

Minutes of a meeting of Denbigh Town Council held on Monday 23rd February 2015 at 7pm at the Town Hall, Denbigh.

Present: Councillors Rob Parkes (chairman), Raymond Bartley, Margaret Bowe, Gaynor Morgan Rees, Medwyn Williams, Geraint Williams, Colin L Hughes, Brian Davies, Roy Tickle, Mark Young, Gaynor Wood, Philip Stevens and Medwyn Jones (Town Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr Shereen Devine, Catherine Jones, Colin Hughes.

The chairman welcomed all to meeting.

200. Urgent Matters: There were none

201. Declaration of Personal Interest: The following declarations were received:

- (1) Cllr Roy Tickle – agenda item 8(1)(1) – planning – Woodland near Lleweni, Lleweni Parc, Mold Road.
- (2) Cllr Gaynor Wood – agenda item 8(1)(1) – planning – Woodland near Lleweni, Lleweni Parc, Mold Road.
- (3) Cllr Geraint Williams – all matters relating to Denbighshire County Council.
- (4) Cllr Raymond Bartley – all matters relating to Denbighshire County Council.
- (5) Cllr Roy Tickle – all matters relating to Denbigh Town Hall.

202. The Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 26th January 2015 and the Minutes of the Planning, Finance and General Purposes Committees held on the 9th February 2015 were approved.

203. Matters arising: 26.1.15 (1) Minute no 185 – Lenten Pool roundabout. In reply to a question, Cllr Geraint Williams reported that discussions were still ongoing.

9.2.15: There were no matters arising.

204. Mayor's Report: The Mayor reported that he had attended three functions since the last report and elaborated on the functions attended.

205. Letters, E-mails and Notices: 1. It was agreed that six items of correspondence be noted.

2. It was further agreed that the following be noted and actioned accordingly:

- (1) The written statement by the Welsh Government on the cost of senior management in Local Government was referred to the documents scrutiny sub-committee to discuss alongside the recent Local Government white paper.
- (2) The town clerk referred to the enamel plaque received from European Walled Towns which was accepted with thanks. It was agreed that the plaque should be displayed in public and it was suggested that it be displayed on the front of the Town Hall. Town clerk to make enquiries with Phil Ebbrell as the hall was a listed building.

206. Planning: Following discussion, it was agreed that no objection be raised in respect of the following applications for planning permission:

- (1) 42, Mytton Park
- (2) Treflys Ruthin Road



With regard to the planning application received in respect of Woodland near Lleweni, Lleweni Parc, Mold Road (deferred from 9.2.15) it was reported that the information sought from DCC planning had not been received. Information was received that apparently there were some problems with this particular application and that DCC planning was happy for the town council to further defer a decision until its next meeting on the 9th March. It was agreed that the matter be further deferred and that, hopefully, the information requested could be provided by that date.

With regard to the 3A, 3, 5, Lenten Pool (amended plans), the meeting was reminded that the original application came before the town council on the 10th February 2014 when a decision was made to object to the proposed conversion and alterations to the properties concerned. The objection being based on the grounds of over intensification of this type of development in the Lenten Pool area of Denbigh. Having considered the amended plans it was agreed that the council reiterate its objection to the proposed conversion and alterations to these properties on the same grounds as outlined in February 2014.

2. Other planning matters: The Letter received from DCC re planning training was noted.

207 Minutes / Reports of council sub committees: (1) Grant Aid: The minutes of a recent meeting were considered. Each recommendation on applications received contained in the minutes was considered and approved as follows:

- (1) Denbigh Film Club – application withdrawn
- (2) Denbigh and Flint Show – deferred to the new financial year
- (3) Cae Dai – deferred for further information.

The grant aid application received earlier this day from the Lower Park Bowling Club was referred to along with the request contained in Cllr Colin Hughes' e-mail that that application be considered by this meeting as the situation was quite urgent. The meeting reminded itself that the usual practice of the council was that all grant aid applications were usually referred to the grant aid sub-committee for careful scrutiny. Following a brief discussion it was **Resolved** (unanimously) **to refer the application to the grant aid sub-committee for scrutiny and recommendation.**

208. Reports: (1) Town Hall Management. The town clerk's written summary of a recent meeting was considered and approved.

