

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th DECEMBER 2024
AT 7.00pm AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Cllr. John Pughe (Chair)

Cllrs. Matthew Cooling, Nancy Clarke, Cathy Evans,
Eileen Jones, Mark Kendall, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Gareth Mason,
Ron McCoo, Marisa O'Hara, Olivia Woodward.

OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk)

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no questions from members of the public.

Cl 124. **1. APOLOGIES**
13.12.24 Cllr. Alun Wyn Evans.

Cl 125. **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR PERSONAL CONNECTION**
13.12.24 Cllr. Nancy Clarke, Item 18.
Cllr. Olivia Woodward, Item 13.
Cllr. Cathy Evans, Item 12.
Cllr. Matthew Cooling, Item 12.
Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones, Items 12 and 13.

Cl 126. **3. CHAIRMAN'S ACTIVITY REPORT**
13.12.24 The Chair reported attending the Llais North Wales Engagement meeting to gather the public's views on health and social care services in the Tywyn area. The Chair also reported attending the Tywyn Christmas Fair, which was very well supported, and gave thanks to all involved in ensuring the success of the event.

Cl 127. **4. MINUTES**
13.12.24 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 13th November 2024.
It was Proposed by Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Cllr. Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 13th November 2024.

Cl 128. **5. MINUTES**
13.12.24 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 27th November 2024.
It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Mark Kendall, seconded by Cllr. Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 27th November 2024.

Cl 129. **6. TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2024**
13.12.24 It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Nancy Clarke, seconded by Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for November 2024.

Cl 130.
13.12.24

7. TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk provided the following written report to the Council.

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair and Christmas Lights switch on event took place on Saturday November 16th. Despite the weather not being the best, the street market and indoor craft fair were both well attended with traders very happy with the footfall. The live music, which ran throughout the day was a great success with many local musicians given a good opportunity to perform in the heart of their community. The lantern making workshops, held ahead of the day, went really well with the lantern parade, which escorted Santa along the High Street to the Christmas Tree, being well supported. Feedback received has been very positive from both visitors and traders and the Police commented that the event was well organised.

Many thanks are due to Tywyn Events Organisation and Totaleigh Music, for their help in putting on a good community event, together with all the Councillors and members of the public who gave up their time to help.

Ffiws Tywyn

The Ffiws has again been busy this month with felting and lantern making workshops being held.

Llais

Attended a meeting with Llais to discuss the ward closure at Tywyn Hospital and options that Llais will be investigating in order to help achieve the best outcome for health provision in Tywyn.

PCSO's

Held meetings with the local PCSO's who provided updates on issues local to Tywyn together with updates on recent Police activity in Tywyn.

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

Cl 131.
13.12.24

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

Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones reported attending numerous Gwynedd Council meetings in the past month, including Religious Education, a Council Tax Premium presentation, Finance Committee. Other meetings attended included the Older Peoples Forum, Llais, the Slate Landscape Heritage Group AGM, Gwynedd Governors Forum, Cambrian Coast Liaison Group, Penybryn School Christmas Concert and the Dr Williams Trust.

Cllr. John Pughe reported attending Gwynedd Council meetings of the Scrutiny Care Committee and the Planning Committee.

Cl 132.
13.12.24

9. AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TYWYN COUNCILLORS TO ASK QUESTIONS AND RECEIVE A REPORT FROM GWYNEDD COUNCILLORS REGARDING MATTERS RELATED TO TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL

Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones reported the response that had been received from Gwynedd Council regarding the changes to the local bus service in Tywyn. Councillors discussed the response at length and asked that the Clerk investigate and report back on how Community Transport schemes operate in other areas.

