

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH 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, Olivia Woodward, 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.

164. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Cathy Evans.

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

Councillor Nancy Clarke, Item 16  
Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Item 4, 5, 16  
Councillor Aled Lewis, Item 4  
Councillor Ron McCoo, Item 4, 5  
Councillor Marisa O’Hara, Item 5

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

Following a presentation to the Council by three Cadets and the Detachment Commander, Councillors discussed 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 Cadets.

167. **MOTION TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF TYWYN**

Councillors Aled Lewis, Anne Lloyd-Jones and Ron McCoo left the Meeting.

Councillors discussed at length the application for grant funding and the merits of making an award. The Motion was not **Proposed** and did not proceed to a vote.

Councillors Aled Lewis, Anne Lloyd-Jones and Ron McCoo rejoined the Meeting.

168. **MOTION TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING BY TYWYN & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF TOURISM AND COMMERCE**

Councillors Anne Lloyd-Jones, Ron McCoo and Marisa O'Hara left the Meeting.

Following a presentation to the Council by a representative of the CTC, Councillors questioned the representative and discussed the application for grant funding and the merits of making an award. Following a lengthy discussion, it was **Proposed** by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Mark Kendall and **resolved** to defer the application to enable the organisation to resubmit the application.

Councillors Anne Lloyd-Jones, Ron McCoo and Marisa O'Hara rejoined the Meeting.

169. **CHAIRS ACTIVITY REPORT**

The Chair reported her attendance at a One Voice Wales Code of Conduct training course.

170. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023. **Proposed** by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 8th February 2023.

171. **TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2022**

**Proposed** by Councillor Mark Kendall, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for February 2022.

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

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones reported her attendance at a One Voice Wales Code of Conduct training course and provided an Ardal Ni update.

Councillor Alun Wyn Evans reported attending the One Voice Wales February meeting where Liz Saville-Roberts provided an update on the work she is undertaking on local issues.

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

In response to questions from Councillors, Councillors John Pughe and Anne Lloyd-Jones responded that:

The Maritime Department will be asked to repaint the fingerpost at Neptune Hall when work on the paddling pool is being undertaken.

There will be a follow up to the letters that Gwynedd Council sent to cemetery plot holders about the rules concerning items allowed on graves.

ADRA will be asked to provide an update on the play park in Brynheulog.

There are plans in place to repair and repaint the Bailey Bridge.

Gwynedd Council will be asked to investigate campervans parking at Bailey Bridge and what can be done to stop them.

Gwynedd Council will be asked to ensure the bench in Idris Villas near Sandilands is fully accessible.

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

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

Skatepark

Discussions with Maverick are progressing, and it is hoped that the new design will be able to be made public shortly.

Defibrillator

Pads and a battery for the Neuadd Pendre defibrillator have been ordered and the defibrillator will be back in commission as soon as possible.

Cambrian Road Car Park

The new parking charges have come into force with the changes needed to the signage, PaybyPhone and the Pay and Display machine undertaken.

Allotments

The new fencing has been completed.

Cambrian News

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

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

175. **TO DISCUSS MEASURES THE COUNCIL COULD TAKE TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES CAUSED BY IRRESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS ON COUNCIL OWNED LAND**

Councillors discussed at length the issues of dog fouling at Ynysymaengwyn and the Cambrian Road Recreation Ground. It is felt a few irresponsible dog owners are spoiling things for the many. There is a PSPO regarding dogs which covers Ynysymaengwyn and the Recreation Ground however enforcement can be difficult.

176. **TO DISCUSS WHETHER THE COUNCIL WISHES TO MARK THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III**

The Council has previously marked significant Royal occasions by producing mugs which were distributed to school children. The Council felt that it was appropriate to continue this tradition and further enquiries will be made.

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

None received.

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

One Voice Wales – Cyber awareness training presentation

Correspondence from a member of the public regarding the shooting lease on the Dysynni River

One Voice Wales – Meirionnydd Area Committee Meeting

Snowdonia National Park – Planning Application NP5/79/362A Stone plinth information point, Happy Valley

One Voice Wales – Training needs survey

Planning Aid Wales – March Network Events

Gwynedd Planning – Application C23/0116/09/LL 1 Idris Villas, Tywyn LL36 9AW

Gwynedd Planning – Application C23/0150/09/AC Unit 7&8 Pendre Industrial Estate LL36 9LW

One Voice Wales – March training dates

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

Councillor Aled Lewis provided the Meeting with the following updates:

- A trust meeting was held to discuss and agree priorities for proposed future works.
- The advertisement for a Trust secretary has been distributed.
- The Green Flag application has been successful again. Maintenance work on some of the footbridges will be undertaken over the coming months and new fencing installed along the riverbank.
- All tree felling is licenced and has been undertaken following independent advice from Snowdonia National Park

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

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

The Clerk provided the Meeting with the plans for the new skatepark and provided updates from the developers.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 12th April 2023 at 7.00pm.

The meeting was closed at 9.07pm

**CADEIRYDD / CHAIR**