

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 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, Alun Wyn Evans, Olivia Woodward, Gareth Mason, Aled Lewis.

OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk).

065. **APOLOGIES**

None received.

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

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Owner of a 5 member only Caravan Club site.
Councillor Nancy Clarke, Husband is a Trustee of the Ynysymaengwyn Trust.

067. **A PRESENTATION BY NICOLA ATKIN, CAB GWYNEDD ON THE CURRENT COST OF LIVING CRISIS**

Nicola Atkin gave a presentation about the current cost of living crisis and measures that can be taken to mitigate the increase in costs that households are experiencing.

068. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair reported the following:

- Attended the Talylyn Railway Women's Volunteer Day.
- Cut the ribbon at the reopening of Advent following their renovations.
- Marked the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.
- Attended Council and Committee Meetings

069. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 13th July 2022.

Proposed by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and

resolved to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 13th July 2022 subject to corrections being made.

070. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of an Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 20th July 2022.

Proposed by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Councillor Matthew Cooling and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 20th July 2022.

071. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 21st September 2022.

Proposed by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 21st September 2022.

072. **TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JULY AND AUGUST 2022**

Proposed by Councillor Aled Lewis, seconded by Councillor Matthew Cooling and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for July and August 2022.

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

No reports received. Councillor Matthew Cooling asked any updates for Ardal Ni 2035 had been received? The Clerk responded that no dates for meetings had been received.

074. **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 reported complaints regarding parking along Idris Villas. Councillor John Pughe responded that Gwynedd Council would be making a site visit to observe the parking situation.

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones reported a proposal from Gwynedd Council to install bicycle parking racks in locations in Tywyn.

Councillor John Pughe reported repairs have been undertaken at the public toilets near the Promenade.

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

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

Tywyn Ffrij and Makerspace

- The swapping over of the rooms will be taking place shortly and it is hoped that the Makerspace will be up and running as soon as possible.

Translation

- I am looking into a new collaboration, announced in August between Microsoft and The Welsh Government, which will enable live translation through Teams. Updates will be provided as soon as I have more details.

Queen Elizabeth II

- The Council set up a Book of Remembrance in the Council Office for members of the public and followed all required protocols following the passing of the Queen.

Skatepark

- The Freestyle Collective Ltd has gone into administration and a notice to this effect has been placed on the noticeboard and on the Council's Facebook page.

Community Wifi

- The equipment for the Community Wifi has been installed in the office and on lamp posts in the High Street. We are waiting for a confirmed switch on date.

Social Prescribing

- A meeting was held with Ecodyfi about social prescribing activities offered by Ecodyfi and Coed Lleol. A local walk was undertaken with Ecodyfi and Councillor Eileen Jones and it is hoped that some local walks will soon be able to be added to the programme.

Race the Train

- A meeting was held with the organisers of Race the Train to resolve the situation concerning their use of the Cambrian Road Car Park without having sought permission to do so.

Remembrance

- A meeting was held with the RBL to discuss arrangements for a Remembrance Parade this year.

Cambrian News

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

Councillor Matthew Cooling asked how the enabling of translation facilities for Council Meetings was progressing and that updates be provided monthly on progress.

Proposed by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** that the Clerk's report be accepted.

076. **MOTION TO PURCHASE NEW CROSS STREET CHRISTMAS LIGHTS.**

Proposed by Councillor Eileen Jones, seconded by Councillor Ron McCoo and **resolved** to purchase new cross street Christmas lights.

077. **MOTION TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR GRANT FUNDING BY DYSYNNI HOCKEY CLUB.**

Proposed by Councillor Eileen Jones, seconded by Councillor Ron McCoo and **resolved** to award £500.00 to Dysynni Hockey Club towards their portable defibrillator appeal.

078. **MOTION TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR GRANT FUNDING BY SOUTH GWYNEDD
FOODBANK.**

Proposed by Councillor Aled Lewis, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to award £1000.00 to South Gwynedd Foodbank.

079. **TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE WHICH REQUIRES THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE**

None received.

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

1. Jack Fox – Margaret Barnard Development Project
2. Grŵp LleCHI Lleol Abergynolwyn a Tywyn Local Group – Agenda and minutes
3. One Voice Wales – “It’s for Them” mowing and grass cutting campaign
4. Gwynedd Council – Summer of Fun Initiative newsletter
5. Gwynedd Council – Planning application C22/0646/09/LL
6. Gwynedd Council – Licence application, Rivington
7. Freestyle - Payment Schedule
8. Gwynedd Council – Road closures for Race the Train
9. Tywyn Health Centre – August Newsletter
10. Aberdyfi Community Council – Letter to BCUHB
11. Lechi – High Street Regeneration Seminar
12. Ruth Hansford – Service of Commemoration for Her Majesty the Queen
13. One Voice Wales – Training Dates

Correspondence items noted.

081. **MOTION TO RECEIVE UPDATES CONCERNING YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST**

Councillor Aled Lewis reported:

Little works possible while the sites remain open and it is expected to be busy during the closed season.

There are issues with the fencing and stile between Ynysyngwyn and Ysguboriau which will be attended to.

Work will be proceeding to construct a launching pontoon for easy access to the river.

Plans are being drawn up to develop the old potting shed.

A tree near to the Lodge will need to be felled and will be replaced by Limes.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Ghost Walk.

One footbridge has been identified as needing to be replaced.

082. **MOTION TO EXCLUDE PRESS AND PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2A OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960.**

Proposed by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to exclude Press and Public in Accordance with Section 2A of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

083.

**TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE CLERK CONCERNING THE CAMBRIAN ROAD
RECREATION GROUND SKATEPARK DEVELOPMENT.**

The Clerk updated Councillors following The Freestyle Collective Limited going into administration and on the best way forward for the Council. Councillors discussed the options available and agreed that further information should be presented to the Council at the next Ordinary Meeting.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 12th October 2022 at 7pm.

The meeting was closed at 8.33pm

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