

Cyngor Tref Llanandras a Norton
PRESTEIGNE AND NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH AUGUST 2020
HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING UNDER THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (CORONAVIRUS)
(WALES) REGULATIONS 2020

Present: Cllrs. T. Owens (Mayor), F. Preece (Deputy Mayor), D. Edwards, R. Bennett, D. Davies, C. Ruby, J. Wilding, R. Bamford, L. Veary, N. Rogers.

Apologies: Cllrs. B. Baynham, C. Kirkby MBE, P. Smith.

In Attendance: Mrs T. Price, Town Clerk, members of the public.

Declarations of Interest: Members were requested to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct Order) (Wales) Order 2008.

Personal: None.

Personal and Prejudicial:

Cllr. R. Bennett, related to residents and to a business owner in High Street, re. proposed changes to High Street due to Covid-19.

Cllr. T. Owens, friend of applicant, re. planning application 20/1225/HH.

Cllr. D. Davies, friend of applicant, re. planning application 20/1225/HH

MIN 3789 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th July, 2020 were approved without amendment. The Chairman duly signed the Minutes.

MIN 3790 FINANCE

(1) Payments: The following payments were approved –

NEST (direct debit)	£122.99
Mrs T.A. Price (salary)	£1319.12
HM Revenue & Customs	£509.05
Clean My (cleaning materials etc)	£142.39
T. Lloyd-John	£660.70
Highground Maintenance Ltd	£319.57 MEADOW ACCOUNT
N. Close	£91.00
N. Close	£339.50 MEADOW ACCOUNT
EDF Energy (Meadow Barn)	£1.30 MEADOW ACCOUNT
EDF Energy (Wilson Terrace Toilets)	£18.46
XMA Ltd (ink toner)	£205.88
Morti Sport & Play Ltd	£405.60 MEADOW ACCOUNT
PHS Group (toilets)	£131.68
Welsh Water (Hereford Street) (Direct Debit)	£133.05
JRB Enterprises Ltd (dog bags)	£119.46 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Thermometers Direct	£24.96
Welsh Water (Barn)(Direct Debit)	£14.24 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Welsh Water (Wilson Terrace Toilets) (Direct Debit)	£5.21
Presteigne Building Supplies	£48.88 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Chemassist (cleaner urinals)	£166.80
Orphans Press (website accessibility work)	£516.00
Play Inspection Company	£198.00 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Healthmatic (gel dispensers etc)	£546.00

(2) Renewal of Annual Insurance: (The Town Council is currently in a three year agreement and the small increase relates to index linking of building values). Members noted that the two barns are not insured for 'wet' perils and agreed the payment of the annual premium.

Came & Company

£1088.11

(3) The letter of thanks from Marie Curie was noted.

MIN 3791 PLANNING

(1) Planning applications: The following planning applications were considered –

20/0982/HH Grid Reference: E:330873 N: 265073 Proposal: Erection of triple bay garage Site Address: Plot 1 Northwest of Sunnydale, Knighton Road, Presteigne, LD8 2ET. Resolved no objections be raised.

20/1158/HH Grid Reference: E:331612 N: 264187 Proposal: Erection of timber framed carport with workshop attached Site Address: 25 Hereford Street, Presteigne, Powys, LD8 2AT. Resolved no objections be raised.

20/1159/FUL Grid Reference: E:331637 N: 264197 Proposal: Change of use from A1 (shop) To A3 (food and drink) and external alterations to include the installation of a fan duct Site Address: The Little Shop, Hereford Street, Presteigne, LD8 2AT. Resolved to make the following comments - no objections to the application in principle but would like to raise the following concerns - parking provision; noise problems if late night opening occurs which was very possible given the opening times stated and litter issues. The Town Council would like these matters to be borne in mind and addressed when considering the application.

Cllrs. Davies and Owens were removed to the waiting room for the duration of the following item.

20/1225/HH Grid Reference: E:331170 N: 264135 Proposal: Proposed Two Storey Side Extension Site Address: 21 Caenbrook Meadow, Presteigne. Resolved no objections be raised.

Cllrs. Davies and Owens were returned to the meeting.

(2) Planning Decisions: The following decisions were noted –

20/0875/HH Trincomalee, Presteigne : Approval 30th July 2020

20/0876/CAC Trincomalee, Presteigne : Approval 30th July 2020

20/0957/HH Tiburon, Caefelyn, Norton : Approval 30th July 2020

MIN 3792 CORRESPONDENCE/GENERAL ITEMS

(1) Police and Crime Commissioner: Annual Report: Noted.

(2) Police and Crime Panel - Annual Report for 2019-2020: Noted.

(3) Handling of Requests to Use Went's Meadow: Members noted the need to pass on even informal requests for fitness classes etc to the Clerk so that she could as far as possible ensure that groups were kept apart and there were no clashes.

Cllr. Bennett was removed to the waiting room for the duration of the following item.

(4) Covid-19 Measures High Street:

Confirmation of Initial Scheme from County Council: Members noted the final scheme and the Clerk provided information from the Liaison Officer on why pairs of speed cushions were needed and why whole road speed cushions were not considered an option.

Location for Additional Cycle Racks: Members asked that the Clerk suggest the shopper's car park.

Relocation of Refuse Bin: Members felt that finding an appropriate site initially had been difficult and the Clerk was asked to respond stating that Members felt the bin was taking up no more room than goods from stores in the street and that they did not wish the bin to be either removed or re-located.

Pavement Licences: Members considered the issue of making an application on behalf of the shops interested but felt that this was a matter best left to the shops themselves particularly as Autumn was approaching and outside usage would therefore be reduced.

Queuing Outside Shops: The Clerk informed Members that the County Council Officer had visited many shops and advised them on the need to monitor their queuing arrangements and suggesting placing signs in the shop windows to advise shoppers. Members felt that this should address the situation and no further action was required at present.

Cllr. Bennett was returned to the meeting.

MIN 3793 URGENT BUSINESS INFORMATION

(1) Picnic Bench: Cllrs. Rogers, Bennett, Wilding and Owens would arrange to meet over the next few days and move the bench from the skateboard area for a second time.

(2) Mayor's Chain: Cllr. Owens reported that the chain was in need of a repair to a broken link and also there was now no longer any room for additional discs. Members agreed that a repair be arranged and the possibility of extending the chain/making it easier to wear be investigated.

(3) Electric Charging Points: The Clerk confirmed that these were still not yet live.

(4) Autumn Firework Events: Both Norton Sports Committee and Sheep Music were still considering the possibilities for holding the usual events and would re-assess under the current guidelines nearer the time. The Presteigne event would also be dependent on the Town Council allowing events when it reviewed the matter at the September meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.12 pm