

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017**  
**AT YSGOL UWCHRADD TYWYN AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Alun W. Evans (Chair)

Councillors: Ron W. McCoo, Nancy E. Clarke, Richie Owens  
John H. Boulter, Mark D. Kendall, Mike Stevens  
Eileen M. Ellis, Anne Lloyd-Jones, John Pughe  
Dan A. Wyre

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Bedwyr Gwilym (Town Clerk)

Cl. 184 **APOLOGIES:**  
11.01.17

Councillor Islwyn H. Davies

Cl. 185 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**  
11.01.17

No Councillor declared a personal or prejudicial interest.

Cl. 186 **CHAIRMAN'S ACTIVITY REPORT:**  
11.01.17

Councillor Alun Evans thanked Tywyn Events Organisation for their assistance in organising the Santa's Grotto and music for the town's Christmas lights switch-on, thanked pupils at Ysgol Pen-y-Bryn for judging the best-dressed window competition, and congratulated Wendy's News on winning first prize in the said competition.

The Chairman noted the following engagements:

- 16.12.16 Attended an Event at Talyllyn Railway
- 21.12.16 Visited staff and patients at Tywyn and District Hospital

At approximately 7:03pm Councillor Dan Wyre entered the meeting.

Cl. 187 **RECEIVE AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON**  
11.01.17 **WEDNESDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2016**

**RESOLVED:** To receive and approve the minutes, with Councillor Mark Kendall proposing and Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones seconding the proposal, with a correction to item Cl. 170, to read as follows: To offer Bob Roberts' clock on loan to Neuadd Pendre for it to be on display.

Cl. 188 **RECEIVE AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON**  
11.01.17 **TUESDAY, 10 JANUARY 2017**

**RESOLVED:** To receive and approve the minutes, with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor John Boulter seconding the proposal.

Cl. 189  
11.01.17

**CREATING A PUMP PARK AT THE RECREATION GROUND**

Councillor Dan Wyre outlined recent developments and information received since the last Council meeting.

- Met a local architect in order to discuss applying for planning permission.
- Awaiting information from Bro Dysynni Leisure Group regarding its involvement in the project.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the information.

Cl. 190  
11.01.17

**APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2016**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the Treasurer's Report for December 2016.

Cl. 191  
11.01.17

**GWYNEDD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

To receive verbal reports from Gwynedd Councillors on matters in the Council's interest.

Gwynedd Councillor Mike Stevens reported the following:

- Had been very quiet over the festive period.
- Attended a meeting on 11.01.17 at Caernarfon.
- A reported recently found that Wales' economy is the weakest in the whole of the United Kingdom and that Wales has the worst education system in the United Kingdom.
- Gwynedd Council received a fine of £73,000 for bad waste management in Tywyn. No details of the fine had been received from Gwynedd Council.
- Written to Dafydd Elis-Thomas AM for Dwyfor-Meirionnydd, with the aim of inviting Ken Skates AM, Cabinet Secretary for Transport and Economy to Tywyn in order to discuss the proposed Pont ar Ddyfi.

Gwynedd Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones reported the following:

- Gwynedd Council had not informed local members prior to the Court case and a lack of communication had been received. First became aware of the bad waste management fine through reading about it in the Daily Post.
- Gwynedd Council holding sessions to raise awareness of the role of councillor and to prepare prospective candidates for being county councillors. Sessions aim to encourage more women, young people, ethnic minorities and members of other under-represented groups to consider standing to become councillors.
- Tourism in north west Wales has secured £155,000 from the Welsh Government through Visit Wales to promote tourism through innovative products e.g. street performances, digital marketing and social media.

- Gwynedd Council's Trading Standards team have recently received reports of suspected scam phone-calls from an individual claiming to be from a phone provider and asking for personal data. The Trading Standards team are advising the public not to share personal or bank details with cold callers.
- Gwynedd Council is looking for people to work as homecare workers, to provide home care to older and vulnerable people in Meirionnydd.
- Attended meetings on 6.01.17 and 9.01.17, to meet with four companies bidding for the new Wales and Borders Rail Franchise which will commence in October 2018. The four companies bidding are, Arrive Trains Wales, Amey, MTR and abellio. All present at the meeting were able to put forward what they wanted as individuals:
  - Current services including cross-border to remain as they are
  - Would like to see full hourly 7 day service
  - Integrated public transport
- Shrewsbury Aberystwyth Rail Liaison Committee will be holding two surveys during 2017, with the first in April and the second in August.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the information from the County Councillors.

