

CAERNARFON ROYAL TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE 17 FEBRUARY 2009

Present

Her Worship the Mayor – Cllr M P Jones

Councillors

W R Owen, H Edwards, R Anderson, O T Owen, W T Owen, I C Thomas, A Y Williams, AW Bohana, G Parry, A Kirk, R Bonner Pritchard, M Thomas, W Ll Davies, A Roberts

Everyone was upstanding as a mark of respect for the Late Jack Thomas, who had obvious connections with the Council

Guest Speaker : David Payne – Planning Portal

Gave a synopsis of what the site offers.

Which are full details of all planning applications a very useful way of seeing the full scenario (but this is dependant on County Councils moving in this way)

This would allow us as a Council to see all documents that are associated with an application rather than the little we receive at present

At present, there are over 10,000 applications on the portal and the intention is that at least 40% of all applications are input via this system

If an individual uses the portal then they only have to provide one copy (therefore large savings to be had)

There is substantial amounts of information on the site – TAN (Technical advice notes), news

Easy system that does not allow you to forge any relevant documents

It was noted from the floor that we need our County Councillors to try and persuade Gwynedd Council that this is the way forward

1. Apologies

Cllr M Davies, Cllr H W Roberts

2. Declaration of Personal Interest

R Anderson – Planning

W T Owen – Planning and Licensing

I C Thomas – Planning and Celtic Media Festival
W R Owen – Planning

3. Urgent Items

Letter from Gwynedd Council to be discussed with item 8

4. Planning

To consider application

Resolved

To send a list of recommendations to the relevant planning authority

5. Accounts

To approve bills for payment

Resolved

Accept and pay

6. Gwynedd Council

(CLlr W T Owen left the room)

Licensing Department

Resolved

To accept for information only

7. Notice of Motion Cllr. R. Anderson

Re: Bus Shelter at Muriau Park

Resolved

For the clerk to proceed with discussions with Gwynedd Council and the Assembly as it is a Trunk Road.

8. Notice of Motion Cllr. Richard Bonner Pritchard

Re: Right of Way Victoria Dock

Resolved

Invite officers from the Council to an emergency meeting and send a letter to the Council asking for the Road to be re opened in the interim period

9. Update from Caernarfon Partnership

Cllr. M. Davies

Resolved

Move to next Council meeting

10. Update from Celtic Media Festival by the clerk

In the main, the festival will be situated in the Galeri, but with some interesting things happening in the Town during the Visit

The first visit of a Cinemobile has been secured for Caernarfon, which is a cinema in a lorry! This opens out to be a cinema for up to 80 people, and will be situated on the Square during the Festival. Several characters from well-known programmes will be present at some of the sessions.

There is a full programme of events for the 300 delegates which includes evening entertainment in town (open to local too)

There is an idea to set up a competition for local children to take photos around the town (set on themes) and the best pictures will be shown in the Cinemobile.

The festival are also requesting the use of our Crest on the Festival Packs – are the Council happy

Resolved

To accept the report and permit the use of the crest

11. Welsh Assembly Government letter 9 February 2009

Local Government Partnership Scheme Annual Report 2007 – 2008

Resolved

Accept for information only

12. Questions

What is happening with the standing orders?

Need more people on the discussions

Can we have more links on our website?

Yes –but they need to be approved by the Council

(Clerk will put on the next General Committee)

Meeting ended 8.05

Signed..... Dated.....

