

Minutes of a meeting of Denbigh Town Council held on Monday 23rd July 2018 at 6.30pm at the Town Hall, Denbigh.

Present: Councillors Catherine Jones (Chair), Gaynor Wood-Tickle (Deputy Chair) Colin L Hughes, Marilyn Jones, Rob Parkes, Roy Tickle, Alyn Ashworth, Guto Lloyd-Davies, Rhys Thomas & Philip Stevens &; and Jenny Barlow (Town Clerk).

Apologies: Cllrs: Glenn Swingler, Lara Pritchard, Gaynor Morgan Rees & Dyfrig Berry.

Observing: Mrs Veronica Hepworth-Taylor.

The chair welcomed all to the July full council meeting.

44. Lynne Wilson (Carriageworks) & Architect Dafydd Tomos (Architect Machynlleth)

Cllr Catherine Jones welcomed both Lynne and Dafydd to the July Denbigh Town Council meeting. An overview of the feasibility study being undertaken by Dafydd Tomos was given to the Town Council following the grant payment received from Denbigh Town Council. A draft plan is nearly complete with a view of the final papers being available in August.

Work to improve the building were presented in paper format with a view of retaining the original features of the building. Improvements will be made to the entrance from the pavement, ramp and lift will be installed in addition to the toilet facilities being improved. The two current buildings will have openings making it one building with access to all.

Cllr Colin L Hughes arrived at 6.40pm.

The mayor thanked both Lynne and Dafydd for attending and for their overview.

The mayor then opened a Q & A session.

The town clerk asked if a loop system was to be installed – Dafydd confirmed that a mobile loop system will be installed.

The town clerk also enquired about the costs of business rates with merging the 2 buildings. Lynne confirmed that this will incur additional costs but will still qualify for an 80% reduction in the overall costs.

Cllr Rob Parkes said it was pleasing to see improvements made as well as joint working with Cadwyn Clwyd, Grwp Cynefin and the Town Council.

Cllr Guto Lloyd –Davies agreed that it was good to hear about the improvements.

Cllr Rhys Thomas wanted to see copies of the plans.

Dafydd Thomas advised that he will leave copies with the town clerk for the councillors to view.

Cllr Marilyn Jones advised that it was an interesting project.

Cllr Roy Tickle thanked both Lynne and Dafydd and wished them every success.

Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle agreed with the above comment and added that the Carriageworks is a lovely building, always warm & welcoming.

Cllr Catherine Jones thanked both Lynne and Dafydd for their presentation and for the copied of the plans.

Both Lynne and Dafydd left the meeting at 6.53pm.

Cllr Philip Stevens arrived at 6.53pm.

The full council meeting commenced at 7pm.

45. Urgent Matters: None.

46. Declaration of Personal Interest:

Councillor	Item	Personal or Prejudicial
Gaynor Wood-Tickle	Part 2	Prejudicial
Roy Tickle	Part 2	Prejudicial

47. The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 25th June 2018 were agreed and noted.

48. Matters arising - Nil

49. Mayor's Report: A copy of the Mayors appointments were circulated and noted. Cllr Catherine Jones advised that the appointments and events are going well. Cllr Jones thanked Cllr Gaynor Wood-Tickle for attending a couple of engagements in her place during the last month. Cllr Jones said that it had been a privilege to attend Denbigh High schools ROA evening. The Myddleton college event held on the same day as the carnival was also excellent. There was a famous gymnast at the gymnastics event and the Denbigh in Bloom are doing fantastic. The cricket club event and the Tom Pryce events were also excellent. I am having the time of my life though it is proving costly.

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

- a) Naming of Lon Ganol by Grwp Cynefin.
After much deliberation Bryn Y Blodau was chosen. The town clerk with contact Group Cynefin with the details.
- b) Police report April – June 2018. To be discussed at the Sept meeting.
The councillors requested the town clerk to contact Sgt Peter Evans to see if comparison statistics could be given of another town locally of similar size to Denbigh and presented at the next council meeting.
- c) Denbigh in Bloom – update. The councillors requested the town clerk to write to the group with their congratulations and best wished for the future. Cllr Catherine Jones asked if the town councillors would consider supporting the Denbigh in Bloom group financially next year. This will be added to the pre-budget meeting details.
- d) Denbighshire CAB – invitation Denbigh uniform Recycle.
- e) Chris Ruane – Grwp Llandrillo Menai update.
- f) Llyr Gruffydd – Denbigh infirmary update.
- g) Grwp Cynefin – Pre application enquiry – Pennant Flats.
The town councillors were requested to send their comments via the below link.
www.cadnantplanning.co.uk/consultations
- h) Updated meeting date list (April meetings amended)
- i) DTC attendance record update.

51. Planning – No objections were raised on the following application:

None

52. Minutes / Reports of council sub committees.

The following were noted.

a) Llandrillo College Denbigh Task & Finish group 29/06/18, the town councillors are still disappointed that the building has been closed and that now closed they are asking the town council for assistance in finding a new use for the location.

An offer for a site visit either on the 25/07 or 08/08 at 6pm was declined by the town councillors.

b) Theatr Twm o'r Nant – details received from Cllr Marilyn Jones.

c) Cllr Rob Parkes advised that an open doors meeting had been held earlier in the month, a booklet of the event is currently being published with more sites than before open.

d) Cllr Catherine Jones advised that the events group in conjunction with other groups in town have a programme of events planned to commemorate the end of the First World War. Detail have been given to the Free Press for publication. Leaflets will be created to publicise the event and grants have been requested from the Lottery, Rotary and Freeman Evans Trust.

e) Cllr Roy Tickle advised that the Carnival AGM had just taken place, a few minor issues were raised concerning the event but otherwise the group are strong moving forward.

