

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2017
AT YSGOL UWCHRADD TYWYN AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor: Alun W. Evans (Chair)

Councillors: Ron W. McCoo, John Pughe, Nancy E. Clarke, Anne Lloyd-Jones,
Marisa D. O'Hara, Eileen Jones, Aled M. Lewis, Quentin E. Deakin,
Cathy Evans, Harriet Webb

OFFICERS PRESENT: Francesca Pridding (Town Clerk)

Cl. 125
13.09.17 **APOLOGIES:**

Councillors: Mike Stevens, Frank Bridle

Cl. 126
13.09.17 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

Councillor Alun W. Evans (Cl. 143 - Personal Connection with Applicant)
Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones (Cl. 146 - Member of Talylyn Railway Society)
Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones (Cl. 147)

Cl. 127
13.09.17 **CHAIRMAN'S ACTIVITY REPORT:**

29th July attended Party in the Park to judge the fancy dress
2nd August, Extraordinary Meeting
23rd August attended the Sioe Sir Meirionnydd
The Chairman congratulated Councillor Aled Lewis on the successful completion
of a 50k walk raising money for dementia research.

Cl. 128
13.09.17 **MINUTES:**

Receive and approve: -

a) Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 12th July 2017

RESOLVED: To receive and approve subject to the minor inclusion reflecting the
outcome of **Cl. 93 12.07.17** to show that the motion not to charge for the use of
the public toilet was carried. Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones proposing and
Councillor Aled Lewis seconding the proposal.

b) Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on Monday, 24th July
2017

RESOLVED: To receive and approve with Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones proposing
and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the proposal.

c) Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 2nd August 2017

RESOLVED: To receive and approve with Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones proposing and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the proposal.

Cl. 129 **STANDING COMMITTEES:**

13.09.17 Receive and approve: -

Planning Committee

a) Minutes of Meeting held 25th July 2017

RESOLVED: To receive and approve with Councillor John Pughe proposing and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the proposal.

b) Minutes of Meeting held 15th August 2017

RESOLVED: To receive and approve with Councillor John Pughe proposing and Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones seconding the proposal.

Cl. 130 **COUNCILLOR HARRIET WEBB**

13.09.17 Motion to include Councillor Harriet Webb on the required Standing Committees.

RESOLVED: To include Councillor Webb on the Planning and Environment Committees with Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones proposing and Councillor Alun Wyn Evans seconding the motion.

Cl. 131 **OMBUDSMAN DECISION**

13.09.17 Motion to receive the information, dated 23 August 2017, that under Section 69(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 2000, the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales found no evidence that Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones had failed to comply with the Code of Conduct.

RESOLVED: To receive the information with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans proposing and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the motion.

Cl. 132 **BICYCLE REPAIR STATION**

13.09.17 Motion to purchase a Bicycle Repair Station for the use of the people of Tywyn and visitors to the area by using the Powers of Expenditure under Section 137 of the Local Government Act.

RESOLVED: To purchase the Bicycle Repair Station for the town and install it in an easily accessible location, yet to be determined. The motion was proposed by Councillor Marisa O'Hara and seconded by Councillor John Pughe.

Cl. 133 **BEACH SAFETY**

13.09.17 Motion to request 'safe area' markers for personal water craft operating off

Tywyn beach and to provide accompanying information boards to inform the public of the regulations and minimum safety requirements for operation.

RESOLVED: To vary the motion to “Motion to request that Barry Davies, maritime officer for Gwynedd Council attends a meeting of the Council to answer questions regarding maritime safety” this was proposed by Councillor Alun Wyn Evans and seconded by Councillor Nancy Clarke. The varied motion was duly passed with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans proposing and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding

Cl. 134
13.09.17

TREE CHARTER

Motion to sign the "Tree Charter", become a "Charter Branch" and apply for a “Legacy Tree”.

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the motion.

Cl. 135
13.09.17

BIN OBSTRUCTION

Motion to make a formal request that Gwynedd County Council compel their Municipal Highways Department to return all bins to their collection point after emptying in order to maintain a safe thoroughfare for pedestrians.

RESOLVED: To approve the motion by getting in touch with Steffan Jones of Gwynedd Council and formally requesting the return of bins to their collection point with Councillor Aled Lewis proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the motion.

Cl. 136
13.09.17

DYFI BRIDGE PROPOSAL

Motion to respond to the consultation in relation to the proposed trunk road alterations to the Dyfi Bridge.

RESOLVED: To respond to the consultation in accordance with the main points of concern with the plan as identified by Councillor Aled Lewis and to express the additional opinion that a By-Pass would be the Council’s preferred method of resolving the issues affecting the access to the south. The motion was proposed by Councillor Aled Lewis and seconded by Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones.

