **RESOLVED:** The Meeting discussed their options at length. It was proposed, seconded and agreed to give them a 12 month rent free period to support its development by a vote of 10 for and 3 abstentions.

The Meeting was updated on the cost for a report regarding the renovation of the New Street property. **RESOLVED:** After discussion it was proposed, seconded and agreed to go ahead with the report by a vote of 12 for and 1 against.

6751 TO DISCUSS ANY STAFFING ISSUES

There were no issues to discuss.

6752 TO DISCUSS ANY HEALTH & SAFETY ISSUES

Members were informed that the Fire Service would be inspecting the building.

6753 TO FIX A DATE AND AGREE AN AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING

The Chair advised that the next meeting would be held on Thursday, 7th February 2019. An agenda would be circulated in due course.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed.