

**CYNGOR TREF CONWY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**GUILDHALL, CONWY**  
**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016**

**Present:** Councillors P Hart (Town Mayor), B Chapman (Deputy Mayor), R Parker, S Allardice, E Leighton-Jones, B James, S Cotton, T James, G Edwards, E Hughes, A James, C Rigal, H Roberts

**Apologies:** V Macdonald, J Hughes

**In Attendance:** Helen Barritt (TC)  
Jane Hodgson (Acting Assistant to the Town Clerk)

**Prayers:** Mayor's Chaplain

**Declaration of Interest – Code of Local Government Conduct:**

Agenda Item 7a Planning Applications – Councillor S Allardice is on the Planning Committee of Conwy County Borough Council

**Minute Number**

**59. Minutes of the Council & Committees**

- Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
RESOLVED that the minutes are ACCEPTED and APPROVED
- Minutes of the Staff Committee held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016  
RESOLVED that the minutes are ACCEPTED and APPROVED
- Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016  
RESOLVED that the minutes are ACCEPTED and APPROVED

**60. Questions on the Minutes**

a) Town Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016

- Minute 44, Planning Notice of Appeal

The Town Clerk reminded Councillors that the Appeal by Public Inquiry regarding the proposed housing development on Sychnant Pass, Conwy by Beech Developments will begin in Bodlondeb on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2016

- Minute 44, Litter in Conwy

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that she still had not received a reply from ERF, CCBC regarding the litter issues

- Minute 44, Seagulls

Posters are available for Councillors to put in noticeboards to advise members of the public not to feed the seagulls

- Minute 44, Barclays Bank, Llandudno Junction

The Mayor & Councillor Roberts had met Mr Dhaliwal, Community Banking Director, Barclays Bank plc regarding the impending closure of the Llandudno Junction branch. The meeting had not gone well with Mr Dhaliwal stating that Llandudno Junction was finished as a town. Customers can use Llandudno or Llanrwst branches. He had tried to cancel the meeting. Councillors expressed their disappointment at his attitude.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk writes to Barclays Bank stating that the Town Council is extremely disappointed with Mr Dhaliwel's attitude, especially as there are plans for new retail units in the town. Closure of the branch will greatly affect existing businesses. A copy of the letter is sent to Guto Bebb, MP

- Minute 50, Relocation of Litter Bin, High Street, Conwy

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that the litter bin had been removed from outside the Mansion House in High Street & suggested that it should be located to a recessed area outside the Mail Coach by Edwards butchers

RESOLVED that the suggestion is put to the County Council

b) Special Meeting of the Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016

- Minute 132, Development in the Town Council Area

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that Mr Lowe, CCBC had not attended the meeting as he was unwell. Mr Harland, CCBC had felt that he had not received an official invite.

RESOLVED that Mr Harland & Mr Lowe are invited to a future meeting

- Minute 134, Conwy Civic Hall & Quay (Part)

Mr Peters, CCBC had written to the Town Clerk to clarify the Expressions of Interest process. A selected team of CCBC officers & external consultants will evaluate the EOs & recommend to the Project Board those to progress to the next round

- Minute 136, Planning, Placemaking Research from Cardiff University

The Town Clerk had received a reply from Dr.Morgan regarding a meeting with members of the Town Council. Possible dates are 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016. The Town Clerk will reply to Dr.Morgan to arrange the date

- Minute 139, Bus Shelters

The Town Clerk said that she had put posters in the Broad Street & Brynmaelgwyn Cottages.

There had been some response from the public. The closing date for responses is 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016

## 61. Town Clerk's Report

Councillors received the Town Clerk's report (Schedule A)

## 62. Planning

### a) Planning Applications

Councillors 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

## 63. Christmas

### a) Tree of Lights

The Town Clerk informed Councillors that she had not received any correspondence regarding the Tree of Lights

### b) Entertainment at the Christmas Eve Event

The Town Clerk said that Mr Hughes of MAD Sound & Lighting had been in contact regarding a singer who would like to perform at the Christmas Eve event free of charge. This would be alongside the Ysgol Aberconwy pupils

RESOLVED that the singer is asked to perform at the Christmas Eve Event

### c) MAD Sound & Lighting

Councillors received a quote from MAD Sound & Lighting for providing technical support, trailer stage, full line array pa, delay pa, technicians & travel for the Christmas Eve event of £2,600.00 plus vat

RESOLVED that the quote is accepted

#### **64. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales – Draft Annual Report 2017/18**

Councillors received details of the Draft Annual Report. Comments are required by 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The Town Clerk will email the website link to Councillors

RESOLVED that the Draft Annual Report is put onto a future agenda for discussion

#### **65. Guildhall Gas**

The Town Clerk had used LSI Energy to look at quotes for the gas supply at the Guildhall from 11/4/17. The recommended contract is from E-ON for 36 months at an estimated annual cost of £892.60. This is £643.50 cheaper than the quote from the current supplier

RESOLVED that the quote is accepted

#### **66. Approval of Payments**

RESOLVED that the following payments are approved:

- a) MAD Sound & Lighting – PA System for Remembrance Sunday 2015 - £345.00 plus vat
- b) MAD Sound & Lighting – Stage & Sound System for Conwy Christmas Eve Event 2015 - £2,345.00 plus vat

Along with the following payment:

- c) Viking – Stationery - £87.85 plus vat

#### **67. Cash Payments**

There were no Cash Payments

#### **68. List of Cheques**

RESOLVED that the list of cheques 353, is approved for payment (Schedule C)

#### **69. Mayoral Announcements**

The Mayor gave a report on events & functions she had attended in recent weeks.

She had attended the Honey Fayre, the Mayor of Bay of Colwyn's coffee morning & a number of coffee & cake events for Macmillan Cancer Support. St.Michaels RC Church, Conwy had celebrated its 100 year anniversary

Two events the Mayor found very moving were the Champion Awards & Headways. John Hartson gave a speech at the Champions Awards about his illness. At Headways the Mayor had met a man who had endured head injuries.

#### **70. Questions from the Residents**

There were no questions from residents

***There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:10pm***