

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2019
AT YSGOL UWCHRADD TYWYN AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor: Nancy Clarke (Chair)

Councillors: Ron W. McCoo, Eileen Jones, Quentin Deakin, Alun Wyn Evans, Aled Lewis, Hilary Rowlands, John Pughe, Anne Lloyd-Jones

OFFICERS PRESENT: Francesca Pridding (Town Clerk)

Cl. 175 **APOLOGIES:**
13.02.19 Councillors: Cathy Evans, Marisa O'Hara, Hattie Webb, Mike Stevens

Cl. 176 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**
13.02.19 Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones - Item 14

Cl. 177 **TALK BY MEMBERS OF GREENER TYWYN**
13.02.19 The meeting was addressed by Richard Garrett from Greener Tywyn Gwyrdd who gave some background information regarding climate change. He told the Council that humans have already caused irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt around the world. Global temperatures have already increased by 1 degree Celsius from pre-industrial levels. Atmospheric CO2 levels are above 400 parts per million (ppm). This far exceeds the 350 ppm deemed to be a safe level for humanity.

The IPCC's Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C, published in October, describes the enormous harm that a 2°C rise is likely to cause compared to a 1.5°C rise, and told us that limiting Global Warming to 1.5°C may still be possible with ambitious action from national and sub-national authorities, civil society, the private sector and local communities.

Climate change is already having disastrous impacts on people in developing countries where most of the people affected produce very low carbon emissions themselves.

Councils around the world are responding by declaring a 'Climate Emergency' and committing resources to address this emergency.

The group would like Tywyn Town Council to commit to the same and:

1. Declare a 'Climate Emergency';
2. Support a community-led consultation enabled by Greener Tywyn Gwyrdd to develop an action plan to:
 - reduce Tywyn's Greenhouse gas emissions to net zero as soon as possible;
 - make Tywyn more resilient to climate impacts (eg strong winds/ higher tides/drought);
 - maximise local benefits of these actions in other sectors such as health, agriculture, transport and the economy;

3. Call on Wales and UK Government to provide the support and resources to make this possible;
4. Work with other local organisations, particularly the community councils and other partners in the area.
5. Discuss with Renew Wales how they might support this process.

Greener Tywyn Gwyrth has 702 signatures in support of their request, 188 of which are school children from the town and the support of St Cadfan's Church and the Baptist Church.

Cl. 178
13.02.19 **CHAIRMAN'S ACTIVITY REPORT**
None

Cl. 179
13.02.19 **MINUTES:**
Receive and approve: -

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 09 January 2019

RESOLVED: To receive and approve with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor Ron McCoo seconding the motion.

Cl. 180
13.02.19 **STANDING COMMITTEES:**
Receive and approve: -

None

Cl. 181
13.02.19 **EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORT**
None

Cl. 182
13.02.19 **CLIMATE EMERGENCY**
Motion to declare a Climate Emergency and to implement the requests made by Greener Tywyn Gwyrdd in their petition as presented to the Council

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor Aled Lewis proposing and Councillor Ron McCoo seconding the motion.

Cl. 183
13.02.19 **STATION ARTWORK**
Motion to approach Transport for Wales to do a joint project to have a display of artwork on the panels of shelters on the station to replace the graffiti

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor John Pughe proposing and Councillor Ron McCoo seconding the motion.

Cl. 184
13.02.19 **PARKING ON PROMENADE**
Motion to raise an objection to Gwynedd Council's application for a parking order on the Promenade.

RECOLVED: To approve with Councillor Nancy Clarke proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the motion.

Cl. 185 **TREASURER'S REPORT**

13.02.19 Motion to approve Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2018

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor Ron McCoo proposing and Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones seconding the motion.

Cl. 186 **NEWS FROM GWYNEDD COUNCIL**

13.02.19

- 3 Public Consultations currently taking place: Gwynedd Local Bus Survey
Social Housing Allocation and Local Toilet Strategy
- Gwynedd is implementing a £3 million savings programme in addition to the £2.5 million savings already in place. Council Tax will increase by 5.5%
- 6 North Wales Councils have joined together to tackle homelessness
- Meeting between Local representatives and officers of Gwynedd Council regarding the Promenade

Cl. 187 **CLERK'S REPORT**

13.02.19 Motion to receive Clerk's Report

RESOLVED: To receive the report with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor Eileen Jones seconding the motion.

Cl. 188 **YNYSYMAENGWYN**

13.02.19 Green Flag Application has been submitted
Charity Commission Annual Return has been submitted
Valuer's Report on parcels of land subject to adverse possession received

Cl. 189 **CORRESPONDENCE**

13.02.19 **Correspondence That Necessitates Action by the Council.**

- a) Letter and petition as presented by Greener Tywyn Gwyrdd

RESOLVED: As per Cl.182

Correspondence Received That Does **Not Necessitate Action by the Council**

- a) Email from the office of Liz Saville-Roberts MP giving notice of planned investment by Transport for Wales in Tywyn Station

The meeting was declared closed at 8:20 pm

CADEIRYDD / CHAIRMAN