CYNGOR TREF CONWY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING (FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES) HELD ON MONDAY, 11TH MAY 2015

PRESENT: Councillors – E Leighton Jones (Chair), S Allardice, B Chapman, B James, S Cotton, P Hart, T James, G Edwards, L Hughes, J Fallon, C Rigal, H Roberts.

IN ATTENDANCE : Helen Barritt (Town Clerk)

Rachel Lees (Assistant to the Town Clerk)

Sasha Davies, Strategic Director (Economy and Place) Conwy County Borough

Council

James Harland, Strategic Planning Policy Manager, Conwy County Borough Council

David Jones, (Director) Axis

Freddie Jones, (Property Executive) Conygar Investments Co Plc Dafydd Jones, (Company Director), Conygar Investments Co Plc

Richard Baddeley & Company

APOLOGIES: Councillors – V Macdonald & R Parker (The Mayor)

Declarations of Interest – Code of Local Government Conduct: None

Minute Number

Councillor Chapman left the meeting during the following item Councillor Mrs James left the meeting during the following item

306. Llandudno Junction Old Brickworks – Proposed Development

Members received a presentation from Mr David Jones on the proposed plans for the Old Brickworks site. The development proposal includes 3 restaurant facilities and 1 retail facility with a petrol station. The presentation looked at various aspects of the design proposal including accessibility to the site, the environmental effects, ecology, visual impact, flood risk and landscape. Discussions so far have been made with the Welsh Government. There was a public consultation which was well attended on the 13th March 2015. The planning application is being submitted on Wednesday 13th May 2015, with a public notice going out to the press on the same day. Members were given the opportunity to ask questions at the end of the presentation.

The Chair thanked Mr David Jones for his presentation and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

RESOLVED that:

- A copy of the presentation is obtained from Axis
- Once the planning application comes in, the item is put on the Agenda
- Invite the County Council back for a presentation on the Civic Hall, Conwy

Sasha Davies, Conwy County Borough Council, David Jones Axis, Freddie Jones Conygar Investments Plc, Dafydd Jones Conygar Investments Co plc and Richard Baddeley of Richard Baddeley and Company left the meeting at this juncture.

307. Minutes

- Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 27th April 2015 **RESOLVED** that the minutes are ACCEPTED and APPROVED
- Minutes of the Staff Committee held on 27th April 2015
 RESOLVED that the minutes are ACCEPTED and APPROVED
- Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on 29th April 2015 **RESOLVED** that the minutes are ACCEPTED and APPROVED

308. Questions on the Minutes

- a) Special Meeting of the Council held on 27th April 2015
 - i) Minute 296, Footpaths & Green Spaces Working Party

The meeting will be held on 26/5/15 at 5.30pm in the Guildhall

- b) Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on 29th April 2015
 - i) Minute 11, Plas Isa

The Town Clerk and Councillors L Hughes & G Edwards have a meeting with officers from Conwy County Borough Council on 20th May 2015

309. Town Clerk's Report

Members RECEIVED and NOTED the Town Clerk's Report (Schedule A)

The Assistant to the Town Clerk reported the following additional items:

- a) Credit Union training event, 15/5/15, 204pm at Llandudno Junction, 144 Conway Road, LL31 9ND
- b) Road Closure from Junction Station Road to St Cystennin Church, Cystennin Road, Llangwstennin 19/5/15 electric work
- c) Venue Cymru Slam Club. Free Slam Club open to all young people aged 12-19 years. 16/5/15, 30/5/15, 13/6/15 and 27/6/15, 1.30pm to 4.30pm. Conwy Room, Venue Cymru.

310. Planning

a) Planning Applications

Members considered the applications on (Schedule B) attached hereto and made recommendations and comments as detailed

b) Planning Decisions Issued

Members RECEIVED and NOTED the planning decisions issued by Conwy County Borough Council

311. Developing a Landfill Disposals Tax – Welsh Government Consultation

Members discussed and considered the responses to the consultation emailed on 5th May 2015 and responded as follows:

- 27. Yes
- 28. All activities are important and also include to "Prevent social isolation of communities/and Enhance and promote community development"
- 29. Broaden the geographical focus of funding (increase the 10 mile radius) and have an administrative office in Wales.