- (2) Twinning. The town clerk's written report on a recent meeting was considered and approved.

There were no other reports.

209. Reports by County Councillors on Matters Appertaining only to Denbigh:

- 1. Cllr Geraint Williams reported: (1) Water testing at Ysgol Pendref – passed. (2) Residents experiencing housing problems with buildings having single skin walls – DCC investigating. (3) The footpath between Henllan Road and the Crest was deteriorating – DCC looking at community involvement to sort out. (4) Enquiries regarding the former Church Institute referred to the central ward member. (5) The wall at Glas Meadows was falling down – DCC investigating.
- 2. Cllr Raymond Bartley reported: (1) Middle Lane – decision imminent. A question was asked as to the legal position with DCC putting in a bid whilst the DCC cabinet being the trustees. (2) Resurfacing of Myddleton Park and the Colomendy Industrial Estate completed. (3) Probably another saving of £6.5m needed to be found in 2016 / 2017. (4) In response to a question Cllr Bartley reported that there have been concerns as to the future of Plas Pigot.



210. Confirmation of Nomination for Office 2015 / 2016:

- (1) Cllr Raymond Bartley confirmed his acceptance of the nomination for Mayor.
- (2) Cllr Margaret Bowe confirmed her acceptance of the nomination for Deputy Mayor.

211. Dates of Council and Committee meetings from May to September 2015: The list of dates having been circulated were discussed and approved.

212. Denbigh Town Hall. The town clerk reminded the meeting of the decision made at the last meeting on the 9th February that the involvement of the town council in the future management of the town hall be discussed. The town clerk referred to the proposed service level agreement drafted by DCC and suggested that it be used as a the basis for discussion by members. The proposed service level agreement was based on the original management constitution with additions. The document was discussed. Cllr Medwyn Williams pointed out that reference in the document to CCTV referred to the internal system within the town hall. It was agreed that the reference to the members of the management committee should also contain the name of the reserve from the town council, namely Cllr Brian Davies. It was pointed out that the management committee would in future meet bi-monthly in place of quarterly. DTC would in future have an input into setting hire charges. It was agreed (unanimously) to accept the Service Level Agreement subject to the change agreed above.

213. Accounts 1. The following accounts were approved for payment:

(1)	Sandra Williams – translation service 12.1.15 (Cheque no. 005562)	-	£91.20
(2)	Denbigh Museum Group – Clwyd Wynne's heritage lecture Fee 15.1.15 (Cheque no. 005563)	-	£40.00
(3)	Tony Griffiths – heritage lecture fee 5.2.15 (Cheque no. 005564)	-	£30.00
(4)	Gwyn Jones – heritage lecture fees 22.1.15 & 12.2.15 (Cheque no. 005565)	-	£50.00
(5)	Gwynn Matthews – heritage lecture fee and travelling expenses 19.2.15 - (Cheque no. 005566)	-	£100.00
(6)	Catalyst Systems – off site secure data storage (Jan 2015) (Cheque no. 005567)	-	£8.82
(7)	BT – phone bill (Cheque no. 005568)	-	£181.92
(8)	DCC – Christmas lighting 2014 (Minute 79(3(4) refers) (Cheque no. 005569)	-	£11,700.00
(10)	DCC – hire of town hall for 7 heritage lectures (Cheque no. 005570)	-	£350.00
(11)	Zen Internet – ADSL provision (March) (Cheque no. 005571)	-	£18.37
(12)	Town Clerk – reimburse cost of gifts for heritage lecturers Gwyn Dodd and R M Owen (Cheque no. 005572)	-	£49.95
(13)	E Martin – locking and unlocking the gate to Dr E P Garden (January) - (Cheque no. 005573)	-	£60.00

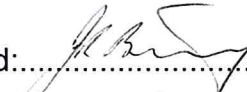
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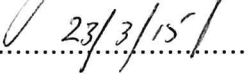


- 2 Any other Financial Matters: The receipt of £2,461.44 from Grŵp Cynefin re Skate Park maintenance was noted

At this point the meeting moved to Part 2 – confidential matters when the press and public are excluded

Following completion of matters under Part 2 and there being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 7.58pm

Signed: .....(chairman)

Date: .....

