

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20TH APRIL 2016
AT YSGOL UWCHRADD TYWYN AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor John Boulter (Chair)

Councillors: Ron W. McCoo, John Pughe, Richie E. Owens, Nancy E. Clarke, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Mike Stevens, Alun W. Evans, Islwyn H. Davies, Eileen M. Ellis, Mark D. Kendall, Richard M. Vaughan

OFFICERS PRESENT: Bedwyr Gwilym (Town Clerk)

Cl. 234
20.04.16 **APOLOGIES:**

None

Cl. 235
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Cllr Nancy Clarke (Cl. 237)

At approximately 6:05pm Councillors Anne Lloyd-Jones and Eileen Ellis entered.

Cl. 236
20.04.16 **NOVUS ENERGY COMMUNITY FUND AGREEMENT**

The Clerk explained there had been a delay with the agreement due to legal advice received regarding a confidentiality clause, which has now been removed in its entirety by Novus.

Mr Ed Jessamine was present to discuss the Community Fund and it was reported that it was not for Novus to tell Tywyn Town Council how the fund should be spent.

At approximately 6:06pm Councillor Mike Stevens entered.

Mr Ed Jessamine explained that Novus through the Community Fund Agreement would either pay an annual payment of £4,000 for every year that the Solar Array is operational, with the payment not indexed linked, or a lump sum of £40,000 NPV, or an option to choose a lump sum and an annual payment.

Information was given as to how supplying electricity directly from the Solar Array to Gwynedd Council's buildings in Tywyn would work.

At approximately 6:23pm Councillor Mark Kendall entered.

Councillor Mike Stevens proposed, with Councillor Islwyn Davies seconding the proposal to accept a lump sum. A counter proposal was made by Councillor Ron McCoo to accept an annual payment, with the proposal seconded by Councillor Richard Vaughan.

It was put to the vote

In favour of receiving a lump sum: Councillors: John Pughe, Mike Stevens, Islwyn Davies

In favour of receiving an annual payment: Councillors: Alun Evans, Nancy Clarke, Richie Owens, Richard Vaughan, Ron McCoo Eileen Ellis, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Mark Kendall

Abstained: Councillor John Boulter

RESOLVED: To accept the Community Fund Agreement, with an annual payment of £4,000.

Cl. 237
20.04.16

CHRISTMAS 2016 ILLUMINATIONS

ClIr Nancy Clarke declared a personal interest.

Four possible dates were given to switch the town's Christmas illuminations, these being: Friday, November 25th; Saturday, November 26th; Friday, December 2nd or Saturday, December 3rd.

RESOLVED: Councillor Richard Vaughan proposed, with Councillor John Pughe seconding the proposal to switch the town's Christmas illuminations on Saturday, November 26th 2016.

Cl. 238
20.04.16

QUOTATION TO REPAIR SKATE RAMP

A quotation had been received to repair the skate ramp by Ches Metalwork, with a reduction given if the repair was made at the same time as painting the ramps. A discussion was held regarding the future of the ramps, with the repair costs for the last five years presented.

RESOLVED: Councillor Richard Vaughan proposed, with Councillor Mark Kendall seconding the proposal to accept the quotation, with the work to be completed at the same time as the painting, a full report to be given as to the ramps future and an opportunity for Councillors to have a site-meeting with the contractor.

Cl. 239
20.04.16

LEASE OF THE OLD TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

The Town Clerk confirmed that Evans-Roberts Solicitors had received a copy of the lease and there were no concerns regarding the terms included within the lease. Furthermore, Gwynedd Council had repaired the roof in order to stop rainwater penetrating the interior walls and the interior walls are due to be re-plastered by Gwynedd Council.

RESOLVED: Councillor Richard Vaughan proposed with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones seconding the proposal to accept the lease offered by Gwynedd Council and to sign the lease when all the repair work is completed.

Cl. 240
20.04.16

PARKING ORDER ON MARINE PARADE CAR PARK, TYWYN

A letter had been received by Gwynedd Council's Property Service regarding the Council's intention to issue a parking order to charge a fee for parking vehicles on Marine Parade.

RESOLVED: Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposed, with Councillor Mark Kendall seconding the proposal to write to Gwynedd Council's Legal Services to object to the proposed parking order, on the grounds that charging a fee for parking would have a detrimental effect on the town, by encouraging motorists to park on nearby residential streets, charging would harm the town's economy, which is dependent on tourism and that Gwynedd Council is not legally able to charge on land donated by deed to the Local Board for the use of local residents.

Cl. 241
20.04.16

TENDERS FOR CLEANING THE COUNCIL OFFICE

Two tenders were received for cleaning the Council Office.

RESOLVED: Councillor Mark Kendall proposed with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones seconding the proposal to accept the tender received by Scrubadub Cleaning.

Cl. 242
20.04.16

TENDERS FOR CLEANING BUS SHELTERS

Two tenders were received for cleaning Bus Shelters.

RESOLVED: Councillor Richard Vaughan proposed with Councillor John Pughe seconding the proposal to accept the tender received by Scrubadub Cleaning.

Cl. 243
20.04.16

TENDERS FOR SUPPLYING AND PLANTING SUMMER PLANTS

Two tenders were received for Supplying and Planting Summer Plants.

RESOLVED: Councillor Islwyn Davies proposed with Councillor Mike Stevens seconding the proposal to accept the tender received by Scrubadub Cleaning.

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20.04.16

TENDERS FOR WATERING, CARING AND FEEDING OF HANGING PLANTERS AND FLOOR PLANTING PLANTERS

Two tenders were received for Watering, Caring and Feeding of Hanging Planters and Floor Standing Planters.

RESOLVED: Councillor Mark Kendall proposed with Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the proposal to accept the tender received by Scrubadub Cleaning.

Cl. 245
20.04.16

SUBLEASE OF RAILWAY BUILDINGS TO TYWYN SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

The Clerk informed the Council that the draft sublease was still in the process of being prepared by Evans-Roberts Solicitors. It was reported by a Councillor that new door locks had been fitted.

RESOLVED: Councillor Mark Kendall proposed that the Town Clerk confirms whether the locks have been changed and to report the matter to the Police if they have been changed, Councillor John Pughe seconded the proposal.

Cl. 246
20.04.16

LEASE OF CAMBRIAN ROAD CAR PARK TO TALYLLYN RAILWAY COMPANY LTD

The Clerk informed the Council that the draft lease was still in the process of being prepared by Evans-Roberts Solicitors.

RESOLVED: To accept the information.

The meeting was declared closed at 7:45pm