

Minutes of the Denbigh Town Council Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th September 2023, 6.30pm via Zoom & Face to Face (Hybrid).

Present: Councillors; Alyn Ashworth, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Roy Tickle, Philip Stevens, Catherine Jones; Gaynor Morgan-Rees, Sylvia Jennings, Andrew Hine & Sioned Garrod; Jenny Barlow (Town Clerk).

The chair welcomed all to the September Full Council meeting. A warm welcome was given to the new town councillors Cllr Andrew Hine and Sioned Garrod.

56 Apologies for absence – Cllr Jan Tomlinson & Lara Pritchard.

57 Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interest

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting.

Councillor	Item	Prejudicial/Personal
Roy Tickle	7.3.3	Prejudicial
Gaynor Wood-Tickle	7.3.3	Prejudicial

58 To confirm Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 25th July 2023.
Agreed and noted.

59 To confirm Minutes of the Special Town Council meeting held on Wednesday 16th August 2023. Agreed and noted.

60 Matters arising:

60.1 Update re working group on revised Standing orders.

Cllr Alyn Ashworth confirmed that no meeting had taken place re revision of Standing Orders. Cllr Catherine Jones advised that a decision needed to be made as to how many meetings there will be per month, dates and times before confirming the Standing Orders. This will be added to the October meeting.

60.2 Update re Co-Option – the town clerk confirmed that the Co-Option notification will be completed next week and will be advertised on the new noticeboards.

60.3 Update re recruitment – the town clerk confirmed that no one was appointed following the recruitment process in August. The post will be re-advertised next week.

60.4 Update re noticeboards – the town clerk confirmed that the new noticeboards have been put in situ. They will be used once magnetic discs have been purchased. The town councillors agreed to help with putting notices up in their area.

60.5 Denbigh in Bloom awards – the town councillors were delighted with the achievements of the Denbigh in Bloom group. The clerk was requested to write a note of thanks. The report was circulated with the town councillors.

60.6 Update re Denbigh CCTV partnership – the town councillors look forward to the partnership going live in the near future.

61 Correspondence received:

61.1 Email from Jessica Williams NWP re antisocial behaviour was noted.

61.2 Email from Joanne Johnson re Halifax closure (circulated 25.07.2023) was noted.

61.3 Update from Bodfari Environmental re garden work schedule was noted. The town clerk also advised about the Cedar tree at the garden with is dying as well as the cutting back of bushes and ivy next to the Butchers property.

61.4 Proposed Street name to land adjacent to Ysgol Pendref. The town councillors had no objections to any of the 4 proposed names. Cllr Gaynor Wood Tickle abstained from this decision.

61.5 Email from Chris Madoc Jones re North Wales Hospital. Details received from Gareth Roberts below will be forwarded to Chris Madoc Jones.

61.6 Email from Gareth Roberts DCC re email from Chris Madoc Jones (6.5) The town councillors would like DCC to issue a Press release regarding the Denbigh Hospital site so that local residents are aware of any update.

61.7 Email (x2) from Chris Madoc Jones re name change for Denbigh Infirmary. The town councillors requested the town clerk to contact BCUHB regarding the name change.

61.8 OVW – consultation on fee scale for Audit 2024 – 2025. No feedback from the town councillors.

61.9 Road Closure details – Bull Lane Denbigh was noted.

62 Finance

62.1 Finance – Bank reconciliation reports – July & August were agreed and noted.

62.2 List of payments made in July & August 2023. Agreed & noted.

July

03.07.2023	007892, 007893 & 007894	Jones & Graham	July Salary	£3523.82
05.07.2023	007895	J Barlow	Refund files	£4.28
05.07.2023	007896	St Marys Church	Donation Civic Sunday	£50.00
05.07.2023	007897	Carys Jones	Website updates April – June	£170.00
05.07.2023	007898	P Liversidge	Grass maintenance June	£175.00
07.07.2023	007899	Bell Ringers Assoc	Donation Civic Sunday	£50.00
07.07.2023	007900	Catalyst	July Broadband	£38.00
07.07.2023	007901	Catalyst	12 month Encryption	£141.60
11.07.2023	007902	J Barlow	Refund – Files	£17.80
11.07.2023	007903	Tony Griffiths	Biebertal gift, photo & frame	£12.00
11.07.2023	007904	Jones & Graham	Salary admin April – June	£60.60
11.07.2023	007905	Denbigh in Bloom	Donation Steve Tootell jug	£50.00
24.07.2023	007906	J Barlow	Travel Claim 23.06 – 21.07	£28.80
24.07.2023	007907	J Barlow	July Zoom refund	£15.59
24.07.2023	007908	J Barlow	Photo frames – Biebertal	£9.88
24.07.2023	007909	Rogers Jones	Artefacts Valuation	£288.00
24.07.2023	007910	Catalyst	June back-up	£4.78
24.07.2023	007911	Catalyst	June telephony	£58.78
24.07.2023	007912	Hywel Evans	Civic Sunday photos	£14.00
			Total	£4712.93

