MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2023 AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT 7.00PM

- PRESENT: Councillor: Eileen Jones (Chair)
 - Councillors: John Pughe, Matthew Cooling, Ron McCoo, Nancy Clarke, Cathy Evans, Alun Wyn Evans, Aled Lewis, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Mark Kendall, Marisa O'Hara
- OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk)

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no questions from members of the public.

147. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Olivia Woodward.

148. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND PERSONAL CONNECTION

Councillor Nancy Clarke, Item 16, Husband is a Trustee of the Ynysymaengwyn Trust. Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Item 16, Owner of a 5 member only Caravan Club site. Councillor Matthew Cooling, Item 7, volunteer helper with Tywyn Brownies. Councillor Cathy Evans, Item 7, volunteer helper with Tywyn Brownies.

149. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair visited the Mumbles skatepark which is currently under development by Maverick Skateparks. Meetings were held with Directors of Maverick Skateparks, members of Mumbles Community Council and the Project Manager. The visit was very informative and worthwhile.

150. **<u>MINUTES</u>**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 11th January 2023. **Proposed** by Councillor Cathy Evans, seconded by Councillor Matthew Cooling and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 11th January 2023.

Councillor Matthew Cooling spoke to question Minute 132. and 133. Minute 132. showed Councillors John Pughe and Aled Lewis declaring an interest or personal connection and Minute 133. showed that they both voted on Agenda Item 3, Motion to co-opt one new Councillor to Tywyn Town Council. The Clerk will report back to Councillors regarding the guidance on Declarations of interest and personal connection.

152. <u>MINUTES</u>

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 11th January 2023. **Proposed** by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 11th January 2023.

153. MOTION TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING BY TYWYN CADETS

The applicants asked to defer the application to the March Ordinary Meeting.

154. MOTION TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING BY TYWYN BROWNIES

Councillors Matthew Cooling and Cathy Evans left the room.

Councillors discussed at length the application for grant funding and the merits of making an award. It was **Proposed** by Councillor Aled Lewis, seconded by Councillor Mark Kendall and **resolved** that £1000.00 be awarded to Tywyn Brownies

Councillors Matthew Cooling and Cathy Evans entered the room and re-joined the Meeting.

155. TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2022

Proposed by Councillor Nancy Clarke, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for January 2022.

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

No reports received.

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

Councillor Aled Lewis asked about Tywyn missing out on the camperhome aire project that Gwynedd Council are trialing. Councillor John Pughe replied that Tywyn was surveyed as a possible location and will make inquiries.

Councillor Matthew Cooling asked if there was any update to the Ardal Ni report, nothing has yet been received by Councillors or the Clerk.

158. TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT

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

<u>Skatepark</u>

Visited the Mumbles skatepark to meet with Maverick and have discussions with Councillors from Mumbles Council and the Project Manager.

Neptune Caravan Site

Attended a meeting at Neptune Caravan Site to discuss the reinstatement of the History Trail board and the issues of the pathway between the site and the beach which have not yet been resolved by Gwynedd Council.

Cambrian Road Car Park

The new parking charges will be implemented on March 1st.

<u>Allotments</u>

Had a meeting with committee members to discuss possible future works.

Station Building

A new electricity supplier has been appointed resulting in a 57% saving on the current tariff.

Cambrian News

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

Proposed by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** that the Clerk's report be accepted.

159. TO DISCUSS THE MERITS OF A NEW LOGO AND BRANDING FOR TYWYN

Councillors discussed at length whether there was a need for a new logo and branding for Tywyn. This had been discussed and supported by the Council a number of years ago and it was felt that now would be a good time to look again at how Tywyn presents itself publicly. It was agreed that this should be investigated further and is something that local schools and colleges could be involved with.

160. MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF NEW SECURITY FENCING FOR THE ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk updated the meeting as to the current situation at the allotments and the issues that plot holders have been experiencing. A grant has been applied for which would cover the work required.

It was **Proposed** by Councillor Aled Lewis, seconded by Councillor Ron McCoo and **resolved** to approve the purchase of new security fencing for the allotments.

161. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE WHICH REQUIRES THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE

None received.

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

- Planning Aid Wales Upcoming Training
- BCUHB Bite Sized Health Session and Survey
- Gwynedd Council Gwynedd and Anglesey Well-being Plan

163. MOTION TO RECEIVE UPDATES CONCERNING YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST

Councillor Aled Lewis provided the Meeting with the following updates:

- A tree felling licence has been obtained in order to fell diseased trees and a replanting plan will be in place by Easter.
- There are still issues with dog fouling and dogs being allowed to run free. All options are being looked at to resolve these issues.
- The Green Flag application for 2023 has been submitted.
- The Trust will be meeting this month to discuss ongoing projects.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 8th March 2023 at 7pm.

The meeting was closed at 8.12pm

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