

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023**  
**AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor: Eileen Jones (Chair).

Councillors: John Pughe, Matthew Cooling, Ron McCoo, Nancy Clarke, Olivia Woodward, Cathy Evans, Alun Wyn Evans, Aled Lewis, Anne Lloyd-Jones.

**OFFICER PRESENT:** Chris Wood (Clerk).

**PUBLIC SESSION**

There were no questions from members of the public.

131. **APOLOGIES**

Councillors Marisa O’Hara, Gareth Mason.

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

Councillor Nancy Clarke, Item 16, Husband is a Trustee of the Ynysmaengwyn Trust.  
Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, Item 16, Owner of a 5 member only Caravan Club site.  
Councillor John Pughe, Item 3, member of an organisation alongside one of the applicants.  
Councillor Aled Lewis, Item 3, member of an organisation alongside one of the applicants.

133. **MOTION TO CO-OPT ONE NEW COUNCILLOR TO TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL**

The candidates had both completed the co-option application form which had been distributed to Councillors in advance of the meeting. Each candidate spoke in support of their application and responded to questions from Councillors.

A recorded vote was requested by Councillor John Pughe.

For Paul Cartwright: Councillors Alun Wyn Evans, Aled Lewis, Matthew Cooling.

For Mark Kendall: Councillors Eileen Jones, Cathy Evans, John Pughe, Olivia Woodward, Nancy Clarke, Ron McCoo, Anne Lloyd-Jones.

Mark Kendall was co-opted to Tywyn Town Council.

134. **CHAIR’S REPORT**

The Chair had no updates to report.

135. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

**Proposed** by Councillor John Pughe, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 7th December 2022.

136. **MINUTES**

To receive and approve:

Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

**Proposed** by Councillor Matthew Cooling, seconded by Councillor Eileen Jones and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 4th January 2023.

137. **TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2022**

**Proposed** by Councillor Alun Wyn Evans, seconded by Councillor Matthew Cooling and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for December 2022.

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

No reports received.

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

Councillor Eileen Jones asked for an update about the raised area by the Barclays Bank ATM. Councillor John Pugh responded that there has been no response yet.

Councillor Alun Wyn Evans asked if there had been any progress on the Tywyn to Aberdyfi multi use path. Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones replied there is nothing new to report and that negotiations with landowners are continuing.

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

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

**Cambrian Road Recreation Ground**

Network Rail vacated the site on December 20<sup>th</sup> with work to restore the grass expected to be undertaken in March.

Dog fouling on the field continues to be an issue and new signs prohibiting dog walking are being ordered.

**Skatepark**

Work is progressing with Maverick but we are still waiting for Dwr Cymru Welsh Water to provide updates on the sewer pipe.

### Defibrillators

The Minutes from 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 show that Tywyn Town Council resolved to purchase a defibrillator to be installed at Neuadd Pendre. The defibrillator at Neuadd Pendre will be brought back into commission as soon as possible and added to our asset register and to the Circuit database.

### Cambrian News

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

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

#### 141. **MOTION TO ADOPT A HABITUAL OR VEXATIOUS COMPLAINANTS POLICY**

Councillors discussed at length the Habitual or Vexatious Complainants Policy put forward by the Clerk. The Clerk was questioned on the need to adopt such a policy and how it would be implemented. It was **Proposed** by Councillor Alun Wyn Evans, seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis and **resolved** that Tywyn Town Council adopt the Habitual or Vexatious Complainants Policy put forward by the Clerk.

#### 142. **MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET FOR 2023/24**

Councillors discussed increasing the parking charges, not increasing the parking charges and comparisons to other car park charges.

It was **Proposed** by Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to approve the Budget proposed by the Finance Committee on Wednesday 11th January.

#### 143. **MOTION TO SET THE PRECEPT FOR 2023/24**

Following advice from Gwynedd Council regarding the Second Homes Premium and additional money that would be available to Tywyn Town Council without there being an increase in the Band D Council Tax, the Clerk proposed that the Precept for 2023/24 be £98,926.85. It was **Proposed** by Councillor Aled Lewis, seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke and **resolved** that Tywyn Town Council set a Precept of £98,926.85 for the year 2023/24.

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

None received.

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

- Gwynedd Council – Amendments to Planning Application C22/0595/09/LL - Cyngor Gwynedd, Ysgol Uwchradd Tywyn, Station Road, Tywyn, Gwynedd, LL36 9EU
- One Voice Wales – News bulletin
- One Voice Wales - Training dates
- Gwynedd Council – Proposed changes to speed limits
- One Voice Wales – Change of Date Meirionnydd Meeting

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**MOTION TO RECEIVE UPDATES CONCERNING YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST**

Councillor Aled Lewis provided the Meeting with the following updates:

- The site has been very quiet over the Christmas holidays.
- The access office confirmed that it is legal to launch from Ynysymaengwyn and it is hoped to establish a code of conduct with local landowners.
- Old fencing is to be reestablished by the river bank due to cattle damage.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 8th February 2023 at 7pm.

The meeting was closed at 8.05pm

**CADEIRYDD / CHAIR**