- Cl 133.
13.12.24 **10. TO PREPARE A BUDGET FOR 2025-26 AND TO SUBMIT A PRECEPT REQUIREMENT TO GWYNEDD COUNCIL FOR THE 2025-26 FINANCIAL YEAR**
The Clerk introduced the Agenda item and reported the decisions of the Finance Committee who had agreed the proposed Budget and Precept. Following extensive discussions between Councillors about the income and expenditure of the Council it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Mark Kendall, seconded by Cllr. Nancy Clarke and **resolved** that the Budget for Tywyn Town Council for the 2025-26 Financial Year be £146,914.00. Further discussions were held between Councillors about the recommended precept requirement and it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Cllr. Gareth Mason and **resolved** to submit a precept requirement of £104,951.46 to Gwynedd Council for the 2025-26 Financial Year.
- Cllr. John Pughe passed the Chair of the Meeting to Cllr. Matthew Cooling due to him being a member of the Planning Committee of Gwynedd Council.
- Cl 134.
13.12.24 **11. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION C24/1007/09/DT
2 GARREG LWYD, TYWYN, GWYNEDD LL36 9HE**
Following a discussion between Councillors, it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Gareth Mason, seconded by Cllr. Ron McCoo and **resolved** that the Council offers no objection to Planning Application C24/1007/09/DT.
- Cl 135.
13.12.24 **12. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION C24/0986/09/LL
PENYBRYN SCHOOL FFORDD CADFAN, TYWYN, GWYNEDD LL36 9EF**
Following a discussion between Councillors, it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Gareth Mason, seconded by Cllr. Mark Kendall and **resolved** that the Council offers no objection to Planning Application C24/0986/09/LL.
- Cllr. Olivia Woodward left the meeting.
- Cl 136.
13.12.24 **13. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION C24/1027/09/LL
TREFRI, BRYNHYFRYD ROAD, TYWYN, GWYNEDD LL36 9HG**
Following a discussion between Councillors, it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Gareth Mason, seconded by Cllr. Mark Kendall and **resolved** that the Council offers no objection to Planning Application C24/0986/09/LL.
- Cllr. Olivia Woodward returned to the meeting.
- Cl 137.
13.12.24 **14. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION C24/0942/09/LL
GWALIA GARAGE, FFORDD GWALIA, TYWYN, GWYNEDD LL36 9DH**
Following a discussion between Councillors, it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Gareth Mason, seconded by Cllr. Mark Kendall and **resolved** that the Council offers no objection to Planning Application C24/0942/09/LL.
- Cllr. Matthew Cooling passed the Chair of the Meeting to Cllr. John Pughe.
- Cl 138.
13.12.24 **15. CORRESPONDENCE WHICH REQUIRES A RESPONSE FROM THE COUNCIL**
None received

Cl 139.
13.12.24 **16. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE WHICH COUNCILLORS HAVE RECEIVED BY E-MAIL**
Gwynedd Council – Planning application C24/1027/09/LL Trefri, Brynhyfryd Road, Tywyn, Gwynedd, LL36 9HG
Gwynedd Council Scrutiny Committee – Planning and Welsh Speaking Communities
Maverick Skateparks – One year inspection report
Gwynedd Council – Planning application C24/0986/09/LL Penybryn School, Ffordd Cadfan, Tywyn LL36 9EF
Gwynedd Council – Planning application C24/1007/09/DT 2 Garreg Lwyd, Tywyn, LL36 9HE
Gwynedd Council – Notice of Election
Gwynedd Council – Persons nominated for the Election
One Voice Wales – Older People’s Commissioner Questionnaire
One Voice Wales – Cost of Living Crisis Support Team Newsletter
Gwynedd Council – Planning application C24/0942/09/LL Gwalia Garage, Tywyn LL36 9DH

Correspondence noted.

Cl 140.
13.12.24 **17. MOTION TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2A OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960.**

Following a discussion between Councillors, it was **Proposed** by Cllr. Matthew Cooling, seconded by Cllr. Gareth Mason and **resolved** to exclude members of the Press and Public in Accordance with Section 2A of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

Cl 141.
13.12.24 **18. TO RECEIVE THE YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST REPORT**

Cllr. Mark Kendall, the Council’s representative on the Ynysymaengwyn Trust Committee, asked that the meeting be suspended or closed as he felt unable to continue and deliver his report. Cllr. John Pughe then closed the meeting.

The next Ordinary meeting of the Council is scheduled for Wednesday 15th January 2025 at 7.00pm.

The meeting was closed at 7.45pm

CADEIRYDD / CHAIR