



Fishguard & Goodwick Town Council  
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Dear Council Member,

The **Minutes** of the Full Council meeting  
of the Fishguard & Goodwick Town Council held at 7:00pm on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024  
The meeting was held in the Town Hall meeting room and was multilocational.

Cllr. Tyrrell was in the Chair

Clerk: ...*Rachel Thomson*  
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## Minutes

### PUBLIC SESSION - CLLR. TYRRELL

Before Town Council business commences, the public session offers members of the public, the opportunity to **comment on items on this agenda, or to bring concerns to the Council**. Members of the public will be limited to three minutes for their comments or question. Members of the public can liaise with their local Town and County Councillors at any time, not just at meetings.

#### Public present.

On the evening: A representative of North Pembrokeshire trade & Tourism updated the Town Council on a number of subjects:

- Prospective TIC still intending to take a lease in the Town Hall.
- Through Stena, there will now be promotion of Fishguard & Goodwick in Rosslare, Ireland.
- Ben Lake MP will be visiting with NPTT on 18<sup>th</sup> September to discuss a number of topics.
- There is a new vicar coming to Fishguard, arriving 6<sup>th</sup> September.

#### County councillors present.

On the evening: Cllr Jordan – No County Council business to report.

### STANDING ORDERS WERE ADOPTED

#### 1. Apologies.

To formally record apologies for absence and to record the attendance of Town Councillors.

Present: Cllrs Tyrrell, Allison, Hughes, Morgan, Churchill, Murphy, McCarney, Elcock and Cllr Ryan (online).

Apologies received: Cllr Shaw (Holiday), Cllr O Davidson (Work), Cllr J Davidson (unwell) and Cllr Gwynn (Work). It was resolved by the Town Council to accept these apologies. Proposed Cllr Elcock, seconded Cllr Hughes.

**2. Declarations of interest.**

An opportunity for Councillors to declare a personal or pecuniary interest in any of the items listed below.

No interests were declared.

**3. Minutes of the previous meeting**

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting, held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2024, as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

It was resolved to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr McCarney, seconded Cllr Morgan, unanimous.

**4. Clerks report.**

1) New Years Eve Committee – have thanked the Town Council for their continued financial support through the award of a grant.

2) Bathing Water Project is nearing the end for 2024, all results to date have been excellent. The project has been well received by the public, and there is now a mailing list to email results to local organisations and residents.

3) Local Badger Ecology have carried out a walkover survey on the Badger activity on the Marine Walk. The Town Council did not formerly request this but appreciate the report that has been provided to the Town Council which confirms a medium-density of badger activity in the area.

4) Goodwick Parrog – PCC have erected two large coloured signs detailing beach restrictions in Pembrokeshire and provide guidelines regarding beach use, including being responsibility for dogs. The decision to put more signs on the Parrog may now be unnecessary and the topic will be re-visited at the October meeting.

**5. Councillor Update**

Cllr Morgan: Has been contacted by a member of the Wildlife Trust who is concerned about rare birds on the Parrog being distressed by dog activity. Is due to meet the resident to discuss and explain limitations for preventing dogs accessing the beach.

Cllr Murphy: Reported he is still receiving a lot of complaints about the new parking restrictions in the Co-Op car park.

Cllr McCarney: In Bloom presentation will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm in the meeting room where the prizes will be presented, along with Certificates of Appreciation for all runners up. All Councillors are welcome.

**6. Councillor Action List Update:**

Update on live Action List: The list was reviewed and updates

**7. Working Group Update:**

TC&RWG: Cllr Morgan updated following the 4 Drop In Sessions held in August, which yielded some useful comments. He will produce a report summarising.

Cllr Morgan also advised the Council of a meeting planned with the PCC Regeneration Office on 11<sup>th</sup> September at 10 am in the meeting room, along with representatives recruited to carry out two placemaking projects.

Twinning: In the absence of Cllr Shaw, the Clerk updated following previous agreement to contact Rosslare Municipal regarding a possible Twinning between the two communities. A letter was sent which is to be considered by Rosslare Municipal at their next meeting.

**8. Budget update and review - Clerk**

The most recent Receipts & Payments report has been circulated, are there any questions or comments.

No comments or questions were received.

**9. An opportunity to ask questions regarding the committee meetings held last month**

Finance            15.07.2024

Planning 19.08.2024

Governance 16.07.2024

Events 16.07.2024

No comments or questions were received.

**10. Reduced Police Presence:**

Resolve to invite the Police Commissioner to a Town Council meeting to discuss the reduced police presence in Fishguard and Goodwick.

It was resolved to invite the Police Divisional Commander to a meeting of the Town Council to discuss the reduced police presence in Fishguard & Goodwick. Proposed Cllr Allison, seconded Cllr Morgan, unanimous. Clerk to action.

**11. Public Toilet Agreement:**

The agreement for funding the public toilets in Fishguard has expired. Resolve in principle to continue with this agreement (subject to final costs to be confirmed).

It was agreed that there was not enough information at present to consider this resolution. The Clerk was requested to contact PCC for a confirmation of the Terms of Contract with the current maintenance provider and a copy of performance indicators, along with the costings for any new agreement.

**12. Invoices for Payment:**

PCC:	£3000	Public Toilets 1 <sup>st</sup> April to 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2024.
Fishguard Garden Centre:	£530	Planter filling £53 x 10 planters
LITE	£10,427.24	First payment Christmas Lights Contract.
Audit Wales:	£220	External Audit Fee 2022/23
Royal Oak:	£500	Mayors Civic Service

It was resolved to authorise these invoices for payment. Proposed Cllr Allison, seconded Cllr McCarney, unanimous.

**13. Local Resolution Policy:**

This policy has been reviewed by the Governance Committee with the recommendation it be adopted by the Town Council. Resolve to adopt this policy.

It was resolved to adopt this policy. Proposed Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr McCarney, unanimous.

**Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024

**Time meeting closed:** 7.38pm

**Signed:** .....

**Date:** .....

**Position:** .....

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