

FIRST COWBRIDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL ELECTIONS
1ST NOVEMBER 1887

Councillors elected,

Thomas Rees	(Solicitor)
William Aaron James	(Carpenter & Builder)
Edward John	(Agricultural dealer)
Lewis Jenkins	(Brewer)
Morgan Morgan	(Seed & Manure Merchant)
John Llewellyn	(Chemist)
Thomas John	(Ancient Druid Inn)
Thomas John Parsons	(Grocer)
David Tilley	
David Thomas	
Thomas Thomas	(Bear Inn)

The first meeting of the Town Council was held on 9th November 1887 in the Town Hall. The first four named above were elected Alderman.

Thomas Rees was elected Mayor.

John Stockwood continued in office as Town Clerk.

21st November 1887 A By-Election was held to fill the casual vacancies created by the election of the 4 Aldermen. The councillors elected were, Joseph William Hall, John Hopkins, Frederick Augustus Miles and W.L. Jenkins.

The new Borough applied for a Grant of Arms and a Corporation Seal.

A copy of the grant of Arms can be seen in the Council Chamber and the Seal is still used today.

One of the first actions of the new Council was to extend the existing sheep and pig market, which occupied a site alongside the Masons Arms, by draining the Butts Pool. The new cattle market came into use in 1888 thereby removing a major nuisance from the streets of the town.