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

As Cllr Glen Swingler is not in attendance, support is required regarding the changes at the Pennant flats, Henllan Street.

Roads around Denbigh in a poor state and slabs on pavements are being lifted and replaced with tarmac.

Play areas are being improved, however the annual budget for the whole of Denbighshire is only £20,000. Issues currently at Llys Gwydr.

54. Accounts:

(1) Payments.

a) Jones & Graham – processing salary 01/04/18 – 30/06/18 (Chq no 006526)	-	£42.30
b) ASL – photocopies 07/06/18 – 02/07/18 (Chq no 006527)	-	£38.08
c) Zen, monthly internet (Chq no 006528)	-	£18.37
d) N&MW Assoc of Local Councils, 1 x lunch 20.07.18 (Chq no 006529)	-	£16.00

Total £114.75

(2) Any other financial matters.

a) External audit details were sent to the Auditors on 04.07.18.

b) Quotation – Fattorini, repair Mayor's chain for between £214 & £310 (depending on works to be completed) was agreed. The town clerk to contact Fattorini to make arrangements for the chain to be repaired.

55. Walled Town Friendship Circle – update by Cllr Roy Tickle.

Cllr Tickle gave copies of the constitution and explained the purpose of the circle to the town councillors as well as a presentation of its origins and benefits to the town. Support is required for the circle from the councillors. There is going to be a 25th anniversary dinner later this year at Denbigh and Cllr Tickle would like to see as many of the Denbigh Town councillors in attendance. The 3 annual events were also discussed – Car Rally, Bowles & Golf. The town councillors agreed to support the circle. Cllr Guto Lloyd –Davies did highlight

that in the constitution that English was the language for communication, should this be reviewed? This will be added to the Walled town's agenda for future meetings.

Cllr Rob Parkes advised that it was good to have representation and it's important to support the link.

Cllr Philip Stevens advised that it has potential with Denbigh re CADW.

56. Town Council - Future financial planning.

Cllr Catherine Jones advised that town councillors that a new financial working group needs to be created to look at the long and short term financial plans for the town council. The town councillors were all in agreement. A new working group is to be created with the following Cllrs appointed – Catherine Jones, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Roy Tickle, Philip Stevens, Rhys Thomas, Marilyn Jones, Ayn Ashworth, Colin L Hughes & Rob Parkes. Cllr Catherine Jones to arrange the first meeting as well as a name for the newly formed group. Feedback from the working group needs to be made prior to the December pre budget meeting. Cllr Roy Tickle advised that Ruthin already have plans in place, will be good for the council. Cllr Rhys Thomas agreed, there is less money available and the town council will be able to look at the plans and prioritize.

57. Dr Evan Pierce Garden update.

The town clerk advised that a site visit had been made at the garden with the current contractor Sodexo, (Graham Wilkinson) Prue Probert and the town clerk. Sodexo have advised that they are not benefiting financially from the current contract and are happy for the town council to find a local contractor to manage and maintain the garden. The town councillors were happy for the town clerk to contact 2 local organisations whose details had been given by Prue Probert. (Bodfari Environmental and Matthew Price and Sons) A response by September has been requested and this will be discussed again at the September meeting.

58. Volunteers required.

The town clerk requested volunteers for the following events and the below councillors kindly volunteered:

Event/date/time	Councillor
Denbigh Open Doors, 29.09, 10am – 1pm	Marilyn Jones
Denbigh Open Doors, 29.09, 1pm – 4pm	Catherine Jones
Denbigh Open Doors, 30.09, 10am – 1pm	Alyn Ashworth
Denbigh Open Doors, 30.09, 1pm – 4pm	Rob Parkes
Walled Towns Car Rally 30.09.18, 7.30 – 9am	Catherine Jones
	Gaynor Wood-Tickle
	Roy Tickle
	Colin L Hughes
	Guto Lloyd-Davies
Fireworks display 05.11.18	Catherine Jones
	Gaynor Wood-Tickle
	Roy Tickle
	Philip Stevens
	Rhys Thomas
Clearing after Fireworks 06.11.18 am	Gaynor Wood-Tickle
	Marilyn Jones
	Alyn Ashworth

59. Play Equipment – Llys Gwydr, update.

The town clerk advised that the play equipment container had been damaged. The lock had been broken. Pen Y Bryn joinery, the company who installed the container were going to open the box and secure it with combination padlocks. Once the work had been completed then local childminders and groups could start using them. The town clerk will visit the location to list its contents and ensure that the equipment can be used and not damaged.

60. Special council meeting 15.08.18 - the town councillors agreed to the special meeting, Cllr Catherine Jones, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Rob Parkes and Alyn Ashworth to attend. to make payments of any outstanding invoices, review grant aid and any planning applications due. General agenda to be circulate prior to the meeting to accommodate annual leave. Notes will be given at the meeting.

Cllrs Gaynor Wood-Tickle and Roy Tickle left the meeting at 8.26pm.

The chairman closed the meeting at 8.26pm to move onto part 2.

Signed:.....(chairman)

Date:.....