Cl. 192  
11.01.17

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

**RESOLVED:** No report given from External Committees.

Cl. 193  
11.01.17

**CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk's report was circulated to Councillors.

Councillor Mike Stevens expressed his dissatisfaction with the Clerk's report due to no update being provided to Councillors on:

- preparing a lease to be issued to Tallylyn Railway Company Ltd for Cambrian Road Car Park
- sublease of Railway Buildings
- erecting a fence at Ynys-y-Maengwyn and adverse possession claim

The Town Clerk explained that correspondence had been received from Morris & Bates Solicitors, with the solicitor requesting further information in relation to granting a lease of Cambrian Road Car Park and subleasing Tywyn Railway Buildings. The Town Clerk confirmed that each query had been answered and no action is required at this time by the Council.

The Town Clerk explained that matters relating to fencing Ynys-y-Maengwyn Trust land and an application for adverse possession of Ynys-y-Maengwyn Trust land are delegated to a committee; Ynys-y-Maengwyn Trust Committee. With all matters relating to the charity reported to and discussed at Ynys-y-Maengwyn Trust Committees.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the Clerk's report.

**TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence That Necessitates Action by the Council.

- Cl. 194  
11.01.17 One Voice Wales - Battle's Over - A Nation's Tribute
- RESOLVED:** Councillor Mark Kendall proposed, with Councillor John Pughe seconding the proposal, to purchase a gas-fuelled beacon, including a gas canister and to make enquires regarding placing the beacon at Tŷ Mawr.
- Cl. 195  
11.01.17 Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for North Wales - public meeting
- RESOLVED:** Town Clerk to organise a public meeting, to arrange simultaneous translation, with the meeting to be held at Neuadd Pendre and Councillor Alun W. Evans as Council Chairman and Town Mayor to Chair the meeting.
- Cl. 196  
11.01.17 Welsh Government - Consultation on banning the use of plastic microbeads in cosmetics and personal care products
- RESOLVED:** To write a letter supporting a ban on the use of plastic microbeads in cosmetics and personal care products.
- Cl. 197  
11.01.17 Welsh Governmen - Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2017-18
- RESOLVED:** To accept the information.
- Cl. 198  
11.01.17 National Assembly for Wales - Consultation on changing the name of the National Assembly
- RESOLVED:** Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposed, with Councillor Alun Evans seconding the proposals not to respond to the consultation as a Council, with Councillors able to respond as individuals.
- Cl. 199  
11.01.17 Welsh Government - Consultation on the Welsh Transport Appraisal Guidance (WeITAG) 2017
- RESOLVED:** Tywyn Town Council not to respond to the consultation, with Councillors able to respond as individuals.
- Cl. 200  
11.01.17 Correspondence Received That Does **Not** Necessitate Action by the Council
- And Is Available At The Clerk's Office For Perusal By Any Interested Councillor
- (a) Talking Health - Newsletter
  - (b) Gwynedd Council - Corporate Support - Gwynedd Council Standards Committee - Annual Report 2015 / 2016
  - (c) Gwynedd Council - Regulatory Department - Building site in untidy condition
  - (d) Public Services Ombudsman for Wales - Code of conduct complaint made against Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones of Tywyn Town Council by Councillor George Michael Stevens
  - (e) NatWest - Investigation of complaint ongoing

(f) Gwynedd Council - Highways Maintenance and Municipal Service - Works Programme January, 2017

The meeting was declared closed at 7:45pm

**MINUTES** of the Planning Committee  
held in the Committee Room, Council Office, High Street, Tywyn,  
on Tuesday, 10 January, 2017 at 5.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Cllr. Alun W.Evans (Chairman)  
N.E.Clarke; R.E.Owens; A.Lloyd-Jones; J.Pughe; J.H.Boulter

**IN ATTENDANCE:** None

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Bedwyr Gwilym (Town Clerk)

**1. APOLOGIES:** R.W.McCoo; G.M. Stevens

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

No Councillor declared a personal or prejudicial interest.

Councillors declared that the Town Council is administering a community fund on behalf of the developer (Item 3.2).

**3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**3.1**

C16/1541/09/LL Change of use from shop storeroom to tattoo studio

Shop 3, The Manse, Stryd Fawr, Tywyn, Gwynedd, LL36 9AE

**RECOMMENDATION:** No objection.

**3.2**

C16/1608/09/LL Retrospective application to retain storage container for use to store equipment

Land at Morfa Camp, Sandilands, Tywyn, Gwynedd, LL36 9BH

**RECOMMENDATION:** No objection.

**3.3**

C16/1624/09/AM Outline planning application to erect a two storey detached dwelling and detached garage

Land near Rhianfa, Neptune Road, Tywyn, Gwynedd, LL36 ODN

**RECOMMENDATION:** No objection.

The meeting was declared closed at 5:10pm