Cl. 137
13.09.17

CLERK’S SALARY

Motion to approve the payment of Clerk’s salary by banker’s standing order in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.8.

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

Cl. 138
13.09.17

SKATE PARK REMEDIAL WORK

Motion to approve additional spending of £500 on the emergency maintenance of the skate park.

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor Eileen Jones proposing and Councillor Aled Lewis seconding the motion.

Cl. 139 **TREASURER'S REPORT**

13.09.17 Motion to approve Treasurer's Report for the month of July and August 2017

RESOLVED: To approve the motion and to request that expenses incurred by Councillor John Pughe when attending Gwynedd Council be recouped from Gwynedd Council and that a breakdown of the cost of the Chain of Office be circulated to the councillors. The motion was proposed by Councillor John Pughe and seconded by Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones.

Cl. 140 **NEWS FROM GWYNEDD COUNCIL**

13.09.17

- Event to gauge the strength of feeling in the area regarding the extension of the cycle route to Aberdyfi being held on Thursday 14th September, everyone encouraged to attend.
- Free travel for everyone on the Traws Cymru bus route announced.
- Report on the successful prosecution of fly-tipping cases in Gwynedd and encouragement to report any instances.
- Joint Local Development Plan covering the period 2011 – 2026 adopted on the 28th July 2017
- 13th July meeting held to discuss local concerns and priorities of Gwynedd Council for the period 2018 – 2023.

RESOLVED: To accept the information with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans proposing and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the proposal.

Cl. 141 **EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

13.09.17

RESOLVED: No information to accept due to Summer break and the lack of external committees.

Cl. 142 **CLERK'S REPORT**

13.09.17

RESOLVED: To receive the report with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans proposing and Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones seconding the proposal.

Cl. 143 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

13.09.17 Motion to respond to planning applications: -

a) Application C17/0831/09/LL

RESOLVED: To make a response of NO OBJECTION with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the proposal.

20:28 Councillor Alun Wyn Evans declared an interest in the following application and left the room.

b) Application NP5/79/318B

RESOLVED: To make a response of NO OBJECTION with Councillor Aled Lewis proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the proposal.

Councillor Aled Wyn Evans returned to the meeting at 20:30

Cl. 144
13.09.17

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence That Necessitates Action by the Council.

- a) Letter from One Voice Wales inviting 2 representatives of the council to the Meirionnydd Area Committee Meeting in Dolgellau, 26 September 2017
RESOLVED: That the Clerk attend with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans
- b) Invitations received for 2 members to attend the RNLI Naming Ceremony in Aberdyfi, 30 September 2017
RESOLVED: That the clerk attend with Councillor Nancy Clarke
- c) Letter from Tywyn Events Organisation requesting the use of Ynysymaengwyn Woods for the annual Halloween Ghost Walk
RESOLVED: To approve the request with the understanding that these matters are for the Ynysymaengwyn Trust to consider.
- d) Letter from Mr D. A. Miller, Holiday Home Owner, in relation to Council Tax increases
RESOLVED: To respond with the contact details of the appropriate officer in charge of the matter in Gwynedd Council and to forward a letter received by Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones explaining the situation to another home-owner onwards to Mr Miller in anonymised format.

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

- e) Email received from Pauline Delaney regarding Public Toilet provision
RESOLVED: To accept the information and forward the email to Gwyn Morris Jones of Gwynedd Council.

Cl. 145
13.09.17

ADMISSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Motion that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor Alun Wyn Evans proposing and Councillor Nancy Clarke seconding the motion.

Cl. 146
13.09.17

CAMBRIAN ROAD CAR PARK

Motion to consider the amendments proposed to the lease of the Cambrian Road Car Park to Talyllyn Railway Company Ltd.

RESOLVED: To vary the motion this was proposed by Councillor John Pughe and seconded by Councillor Aled Lewis. The new motion carried "To reject the

proposed amendments to the lease by the Talyllyn Railway Company Ltd. and to serve Notice to Quit at the end of the tenancy period.” This was proposed by Councillor Aled Lewis and seconded by Councillor Alun Wyn Evans.

Councillor Anne Lloyd Jones left the meeting after declaring an interest at 20:45

Cl. 146 **YNYSYMAENGWYN CARAVAN PARK**

13.09.17 Motion to take further advice on matters relating to the Ynysymaengwyn Caravan Park and the employees.

RESOLVED: To approve with Councillor Aled Lewis proposing and Councillor Alun Wyn Evans seconding the motion.

The meeting was declared closed at 8:55pm

CADEIRYDD / CHAIRMAN