MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12th APRIL 2023 AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT 7.00PM

- PRESENT: Councillor: Eileen Jones (Chair)
 - Councillors: Cathy Evans, Matthew Cooling, Ron McCoo, Nancy Clarke, Olivia Woodward, Alun Wyn Evans, Aled Lewis, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Mark Kendall, Gareth Mason
- OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk)

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no questions from members of the public.

181. APOLOGIES

Councillors John Pughe, Marisa O'Hara.

182. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND PERSONAL CONNECTION

Councillor Nancy Clarke, Item 14 Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Item 10,11,14 Councillor Aled Lewis, Item 10 Councillor Ron McCoo, Item 10,11

183. CHAIR'S ACTIVITY REPORT

The Chair reported attending meetings with the Police to discuss local issues, the Macular Support Group and judging the Easter Bonnet Competition organised by the Margaret Barnard Trust.

184. **<u>MINUTES</u>**

To receive and approve: Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 8th March 2023. **Proposed** by Councillor Ron McCoo, seconded by Councillor Matthew Cooling and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 8th March 2023.

185. TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2023

Proposed by Councillor Aled Lewis, seconded by Councillor Alun Wyn Evans and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for March 2023.

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

Councillor Alun Wyn Evans reported that plans are in place to address the condition of the Bailey Bridge with works scheduled to begin shortly and the next One Voice Wales meeting will have the head of Coleg Meirion-Dwyfor Dolgellau as the guest speaker.

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

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones was asked whether any updates had been received regarding the placing of items on graves at Tywyn Cemetery and the ongoing issue of camper vans parking at Bailey Bridge. No updates have been received.

188. TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT

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

<u>Skatepark</u>

The last public engagement session went well with lots of feedback and we are now waiting for the final design before we can establish a start date for the build.

Defibrillator

The defibrillator at Neuadd Pendre is back in operation and has been registered with The Circuit national register of defibrillators.

History Trail Board

The History Trail Board has been reinstated on the promenade.

Cambrian News

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

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

189. MOTION THAT TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL TAKES PART IN THE 2023 NO MOW MAY CONSERVATION INITIATIVE

Councillors discussed the initiative and the benefits of restricting grass cutting during May. It was **Proposed** by Councillor Gareth Mason, seconded by Councillor Matthew Cooling and **resolved** that Tywyn Town Council takes part in the 2023 No Mow May conservation initiative.

190. MOTION TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF TYWYN 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 **Proposed** by Councillor Nancy Clarke but was not seconded and did not therefore proceed to a vote.

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

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

Councillors discussed at length the new application for grant funding and themerits of making an award as the webcam as a lot of interest in Tywyn is generated by its operation. It was noted that the organisation had already purchased the new camera. The Motion was not **Proposed** and did not proceed to a vote.

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

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

None received.

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

Gwynedd Council - Grwpiau Llechi Lleol / Local Slate Groups March Meeting North Wales Police – Neighborhood Policing Meeting Network Rail – Final phase of refurbishment work to Barmouth Viaduct Natural Resources Wales – Area Statement Review Welsh Government – Local Authority Ethical Standards Framework and Code of Conduct Welsh Government – Statement on Electoral reform Wales Air Ambulance - Newsletter

194. MOTION TO RECEIVE UPDATES CONCERNING YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST

Councillor Aled Lewis provided the Meeting with the following updates:

- The tree felling programme has been completed with the felled timber sold to offset the cost of the works.
- The brush clearence was undertaken in accordance to guidance provided by Snowdonia National Park.
- The new tree planting has been completed.
- An original arched stone bridge was uncovered during the brush clearing and it is planned to create a new path to include the bridge in the network of paths.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 10th May 2023 at 7.00pm.

The meeting was closed at 7.50pm

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