MINUTES of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Tywyn Town Council held in the Baptist Church, High Street, Tywyn, on Wednesday, 2 September, 2015, at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. John H.Boulter (Chairman),

Cllrs. Nancy E.Clarke; Islwyn H.Davies; A.W.Evans; Mark D.Kendall; A.Lloyd-Jones; Ron W.McCoo;

G.Michael Stevens; R.E.Owens; J.Pughe.

Cl. 68

APOLOGIES: There were no apologies for absence.

02:09:15

Cl. 69 DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INTEREST OR PERSONAL

02:09:15 **CONNECTION**

The following declare interest in the said item:

Cllr. J.H.Boulter – Cl. 71 Cllr. J.Pughe – Cl. 71

Cl. 70 PLANNING APPLICATIONS 02:09:15

C15/0669/09/R3 Demolish existing atrium and erect replacement

conservatory

Llys Cadfan, Ffordd Brynhyfryd, Tywyn.

NO OBJECTION

Cl. 71 APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE 02:09:15

Application for a Premises Licence – Licensing Act 2003 The Victoria-N-Slipway, Marine Parade, Tywyn.

Comments in support of the application were made:

- Details submitted in the application showed that the request is compatible to what has been granted to other licenced premises in the town
- The initiative was to be welcomed.
- Could be of benefit to the town and provide employment
- Late nigh restaurant would be advantageous

Cl. 72 APPOINTMENT OF NEW CLERK

02:09:15 The Clerk presented a verbal report on progress to date:

- Job Advertisement had been circulated widely in the town.
- Advertisement had been placed in the *Cambrian News* (Meirionnydd Edition). Due to 'technical error' it had not appeared in the edition week Thursday, 20 August, 2015. It would appear in the subsequent weeks of 27 August, and 3 September, 2015.

- The closing dated as resolved 18 September, 2015.
- Due to the cost involved (quotation had been received verbally) the Chairman and the Clerk had conferred, and had agreed not to implement the resolve to place the advertisement for vacancy in the Machynlleth / Aberystwyth Editions of the Cambrian *News*. It could not be considered to be prudent use of the Council's money, and not in keeping with the Procedures set by One Voice Wales that 'The council should advertise as widely as possible, without going into any unnecessary expense'.
- Some difficulty was being experienced with placing the advertisement Job Centre, Machynlleth. It is not possible to contact the Job Centre directly, it could only be done 'on lone' and their policy is that Job Adverts have to be advertised nationally and not locally. The Clerk stated that he would pursue with this.

A small minority strongly disagreed with the decision taken by the Chairman and the Clerk, and had obtained their own cost, in print, of advertising in more than one edition of the *Cambrian News*. This differed, and was lower, than what the Clerk had understood it to be.

A volatile and at times confusing, discussion followed regarding the Clerk's report and how to proceed.

Cllr. A.Lloyd –Jones proposed:

'That the Council supported the decision taken by the Chairman and the Clerk not to implement the resolve to place the advertisement for vacancy in the Machynlleth / Aberystwyth Editions of the Cambrian *News*. due to the cost involved'.

It was seconded by Cllr. N.E. Clarke.

Another proposal was presented by Cllr. M.D.Kendall, which following further discussion was amended.

It was seconded by Cllr. A.W.Evans

Following further discussion, Cllr. A.Lloyd-Jones conceded to withdraw her proposal. Cllr. N.E.Clarke reluctantly agreed to support her decision.

It was finally moved that the motion proposed by Cllr. M.D.Kendall as amended:

'To place further adverts for vacancy in both Editions of the Cambrian News (Meirionnydd and Machynlleth / Aberystwyth) for the weeks 10 September and 17 September, 2015, with an amended closing date of 25 September, 2015'.

was put to the vote.

The proposal was carried.

RESOLVED:

- (a) To place further adverts for vacancy in both Editions of the Cambrian News (Meirionnydd and Machynlleth / Aberystwyth) for the weeks 10 September and 17 September, 2015.
- (b) Amended closing date for applications 25 September, 2015'

Attention was drawn to recommendation by One Voice Wales that 'Ideally, there can be an overlap of time, during which a replacement clerk can go through a hand-over period – possibly with the former clerk acting as a (Paid) assistant for a short duration (for example, a month) and with the new clerk also being paid in full'.

RESOLVED – to follow recommendation and that there would be an overlap period of one month, with both the former clerk and replacement clerk being paid in full.

The meeting was declared closed at 8.05 p.m.