

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th MAY 2022
AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor: Eileen Jones (Chair).

Councillors: John Pughe, Matthew Cooling, Alun Wyn Evans, Rowan Smith, Aled Lewis
Anne Lloyd-Jones, Gareth Mason, Ron McCoo, Marisa O'Hara, Cathy Evans,
Nancy Clarke.

OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk).

016. **APOLOGIES**

None received.

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

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Owner of a 5 member only Caravan Club site.
Councillor Eileen Jones, Treasurer of the Community Ffrij.

018. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair reported the following:

- Gave thanks to all Councillors for standing for re-election and for their support as over the last twelve months.
- Congratulated Councillors Anne Lloyd-Jones and John Pugh for being elected to Gwynedd Council.

019. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

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

Proposed by Councillor Ron McCoo, seconded by Councillor Rowan Smith and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 13th April 2022.

020. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 12th April 2022.

Proposed by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Alun Wyn Evans and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 13th April 2022.

021. **TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL 2022**

Proposed by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for April 2022.

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

No reports received

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

Councillor Cathy Evans asked if Gwynedd Council could look at the road closure scheme for the Easter Market 2023 as it is felt that the current scheme is not fit for purpose. Councillor Eileen Jones commented that the layout of the stalls could be better and Councillor Aled Lewis Councillor commented that the Council had asked that this issue be looked at three years ago. Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones asked that the Clerk write to Gwynedd Council to raise the concerns of the Council.

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

The Clerk reported the following items:

- Attended a meeting with the Gwynedd South Neighbourhood Policing Team and was updated on their Community Engagement work and ongoing policing plans.
- A meeting with Gwynedd Council at the Makerspace has been arranged for the end of the month with a view to proceeding with the project as soon as possible.
- The Cambrian News had been sent the Zoom link for the meeting.
- The defibrillator on the promenade was used on the 3rd of May. The used pads were replaced by Councillor Gareth Mason and the unit returned to active service. This is a good example of the importance of the defibrillators to Tywyn.
- A long conversation was held with Freestyle, further details will be given when we reach item 14.
- Nominations for Baton Bearers have been submitted to Team Wales.
- Attended a meeting at the Allotments to discuss security and plot issues which will be considered in due course at the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Ron McCoo, seconded by Councillor Gareth Mason and **resolved** that the Clerk's report be accepted.

025. **MOTION TO ALLOCATE £2000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING SUITABLE EQUIPMENT
FOR PROVIDING HYBRID MEETINGS AS OF JUNE'S ORDINARY MEETING**

Proposed by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to allocate £2000 for the purpose of purchasing suitable equipment for providing hybrid meetings as of June's Ordinary Meeting.

026. **MOTION TO OBTAIN GOV.WALES AND LLYW.CYMRU DOMAINS FOR THE COUNCIL WEBSITE AND EMAIL USE**

Proposed by Councillor Gareth Mason, seconded by Councillor John Pughe and **resolved** to obtain gov.wales and llyw.cymru domains for the Council website and email use.

027. **MOTION TO CONDUCT A COMMUNITY NEEDS SURVEY TO HELP DEVELOP A LOCAL PLACE PLAN AND ESTABLISH PRIORITIES FOR THE NEW COUNCIL.**

Proposed by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** to conduct a Community Needs Survey to help develop a Local Place Plan and establish priorities for the new Council.

028. **MOTION TO COMMIT TO ENABLING TRANSLATION FACILITIES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS.**

Proposed by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** to commit to enabling translation facilities for Council Meetings.

029. **MOTION TO TERMINATE THE COUNCIL'S RELATIONSHIP WITH FREESTYLE PLACES.**

The Clerk gave an update to the Council of a recent conversation with Freestyle Places. Freestyle places have committed to producing a new design in accordance with the Council's instructions and are keen to proceed with the project. In view of this, the Clerk asked for this to be taken into consideration and that the motion be deferred to the next Ordinary Meeting.

Proposed by Councillor Gareth Mason, seconded by Councillor Rowan Smith and **resolved** to defer this item to the June Ordinary Meeting.

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

None received

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

1. Planning Aid Wales - latest news and information
2. Mantell Gwynedd - Volunteer Celebration and Thank You Event
3. One Voice Wales - Training update

Correspondence items noted.

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

Councillor Aled Lewis reported:

- The Trust is reviewing the usage of all buildings.
- The site is very quiet at the moment - possibly due to increased fuel costs.
- The next Green Flag Award cycle begins in the Autumn with an update due at the next meeting.
- There has been no improvement with the issue of dog fouling and a mixed response to the requests to keep dogs on leads.
- The Woodland Trust have been invited to visit following the meeting of the Tywyn Garden Club.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 8th June 2022 at 7pm.

The meeting was closed at 8.07pm

CADEIRYDD / CHAIR