

Minutes of a meeting of Denbigh Town Council held on Monday 27th February 2017 at 7.00pm at the Town Hall, Denbigh.

Present: Councillors Margaret Bowe (Chairman), Roy Tickle (Deputy Chairman), Medwyn Williams, Marilyn Jones, Alyn Ashworth, Gaynor Morgan Rees, Catherine Jones, Robert Parkes, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Mark Young & Colin L Hughes; and Jenny Barlow (Town Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr Philip Stevens.

Councillor Colin Hughes arrived at 7.05pm

The chairman welcomed everyone to the February full council meeting.

165. Urgent Matters: There were none

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

- (1) Cllr Gaynor Morgan Rees – all matters relating to the Denbigh Museum.
- (2) Cllr Medwyn Williams - all matters relating to the Denbigh Museum.
- (3) Cllr Colin Hughes – all matters relating to Denbighshire County Council and CADW.
- (4) Cllr Mark Young – all matters relating to Denbighshire County Council & Flint & Denbigh Hunt.
- (5) Cllr Roy Tickle – all matters relating to Flint & Denbigh Hunt.

167. The Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on the 19th January 2017 were received and approved.

168. The Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 23rd January 2017 were received and approved.

169. Matters arising: Item 159 January meeting Cllr Medwyn Williams advised that he will not be standing at the May elections. A new deputy Mayor will need to be elected. This will be added to the March full council meeting agenda. An email was received from Peter Daniels, Denbighshire County Council Public Transport manager confirming bus time tables displayed as well as current transport availability. Peter Daniels advised that he would be unable to attend an evening meeting however would be happy to meet during daytime working hours. Cllr Mark Young advised that he will contact Peter Daniels directly.

170. Mayor's Report: A copy of the Mayor's appointments was distributed. Cllr Margaret Bowe was unable to attend this meeting due to a recent accident. The town clerk updated the councillors on the Mayor's recent events to include Plas Eleri Christmas party, St Thomas' Christmas lunch and the Denbigh Roll the barrel. All the event attended by the Mayor in December had been very enjoyable and it was nice to see so much community spirit. Cllr Roy Tickle advised that he and Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle had attended a concert last Sunday which was excellent. Cllr Gaynor Morgan Rees had also attended the Hairspray production at Denbigh High School, this was also excellent. Cllr Medwyn Williams enquired as to when the Mayor, Councillor Margaret Bowe was having her charity event. The town clerk confirmed that this would be held on Saturday 29th April.

171. Letters, E-mails and Notices: 1. It was agreed that the following items of correspondence to be noted and actioned accordingly:

- a) Email from Clwyd Wynne – Road safety in Denbigh. Cllr Robert Parkes advised that the location had been looked at previously as a one way but had been rejected. Work had been completed by Peter Lea on this but the residents were not forthcoming. Local Town plan – would be a good idea to include this in the plan. Cllr Robert Parkes to highlight this at the next safety group.
- b) DCC – Statement of Licensing Policy – the scrutiny group to look into this and feedback at the March meeting.
- c) Email – Digital communities Wales support. The clerk has been requested to diarise this for May. The new councillors will be in their new positions and there may be a need for training.
- d) Welsh Government – White paper Reforming Local Government – Resilient and Renewed.
- e) DCC – Questionnaire, cold calling control zone.
- f) Supplementary Planning Guidance – draft caravan, chalets & Camping.
- g) Letter – Flint & Denbigh Hunt branch of Pony Club, requesting backing for the project. The Councillors discussed this matter and agreed that the clerk should contact the group directly to advise that until the planning application had been submitted then the Town Council were unable to issue a letter of support though they did approve of the details in principle.
- h) Town & Community Councils Survey – it was agreed that town clerk would complete the survey.

172. Planning:

- 1) To consider any applications received for planning permission

Objections were made to the following application –

a) **01/2016/0374**

Land at Cae Topyn off Old Ruthin Road, Ffordd Eglwyswen, Denbigh.

Erection of 75 no. dwellings, together with associated roads, open spaces and related works.

This application was deferred from the Planning meeting held on 21.02.17.

The Councillors wished to notify Denbighshire County Council on the below points in addition to the details received from Mrs Eiddwen Watkins.

Lack of safe crossing points to local amenities to include Schools, hospital and shops.

Distance to school and other facilities.

Flooding issue – inadequate drainage assessment.

Failure to adhere to planning brief.

Traffic issue – to include traffic density.

Greed from contractors, insufficient money being spent on development.

No objection was received on the following.

b) **01/2017/0065**

13 Castle View, Denbigh

Erection of extension to dwelling.

c) **01/2017/0081**

Bryn Nefydd, Coppy Road, Denbigh

Erection of extension and alterations to dwelling.

Cllr Colin Hughes did advise that on the Bryn Nefydd application that the residents had had issues with Denbighshire County Council with their application.

- 2) Any Other Planning Matters – Objection to planning application 01/2016/0374 from Mrs Eiddwen Warkin, Tanrallt, Brookhouse, Denbigh.

