

# **LLANDEILO AND DISTRICT CIVIC TRUST SOCIETY**

The Shire Hall, Carmarthen Street, Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire, SA19 6AF

## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**In Shire Hall, Llandeilo,**

**On Monday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005, at 7pm**

### **Present**

Dr. D. Townsley-Hughes (Chairman)

Mr. Paul Regan (Vice Chairman)

Mr. Peter G.B. Ratcliffe (Treasurer)

Mr. E. Gwilym Hughes,

Mrs. Ann C. Keen,

Mrs. Angela Adams Rice.

- 1. Apologies for absence :** Cllr.Dr. David Anthony Jones, Mrs. Julia Jones.
- 2. Minutes of the Last Meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup> 2005 :** approved.
- 3. Matters Arising from the last Committee Meeting Not Covered in the Agenda Item 11 :** Mrs Adams Rice attended the Woodlands Trust's "Come and Plant a Tree Day" on Nov.21<sup>st</sup>, and planted trees.
- 4. Public Lecture and Society Launch on November 18<sup>th</sup>.**

The Minutes of an Informal Committee Meeting to review Lecture Event were approved, provided the list of those present was corrected to include Mr.Hughes and Mrs Keen. A corrected copy of these revised Minutes is attached, with the Secretary's apologies for the omission.

The Treasurer reported that 19 new members enrolled and paid their subscriptions at the Reception following the Lecture. A further 8 new members later joined by post (total 27).

This produced a total membership of 45 members (27 + 18).

### **5. Llandeilo Market Hall.**

Mr. Regan reported that his discussion with the Welsh School of Architecture about the possibility of arranging for students to undertake design study projects for the restoration/development of the Market Hall, could not be undertaken in the present academic year, but may be possible in the next year. It was agreed that the Chairman will check with Carmarthenshire County Council about the current situation in their action on their Market Hall project and if the matter is still open to further discussion, to arrange a meeting with the Director for Regeneration, Mr. David Gilbert, Mr. Paul Regan and himself : to obtain the necessary information about proposals being considered by the Carmarthenshire Coounty Council, to enable the Society to hold a public meeting, in Llandeilo, to consult the community about existing and further proposals not yet considered by the Council.

## **6. Llandeilo Railway Station**

Mr. Regan requires some response about his design proposals reproduced as computer generated images that have been reproduced in the Society's Newsletter, before undertaking further work. The Committee and the Railway Station Adopters, Misses Thirza and Hilda Swindell, have already indicated their approval. Mr. Regan will next send copies of the photos to the Town Council, Arriva Trains and Mrs Gillian Wright (Passengers' Association).

## **7. Next Public Lecture**

- (i) A debate about the Market Hall will be aimed to be held at the beginning of March, subject to information yet to be obtained from the Carmarthenshire County Council
- (ii) Tom Lloyd, the architect, to lecture about the Historic Buildings of Llandeilo and District. Mr. Gwilym Hughes knows Mr. Lloyd and will invite him to lecture in April.
- (iii) Rev. Dr. William Strange, former vicar of Llandeilo, now vicar of St. Peter's Church, Carmarthen, to be invited to lecture on the Life of St. Teilo, or possibly the history of the Llandeilo Gospels. Mr. Regan who regularly meets Will Strange will discuss the possibility of him giving a lecture and a suitable topic, for June.

Venue : the Civic Hall or Capel Newydd, according to the availability on a Thursday evening.

## **8. Society Web Site Content**

It was agreed that the Society's Information Leaflet, the Society's Constitution, Newsletters and Membership Application Form would form a suitable start for our web site. The Chairman will liaise with Mr. Hughes over the documents to be included. Mr. Hughes who already has work done by the Town Council's Web Master, Mr. Andy Williams, will discuss with him the procedure and cost of getting various versions of a subsite of the Town Council's web site for us.

## **9. Society Logo**

The graphic design presented by the Chairman, derived from Mr. Paul Regan's drawing of Shire Hall, was approved subject to some further tweeking by the Chairman, to give a slightly wider margin between the central picture and the circle of surrounding words : LLANDEILO AND DISTRICT CIVIC TRUST SOCIETY, and arranging for CIVIC TRUST SOCIETY to appear right way up rather than upside down in the perimeter of the circle.

## **10. Correspondence from the Membership**

The Chairman reported receiving a letter from Mr. Andrew Hewson of Capel Isaac, asking for the Society's help in objecting to the "outrageous" Hoarding at Evan Evans Brewery, in the form of a commercial "Welcome to Llandeilo" sign at the south entrance to Llandeilo (as stated in his copy of a letter to the Planning Officer of Llandeilo Town Council. Whereas the Committee sympathised with Mr. Hewson's point of view, it understands that the Carmarthenshire County Council has recently reached a decision to have the offending board removed, and awaits further action.

**11. Any Other Business**

(i) The Town Council is holding a Heritage Forum, at the Rugby Club on Feb.11<sup>th</sup>, to which 4 members of the Society's Committee have received personal invitations. The Chairman will check whether an invitation can also be extended to other members of Committee.

(ii) Mrs. Keen raised the question of what past documents were available for her to archive, to add to the recent and current ones that she is archiving. The Chairman will check with Mr Michael Rees, Past Chairman, to determine what he has available to add to those already held by the present Chairman for current reference.

**12. Date of the Next Meeting**

Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 2005, at 7pm in Shire Hall.

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