

**LLANTWIT MAJOR TOWN COUNCIL.**

**REPORT OF TOWN STUDY STEERING GROUP MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup>.  
FEBRUARY, 2012, AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, OLD SCHOOL, WINE STREET, LLANTWIT  
MAJOR.**

Present.	Councillor.	E. Williams (Chairman)
	Councillors.	Mrs. A. Matthews. Mr. G. John. Mr. K. Geary. Mr. R. Austin. Mr. D. Lane. Mrs. M. Lane. Mrs. S. Bagstaff. Mr. E. Hacker.
	Mrs J. Moisan.	Chamber of Trade.
	Mrs. P. Steinhauer.	Chamber of Trade.
	Mr. Marijn Kamph.	Chamber of Trade.
	Mrs G. Price.	Llanilltyd Fawr in Flower.
	Mr. J. Franklin	Baptist Church.

Apologies were tendered on behalf of;  
Councillor J. Clifford.  
Councillor Mrs. A. James.  
Councillor R. Gant.  
Councillor G. Fletcher.  
Mrs. H. March. History Society.  
Mrs. T. Benefield. Llanilltyd Fawr in Flower.  
Mrs. S. Roberts.

**MINUTES.**

Steering Group members had previously been circulated with a copy of the report from the previous meeting of the Town Study Steering Group which had been held on 28<sup>th</sup>. November, 2011. These had been ratified at the Full Town Council meeting of 15<sup>th</sup>. December, 2011.

**MATTERS ARISING.**

Councillor G. John informed the meeting that at the end of that meeting it had been decided that members should complete a question regarding Community Consultations. There was now to be a meeting organised by the Vale of Glamorgan Council on the subject of Town Centre Management to which several Councillors and other interested parties were invited. It would be of benefit to the group to see what the outcome of that meeting was before

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embarking on a consultation process. He proposed that questionnaire completion by members be delayed until the next Town Study meeting for further discussion.

**RECOMMENDED:** That the Community Consultation Questionnaire completion be adjourned for further discussion at the next Town Study Steering group meeting.

Councillor E. Williams then welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if all those Present could briefly introduce themselves to the meeting.

### **TO RECEIVE PENNY STEINHAUER, LLANTWIT MAJOR CHAMBER OF TRADE.**

Councillor E. Williams welcomed Mrs. Penny Steinhauer to the meeting and asked her to begin proceedings. Mrs. Steinhauer informed the group that the Chamber of Trade were aiming to build up the Chamber of Trades profile. One way to do this was the introduction of a new website. The previous site which had been run by Paul Jones was no longer active due to his sad death. In view of this and availability of domains it had been decided to start with a new site, the suggested name was Llantwit Look. This site was aim to promote local businesses such as plumbers, builders, accommodation lists. It is planned to launch the site on 8<sup>th</sup>. March. There would be a membership fee of £15 and this would allow members to advertise on the site. This should raise sufficient funds to run the site, but it was not intended to be a money making exercise for large profit. Mr. Kamph also showed the group a screenshot of the site via his computer. Members asked a number of questions regarding the site and these were answered by Mrs Steinhauer and Mr Kamph. Once the site was up and running it was intended to expand it to include as much local business information as possible. The Chamber of Trade also wish to run meetings bringing experts such financial advisers or other people who could help local business owners expend or improve their business. Councillor E. Williams thanked both Mrs. Steinhauer and Mr. Kamph for attending the meeting. Both then left the Chamber.

### **BOVERTON ROAD REGENERATION PROJECT UPDATE.**

Councillor G. John informed the meeting that new notice boards and refuse bin had been purchased by the Town Council and would look very good. Mr. Hunt had yet to decide on the location of the fitting of these items. There was still some concern regarding the slabs and Mr. Hunt had indicated that he would be having his own survey done. There was still the retention period until 14<sup>th</sup>. July, 2012, and the Town Councils consultants would deal with contractor when a further snagging process was completed in the spring. Members commented that whatever happened the area was still a vast improvement on what had previously been there. Members expressed concern over the large planter that had been positioned in the precinct area, however it was noted that until Mr. Hunt had completed his own works no final decision would be taken about its further use.

### **EISTEDDFOD GENERAL PLANNING.**

Councillor G. John informed the meeting that the Eisteddfod Camper Van was coming to Llantwit Major on 29<sup>th</sup>. February, 2012, to announce the beginning of the Eisteddfod period within the Vale of Glamorgan. Llantwit Major was now to be the hub of the event because of the road and rail links. There was still a need for people to promote the town. The van would be parked in the Poundfield area and there would be information available. It was also noted that there were many fundraising events now planned leading up to the Eisteddfod including Welsh Classes at £20.00 for six lessons. Councillor E. Hacker enquired if Llanilltyd Fawr in Flower would be able to do anything around the station area. Mrs Price informed the meeting that this would be very difficult because of the number of volunteers meant that they were only just able to manage the Boverton Road area. There were also issues about water supply in that area. It was unlikely that the group could cover that area. Mrs J. Moisan informed the meeting that Arriva Trains had agreed to supply extra trains during the Eisteddfod period. Brief discussion then followed regarding other events and exhibitions within the town and whether it would be possible to have guides for tours around the town. The main issue was who could do this and they would need to be Welsh speakers. Councillor Mrs. S. Bagstaff informed the meeting that information about events in the town needed to be coordinated and given to the Vale of Glamorgan by the 29<sup>th</sup>. of February. Members agreed that the Town Council could produce a proforma letter to be sent out to business and organisations within the town asking them for details of what they were doing for the Eisteddfod. The Town Hall could then produce a diary of events which could then be displayed on the Website and notice boards in Town. Councillor Mrs. Bagstaff offered to assist in the distribution of those letters.

Mrs. Price and Councillor Mrs. M. Lane left the meeting.

Members noted that the Gem Newspaper was producing a weekly article on the Eisteddfod. Enquiries could be made to add something to this from the Town Council also asking for information about planned events.

**RECOMMENDED:** That the Town Council send a letter to local business and other organisations requesting information on events planned by them for inclusion in a diary of events held by the Town Council.

### **QUEENS DIAMOND JUBILEE, DISCUSSION ON FORMATION OF SUB-COMMITTEE TO COORDINATE EVENTS.**

Councillor G. John informed the meeting that the Diamond Jubilee was something that would only occur once in a lifetime. The Town should put on some kind of event to mark the occasion, there may well be street parties and other celebrations and there was a need to try and coordinate these events. Members agreed that the town should have some form of

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celebration and there was a need for a sub-committee to be formed. Mrs. J. Moisan, Councillor R. Austin and Councillor G. John put their names forward and were agreed.

**RECOMMENDED:** That the Town Council form a sub-committee made up from members of the Town Study Group to organise an event to mark the Queens Diamond Jubilee and coordinate events organised in the town to celebrate the event.

Councillor E. Williams then thanked everyone for attending the meeting which was then closed.