173. Council Committee Minutes.

(1) The minutes of the Environment and Finance Committee held on the 20th February 2017 were noted.

(2) The minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 21st February 2017 were noted.

174. Minutes / Reports of council sub committees.

The below minutes were noted.

- a) Denbigh Twinning Association 16.01.17
- b) Wireless in Wales Management committee 28.11.16
- c) Denbigh Volunteer Tour guides 15.02.17

175. Reports:

a) Town Hall Management Meeting 25.01.17.

Cllr Medwyn Williams advised that the meeting are going well and the maintenance of the building is very good. Cllr Roy Tickle was nominated as a representative at the Town Hall management committee.

b) Cllr Catherine Jones advised that there was a defibrillator training to be held at Eirianfa on the 15th between 7 & 9pm.

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

- **Cllr Mark Young** – There are still traffic issues by the schools which are dangerous. DCC have re done some of the lines at junctions. A55 – cost very high. Would be advantageous if the details relating to Denbigh could be added to the new sign that DCC will be putting up to promote the new aqua centre at Rhyl. The Denbigh show was a huge success. The charity walk raise £2,000 for St Kentigern.
- **Cllr Colin Hughes** – Mobile mast at Caledfryn will be 15m tall. Both residents and Caledfryn staff are in favour as it will improve facilities. Consultation Planning, 2 sites in Denbigh, there are concerns relating to parking, extra traffic, safe route to school, retaining hedges and footpaths. There are lots of positives and a need for housing in the area.
Cllr Margaret Bowe advised that Ysgol Pendref will not be improved until 2027.

177. Accounts:

(a) The following accounts were approved for payment: None

(b) Any other financial mater: None

178. A55 Brown Sign – Ken Skates, is there any funding available for the sign?

Cllr Mark Young advised that it was costly and it would be good to know how much each council would need to pay. Cllr Medwyn Williams advised that the costs had gone up tremendously. Where does the figure come from? Cllr Roy Tickle confirmed that the additional costs were to do with J27 – controlling the traffic while the sign is being erected. Cllr Mark young advised that we should progress for now and challenge the costs later. Cllrs Mark Young & Medwyn Williams requested that the town clerk write to thank Ann Jones AM for her work with the A55 project.

179. Denbigh Town Guide – next edition.

The town clerk advised that the next edition needed actioning. Cllr Medwyn Williams confirmed that there is already a committee set up for this purpose: Cllrs Medwyn Williams, Cllr Gaynor Morgan Rees & Marilyn Jones.

180. Heritage Lectures – The town clerk advised that the lectures are going very well. Next year will be the 10th anniversary of the lectures and the councillors agreed unanimously that the lectures can continue for another year.

The town clerk also requested that the following invoices be paid for the lecturers:

Clwyd Wynne £50.00

Fiona Gale £15.00

Gwynn Matthews £100.00

Gwyn Jones £50.00

The town clerk also advised that she would pay for the refreshments for the last lecture of the session however requested support for future years.

181. Honorary Burgess – The town clerk advised that the pendant was nearly ready and wanted to know what inscription was required. It was agreed that J.R.B. 2016 would be inscribed.

182. Membership of committees – amendments. The below details were unanimously accepted.

Cllr Raymond Bartley	Reserve	New representative
Christmas lighting		Cllr Mark Young
Fireworks		Cllr Colin L Hughes
N & MWATC	Cllr Roy Tickle	Cllr Roy Tickle
NWWTFC	Cllr Colin Hughes	Cllr Colin Hughes
Clwyd Community Chest	Cllr Margaret Bowe	Cllr Margaret Bowe
Lower Park Association		Cllr Roy Tickle
Denbigh in Bloom		Cllr Marilyn Jones
Denbigh Town Hall		Cllr Roy Tickle

Cllr Brian Davies	Reserve	New representative
Denbigh Stroke Club	Cllr Margaret Bowe	Cllr Margaret Bowe
Eirianfa Association		Cllr Catherine Jones
Denbigh Museum Board	Cllr Mark Young	Cllr Mark Young
Denbigh Festival Committee		Cllr Roy Tickle

183. Denbigh Museum – The town clerk advised that the copy of the loan agreement had been received and needed acceptance by the councillors. This was unanimously agreed. The town clerk will liaise with county councillor Gwyneth Kensler on this.

184. 2017/2018 Council Meeting dates – a copy of the meeting dates for the next financial year was circulated and agreed.

185. Free Parking dates – the free parking dates were agreed

4th March – St Davids Day
24th June – Denbigh Carnival
23rd September – Open Doors
7th October – Denbigh Plum Festival
24th November – Christmas lights switch on

186. Denbigh Town Hall – 100 year celebrations – Cllr Medwyn Williams advised that this September the Town Hall will be celebrating its centenary. The councillors agreed unanimously to support an event.

The chairman closed the meeting at 9.05 pm.

Signed:.....(chairman)

Date:.....