312. Open Doors 2015

Members RECEIVED a report on the Open Doors Working Party meeting held on 29th April 2015.

RESOLVED that:

- a) The dates for this year are 5th and 6th September 2015
- b) Councillor Macdonald is to provide 2 slide shows, "Deganwy Prom" and "The men who crossed the Conwy & Jean"
- c) Councillor James is to provide WW2 memorabilia, to be displayed in the cabinet
- d) A press release will be written including the information about the slides and memorabilia
- e) Enquire if the Hawks could be across the road on that weekend to draw the public to this end of Town or have Councillors across the road with leaflets
- f) Councillor Roberts will provide a charity box.
- g) The Mayor's Charities will be written on the charity box
- h) Another mannequin will be purchased for the Past Mayor's robe
- i) The Scouts will be asked if they have their own collection box
- j) The Banner Stand needs to be ready to display

- k) Welcome sign on A3, in colourful text, to include Arabic
- 1) Books on the table to include the newly bound minutes and the books about the paintings
- m) Research into a new bilingual leaflet
- n) The next meeting will be held on 20th July 2015 at 5:45pm
- o) The rota is set up

313. Conwy Seed Fair 2016

Members RECEIVED a new date for Conwy Seed Fair 2016, it will be on 1st April 2016

Councillor Mrs James returned to the meeting during the following item

314. European Walled Towns

Members RECEIVED information from the Town Clerk regarding the future of the European Walled Towns.

315. Cycling on Conwy Cob

The Town Clerk read out an email from the Traffic Engineers, Conwy County Borough Council. Members discussed ways of improving the management of cycling between Llandudno Junction and Conwy.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk writes back to the Traffic Engineer with the following suggestions

- i) Conwy County Borough Council contact the Dutch about their management of cycle routes
- ii) Conwy County Borough Council should contact Conwy Parkrun
- iii) Cyclists should only use pathways which are a minimum of 9ft wide

316. New School, Llandudno Junction

The Town Clerk read a letter from Richard Ellis Owen, Head of Education Services Conwy County Borough Council regarding the discontinuation of Ysgol Maelgwyn and Ysgol Nant Y Coed in 2016, also the establishment of the new School.

317. Investments

RESOLVED that the agenda item is deferred to a future meeting

318. One Voice Wales

RESOLVED that the agenda item is deferred to a future meeting

319. Revised Guidance on the Code of Conduct

RESOLVED that the agenda item is deferred to a future meeting

320. Mayoral Inauguration 2015

Members discussed the arrangements for the Mayoral Inauguration on 18th May 2015.

The Town Clerk presented the Risk Assessment for the event which is low risk overall.

RESOLVED that:

- a) The Risk Assessment is accepted and approved
- b) Councillor Chapman will read the Royal Warrant in Welsh
- c) Councillor Cotton will greet the VIP's on arrival at the Guildhall
- d) The rehearsal is at 10am on Monday morning 18th May 2015

321. Approval of Payments

Members APPROVED the following payments:

- a) Viking stationery, laminator, flip chart easel £294 plus vat
- b) SLCC Enterprises Ltd Wales Training Seminar, Town Clerk 14/5/15 £69 plus vat
- c) JDH Business Services Ltd 2014/15 internal audit £392 plus vat
- d) Aberconwy Locksmiths Ltd Gain access to office 1/5/15 £68.88 plus vat along with the following additional payments
- e) Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water Fountain 6/8/14 26/2/15 £20.45
- f) A. Slater Guildhall and Bus Shelter Windows, 4 weeks to 8/5/15 £170.00

322. Cash Payments

There were no cash payments

323. List of Cheques

RESOLVED that the list of cheques no.316 is approved for payment (Schedule C)

The Chairman allowed the following item as a matter of urgency

324. Conwy Town Council Plaque

Mr Llew Groom requested a plaque to present to a group of tourists who were visiting Conwy for the day. **RESOLVED** that Mr Groom be given a plaque to present to the visiting group.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8:46pm