

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th OCTOBER 2023
AT 7.00pm AT NEUADD PENDRE AND ONLINE VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Cllr. Nancy Clarke (Chair)

Cllrs. Matthew Cooling, Ron McCoo, Cathy Evans, Gareth Mason
Alun Wyn Evans, Anne Lloyd-Jones, Mark Kendall, Eileen Jones,
Marisa O’Hara, Aled Lewis.

OFFICER PRESENT: Chris Wood (Clerk)

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no questions from members of the public.

Cl 089. **1. APOLOGIES**
11.10.23 Cllrs. John Pughe, Olivia Woodward.

Cl 090. **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR PERSONAL CONNECTION**
11.10.23 Cllr. Nancy Clarke, Item 14.
Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones, Item 11.

Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones left the meeting.

Cl 091. **11. MOTION TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING BY THE TYWYN &**
11.10.23 **DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY**
Item 11 was moved up the Agenda.
Members of the Tywyn & District History Society spoke in support of the application.
Councillors asked questions on a number of aspects of the application including had any fundraising been undertaken by the society, would there be any changes to the leaflets, would a single bilingual leaflet be more cost effective, has sponsorship been investigated? Following discussion on the matters raised, it was agreed to defer the application to a future meeting to allow the applicants time to gather more information.

Cllr. Anne Lloyd- Jones returned to the meeting.

Cl 092. **3. CHAIRMAN’S ACTIVITY REPORT**
11.10.23 In the absence of the Chairman, no report was presented.

Cl 093. **4. MINUTES**
11.10.23 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 13th September 2023.
It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Mark Kendall, seconded by Cllr. Aled Lewis and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 13th September 2023.

- CI 094. **5. MINUTES**
11.10.23 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 20th September 2023.
It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Mark Kendall, seconded by Cllr. Marisa O’Hara and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 20th September 2023.
- CI 095. **6. MINUTES**
11.10.23 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 6th September 2023.
It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Marisa O’Hara, seconded by Cllr. Nancy Clarke and **resolved** to receive and approve the Minutes of the meeting of 6th September 2023.
- CI 096. **7. TO APPROVE THE TREASURER’S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2023**
11.10.23 It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Aled Lewis, seconded by Cllr. Mark Kendall and **resolved** to receive and approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2023.
- CI 097. **8. TO RECEIVE THE CLERK’S REPORT**
11.10.23 The Clerk provided a written report to the Council which reported on the following items:
Skatepark
Christmas Lights Event
Tywyn Free WiFi
Remembrance
Scribe Accounts
Air Ambulance Review
Defibrillators

It was **Proposed** by Cllr. Mark Kendall, seconded by Cllr. Eileen Jones and **resolved** that the Clerk’s report be accepted.
- CI 098. **9. AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO REPORT BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOLLOWING THEIR ATTENDANCE AT EXTERNAL COMMITTEES**
11.10.23 Cllr. Alun Wyn Evans reported the following:
Attended the October meeting of the One Voice Wales Meirionnydd Area Committee with presentations from Planning Aid Wales on challenging housing developments and a digital connection specialist on connectivity and hybrid meeting issues for councils.
The condition of the Bailey Bridge has been raised although there is currently a dispute between Gwynedd Council and the contractors as to who is responsible.
Gwynedd Council has agreed to make repairs to the damage to the road that runs from Rhydyronen to Cwrt.
- CI 099. **9. AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TYWYN COUNCILLORS TO ASK QUESTIONS AND RECEIVE A REPORT FROM GWYNEDD COUNCILLORS REGARDING MATTERS RELATED TO TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL**
11.10.23 Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones reported on initial discussions taking place at Gwynedd Council regarding next year’s budget. At present, it is looking likely that there will have to be cuts to some services but nothing has been agreed and further meetings will be held before the budget is set.
Cllr. Alun Wyn Evans asked about the road closure by Dyfi Bridge next year. Cllr. Anne Lloyd-Jones responded that no meetings have been arranged other than the public sessions that the contractors have advertised.

Cl 100. **16. CORRESPONDENCE WHICH REQUIRES A RESPONSE BY THE COUNCIL**

11.10.23 None received.

Cl 101. **17. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE WHICH COUNCILLORS HAVE RECEIVED BY E-MAIL**

11.10.23 One Voice Wales – Pethau Bychain Meeting
Llechi – Slate Communities Survey
Network Rail – Update on Barmouth Viaduct
One Voice Wales – D-Day 80 information
Transport for Wales – Aberystwyth to Machynlleth Railway Closure Notice

Correspondence noted.

Cl 102. **18. TO RECEIVE UPDATES CONCERNING YNYSYMAENGWYN TRUST**

11.10.23 As Chairman of Ynysymaengwyn Trust, Cllr. Aled Lewis provided the following updates to the Meeting:

The application for the Green Flag Award for 2024 has been successful.

Questions were raised regarding the introduction of the beehives and their impact on the local established colonies but there is no issue arising from their introduction.

New fencing along the riverbank will be undertaken.

It is hoped that a Trust secretary will be in post soon.

There have been issues with river users and anglers being harassed and the situation is being monitored. River users are encouraged to report all instances of abuse to the police.

The next Ordinary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 8th November 2023 at 7.00pm.

The meeting was closed at 7.46pm

CADEIRYDD / CHAIR