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A meeting of the Barmouth Town Council was held at 7pm on Tuesday 13th December 2022 in Parlwr Mawr, Dragon Theatre, Jubilee Road, Barmouth.

## Minutes

Present: Cllr Trevor Roberts (Chair), Cllr Jamie Brooks, Cllr Matt Harris, Cllr Adam Hills, Cllr Katie Price, Cllr Owain Pritchard, Cllr Dylan Roberts, Cllr Rob C Williams, Cllr Damian Williams, Cllr Rob A Williams, Heather Brown (clerk)

In Attendance: David Brown

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Phil Hill, Cllr Rob Triggs, Cllr Wendy Cleaver
2. Declaration of financial, personal or prejudicial interest  
None
3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 22nd November 2022  
Proposed Cllr Matthew Harris, Seconded Cllr Dylan Roberts. All agreed.
4. Open Actions from previous meetings

Action #	Description	Status	Assignee
2203-01	Gwynedd Council Depot land & allotments	Ongoing discussions.	TR
2203-03	Pontoon, repair or replace?	No update	RT
2205-05	Disability Access concerns have been raised. GCC are supposed to review dropped kerbs when they renew pavements	Ongoing.	TR
2205-06	Improvements needed to "Pitch & Putt" site - new latch on gate, new "no dogs" sign	In progress.	JB
2205-07	Proposal made to employ a caretaker for the tennis courts / Memorial Park etc	Moving forward. Next steps discussed and agreed by all present.	WC/PH/J B
2207-02	Refurbish Noticeboard by First Impressions	In hand, waiting for fine weather.	DW

2209-01	Use of pavements by businesses, potentially causing issues with pedestrians & traffic	An inspector is coming round. It is a highways issue not a harbour issue.	RT
2209-03	Question on Toilet opening hours	Ongoing. Need to ask to be left open over Christmas (KP will ask).	RT/KP
2210-02	Update bank signatories & online access permissions	Ongoing.	HB
2210-03	Resolving issues around Skate Park & School astroturf	Need to have a site meeting with the school to identify a solution that works for everyone.	JB/RCW
2211-01	Follow-up regarding buses to Council Estate	WC to provide outline of requirements, Clerk to write to GC.	WC/HB

5. CCTV

5.1. Progress update

Boxes have been installed on lamp-posts for CCTV and WiFi, installation to start in the New Year.

6. Chairman's report

- Wasn't able to attend Christmas Lunch at Great Dawley, but visited yesterday and had a friendly meeting.
- Christmas Late Night shopping was a very successful evening. Thanks to Cllr Katie Price & other organisers. It would be good to get lights along Marine Parade & the Prom, but these are old lamp posts that aren't strong enough to hold lights. Cllr Matthew Harris will follow up with GC to try to get them done in the future.

7. Clerk's report

The Clerk was on holiday, thanks to Cllr Katie Price for covering urgent issues.

8. To consider the following planning/licence applications

- 8.1. App Ref: C21/0039/00/LL - 2 Rhodfa'r Môr, Abermaw, Barmouth, LL42 1NA  
No objections.

9. Finance

9.1. To receive monthly finance management reports

9.1.1. Audit Update

All information sent in, no further questions yet.

9.1.2. Regular Payments:

Payment	Payment Method
Clerk's Salary	Standing Order
Clerk's Phone	Direct Debit

9.2. Record of previously agreed payments made since the last meeting

Payee	Item	Invoice #	Amount	Authorisation

9.3. To approve payment of accounts

Payee	Item	Invoice #	Amount
Zoe Mach	Lantern Workshop		£250.00
K Price	Geraint Evans Town Christmas Trees (reimburse)		£200.00
K Price	LED lights (reimburse)		£19.54
K Price	GC Temp Event Notice (reimburse)		£21.00
Evergreen	November Invoice	567	£500.00
Barmouth Printers	Christmas Treasure Hunt	11297	£75.00
Daryl Edwards	Santa's Grotto		£175.00
The Dragon Theatre	Underwriting of Catrin Finch		£815.00
The Dragon Theatre	Room hire & storage	000103	£117.00
Goodies Coffee Shop	Refreshments	51	£179.00
RJ Electrics	Festive lighting	07949	£5904.00
RJ Electrics	Groundworks	07956	£470.40
K Price	Outdoor lights for trees (reimburse)		£67.39

The Catrin Finch costs are under discussion with the Theatre. Need to clarify the underwriting of the Comedy Festival in the Spring.

Motion to pay all except Catrin Finch: Proposed Cllr Damian Williams, Seconded Cllr Owain Pritchard. All agreed.

9.4. Upcoming Expense (for information) - Noted

- 9.4.1. Training for new councillors: £35 per class, 2 classes per councillor
- 9.4.2. Training for Clerk: Full CiCLA: approx £750.
- 9.4.3. Dragon Theatre: Underwriting of Spring Comedy Festival
- 9.4.4. "Down with the Arts": £3025.92 (£102 spent)
- 9.4.5. Remaining Jubilee expenses (leisure centre & translation)
- 9.4.6. Hafan Deg Age Concern Club: £500
- 9.4.7. BPA: £3000 support for Town Guide
- 9.4.8. Youth Club Autumn & Spring: £2179.40
- 9.4.9. Remaining Christmas expenses (room hire, etc) estimate £150

9.5. To receive any requests for financial support

- 9.5.1. Dawns i Bawb - Clerk to reply supportively offering financial support for future Barmouth events.
- 9.5.2. Barmouth & Dyffryn Football Club - it was agreed to invite the Football Club leadership to the January meeting to talk about future plans.

10. Gwynedd councillors report

- Free Parking on Car Parks from 11am. - Note: not all day. This is to prevent office workers from using all the free spaces so shoppers can't park.

- The Clerk will follow up with issues the Councillor is dealing with during his medical treatment.

11. Notice of and reports from representatives on external organisations.

- 11.1. Cllr Owain Pritchard: Bro Ardudwy: A new vicar has been appointed within Bro Ardudwy, and will start in March.

12. Local Issues

12.1. Christmas 2022 (KP/MH/AH)

Thank you to Cllr Matthew Harris & Cllr Adam Hills for their help in preparation. Businesses did well and the weather was good. If the event continues to grow more support will be needed on the night.

12.2. Barmouth Museum Update (RCW)

A licence has been issued to use the Ferryman's Office. The licence will be in the name of Town Council with Cllr Rob C Williams as contact. An estimated cost is £1500. The contents will be covered on Barmouth Town Council's Insurance. A detailed plan will be presented at a future meeting with costings. The Council are in support of this project.

13. Other correspondence/letters

13.1. Gwynedd Council Works Programme December 2022 - Noted.

13.2. Network Rail; railway upgrade update - Noted.

13.3. The Gwynedd Council Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Street Parking Places and Revocation Meirionnydd Area - Noted.

14. Any other business

**Meeting closed at 8:05pm.**

**Date of next meeting – Tuesday 10th January 2023 - Strategy Meeting  
Tuesday 24th January 2023 - Full Council Meeting.**

**Signed as a true record:**

**Date:**