

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th JULY 2022
AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor: Eileen Jones (Chair).

Councillors: John Pughe, Matthew Cooling, Rowan Smith, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Ron McCoo, Marisa O'Hara, Cathy Evans, Nancy Clarke.

OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk).

049. **PUBLIC SESSION**

Jack Fox spoke about the Margaret Barnard Development Project and Councillors had received a briefing sheet outlining the aims for the project. Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones reported that the project has the support of the Governors of Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn although the issue of the ownership of the land is yet to be resolved.

050. **APOLOGIES**

Councillors Gareth Mason, Alun Wyn Evans, Aled Lewis.

052. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND PERSONAL CONNECTION**

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Owner of a 5 member only Caravan Club site.
Councillor Matthew Cooling, Clerk to the Governors of Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn and Trustee of Cylch Meithrin Ty Mabon.
Councillor Nancy Clarke, Husband is a Trustee of the Ynysymaengwyn Trust.

053. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair reported the following:

- Attended a Primary Care meeting at Tywyn Health Centre to discuss future plans.
- Met with Anna Lewis from Gwynedd Council to discuss the Makerspace project,
- Thanked Councillor Ron McCoo for representing the Council at the Commonwealth Games Queen's Baton Relay.
- Attended a meeting with Gwynedd Council to discuss the arrangements for the Easter Market.
- Thanked Tommy Rowlands for his work in keeping the area by Cae Rhianfa looking tidy.

054. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 8th June 2022.

Proposed by Councillor Ron McCoo, seconded by Councillor John Pughe and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 8th June 2022.

055. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of an Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 22nd June 2022. **Proposed** by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Ron McCoo and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 22nd June 2022.

056. **TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE 2022**

Proposed by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2022.

057. **AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO REPORT BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOLLOWING THEIR ATTENDANCE AT EXTERNAL COMMITTEES**

No reports received

058. **OPPORTUNITY FOR TYWYN TOWN COUNCILLORS TO ASK QUESTIONS AND REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM GWYNEDD COUNCILLORS REGARDING MATTERS WITHIN THE REMIT OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL**

Councillor Marisa O'Hara asked about the opening of the paddling pool on the Promenade. Councillor John Pughe replied that the paddling pool would be opened at the start of the school summer holidays. Councillor Pughe added that the long term future of the paddling pool was unclear due to Health and Safety concerns and the removal of the pump and purification equipment due to it coming to the end of its working life.

Councillor Matthew Cooling asked if there had been any feedback following the installation of the new recycling bins on the Promenade. Councillor John Pughe replied that there had been none as yet.

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones updated the Council with the plans to install electric car charging points at the leisure centre. There are technical difficulties to overcome and discussions are continuing between Gwynedd Council and the contractors.

Councillor Eileen Jones asked about the article in the Cambrian News about the Corbett Arms Hotel. Councillor John Pughe replied that Gwynedd Council are working to resolve the situation and there is the possibility of a buyer coming forward. There is a detailed report on the actions taken to date available on request to Councillor John Pughe or the Clerk.

059. **TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk provided a written report to the Council which contained the following items:

- **Tywyn Makerspace**

A meeting was held with Gwynedd Council at the Station Building on June 30th to provide updates on the project. Network Rail now require Landlord's Consent for the proposed changes we wish to make to the room at the Station Building and this process is ongoing.

- **Cambrian News**

The Cambrian News has been sent the Agenda and Zoom link for tonight's meeting.

- Easter Market Road Closures
A site meeting was held on July 5th with Gwynedd Council regarding the issues raised around the Easter Market and road closures. Further meetings will be held in the coming months but it is not currently envisaged that there will be significant changes for the 2023 market.
- Queen's Baton Relay
The Baton Relay came to Llanegryn, Tywyn and Abergynolwyn on June 30th and by all accounts, the event was a great success. The event was extremely well supported and there was praise from Team Wales and the Police for our organisation of the event.
- Skatepark
Freestyle attended a site visit on July 12th to progress the redevelopment. A good discussion took place with Councillors and it is expected that work will begin in the next two months.
- Community Wifi
A site meeting was held with Menter Mon ahead of the installation of the Community Wifi project in Tywyn.

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones asked for an update on the skatepark. The Clerk responded that following the meeting with Freestyle, the final design is being worked on and it is hoped that work will start by the end of August.

Councillor John Pughe asked whether the Community Wifi could be extended to the Cinema. The Clerk replied that this has been discussed with the providers and will be included in Phase 2 of the project.

Proposed by Councillor Ron McCoo, seconded by Councillor Rowan Smith and **resolved** that the Clerk's report be accepted.

060. **MOTION TO APPOINT TWO COUNCILLORS TO REPRESENT TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL AT GWYNEDD COUNCIL'S ARDAL NI 2035/OUR AREA PLAN WORKSHOPS**

Councillors Matthew Cooling and Rowan Smith indicated that they would like to represent the Council.

Proposed by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Councillor John Pughe and **resolved** to appoint Councillors Matthew Cooling and Rowan Smith to represent Tywyn Town Council at Gwynedd Council's Ardal Ni 2035 / Our Area Plan workshops.

061. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

C22/0595/09/LL - Construction of a new Nursery and Welsh Language unit on the site of an existing secondary school Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn

C22/0609/09/DT - Single storey rear extension, 4 Cambrian Road, Tywyn

Proposed by Councillor Ron McCoo, seconded by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones and **resolved** to offer no objection to planning applications C22/0595/09/LL and C22/0609/09/DT

062. **TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE WHICH REQUIRES THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE**
Gwynedd Council requesting two Councillors be appointed to represent Tywyn Town Council at Gwynedd Council's Ardal Ni 2035 / Our Area Plan 2035 workshops.

063. **TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE WHICH COUNCILLORS HAVE RECEIVED BY E-MAIL**

1. Awel y Mor – Newsletter
2. Planning Aid Wales – Training information
3. One Voice Wales – National Forest for Wales Seminar
4. One Voice Wales – Natural Resources Wales Board Vacancies
5. One Voice Wales – Statutory guidance relating to the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.
6. One Voice Wales – Good Councillor's Guide 2022
7. Ystadau Cymru – Newsletter
8. Awel y Mor – Offshore Windfarm Project Update
9. Natural Resources Wales – Board Member Vacancies
10. One Voice Wales – Local Place for Nature Officer information
11. One Voice Wales – Meirionnydd Area Committee Meeting
12. One Voice Wales – Assets Collaboration Programme Wales
13. One Voice Wales – Age Cymru Newsletter
14. One Voice Wales – Training dates for July/August
15. Gwynedd Council - Rights of Way Improvement Plan
16. Tywyn Health Centre – Newsletter
17. Gwynedd Council – Planning application C22/0609/09/DT 4 Cambrian Road, Tywyn
18. Gwynedd Council – Planning application C22/0595/09/LL Nursery & Welsh Language Centre, Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn
19. Awel y Mor – Marine Licence Application and Consultation
20. Network Rail – Cambrian Coast Railway Update

Correspondence items noted.

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones asked if it was possible to reduce the number of emails forwarded to Councillors. Councillor Matthew Cooling replied that when the new website and domains are working, emails can be stored in the system. Councillor Eileen Jones asked when the website would be working and about website translation. Councillor Matthew Cooling replied the system just needs finalising and publishing and that there are automatic translation systems available which will help with translation.

064. **MOTION TO RECEIVE UPDATES CONCERNING YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST**
Due to the absence of Councillor Aled Lewis, no report was received.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 14th September 2022 at 7pm.

The meeting was closed at 7.40pm

CADEIRYDD / CHAIR