August

01.08.2023	007919, 007920 & 007921	Jones & Graham	August Salary	£3423.82
16.08.2023	007922	P Liversidge	July Grounds maintenance	£175.00
16.08.2023	007923	Events insc Serv	Fireworks cancellation insurance	£443.10
16.08.2023	007925	Rhuddlan TC	Charity event 15.09.2023	£22.00
16.08.2023	007986	Catalyst	July telephony	£58.78
16.08.2023	007987	Catalyst	July back-up	£4.62
16.08.2023	007988	Info Commissioner	Annual subscription	£40.00
16.08.2023	007989	Highlife Elect Ltd	Drive by catenary wire/bolt testing	£396.00
			Total	£4563.32

62.3 Payments requiring authorisation: The following payments were authorised.

- 62.3.1 OVW membership 2023/2024 £1636.00
(Chq no 008008)
- 62.3.2 DCC grounds maintenance 2023/2024 £1658.41
(Chq no 008009)
- 62.3.3 DCC 2nd quarterly contribution Town Hall £9250.00
(Chq no 008010)

62.4 List of Credits received July & August 2023, agreed and noted.

Credits July 2023

19.07.2023	£2.00	Refund P Liversidge
25.07.2023	£20.00	Donation Prestatyn – Mayors Charity
31.07.2023	£290.89	Credit interest
Total	£312.89	

Credits August 2023

31.08.2023	£286.44	Credit interest
31.08.2023	£77,814.00	Precept
Total	£78,100.44	

62.5 Grant Aid: Nil

62.6 Payments received: None

62.7 Quotations – None

63 Planning:

- 63.1 01/2023/0545
Adjacent to Llys Y Grawys & Hand Inn, Henllan Street, Denbigh

Crown reduction work to one Portuguese Laurel and one Cherry tree within Denbigh Conservation area.

No objections raised.

63.2 01/2022/0523

Graig Quarry, Graig Road, Denbigh

Consolidating application for the extension of winning and working of limestone, importation of inert waste and restoration to amenity land.

The town councillors had no additional objections to those listed in July 2022. Objections were raised on the following grounds:

Environmental issues to include health and wellbeing, damage to properties, dust pollution, noise pollution, loss of green spaces, loss of public space for recreational purposes,

Traffic – more traffic at an already busy road. High impact on local residents.

No benefit to Denbigh residents.

There is no need for the product from the quarry in Denbighshire.

The town councillors would also like it noted that if the plans do not come to fruition and in time the quarry closes that the current employees are offered work at an alternative location and not made redundant.

63.3 01/2023/0567

Unit 3, Denbigh Shopping Park, Station Road, Denbigh

Display of one illuminated fascia sign and one digital display screen.

No objections raised however the town councillors requested that the light be turned off after the shop closes each day. This will benefit local residents.

63.4 01/2023/0558

Land at Former 56 Henllan Street, Denbigh

Erection of 3 dwellings and 5 self-contained flats including access, internal estate roads, landscaping and associated works.

Objections were raised.

The town councillors agreed that a development is required however:

A Site meeting is required to discuss the following:

The site will look out of place with the other properties in the street.

It is overdeveloped.

Will affect light for existing properties in the area – the properties are 3 / 4 stories high.

Privacy issues for existing properties.

Impact on the highway from the additional properties.
Stream/flooding issues in the area.

63.5 01/2023/0584

58 Vale Street, Denbigh

Reduction of 1 no birch tree within Denbigh Conservation Area.

No objections raised

63.6 01/2023/0577

Isgoed, Coppi Road, Denbigh

Erection of an agricultural building for the storage of fodder.

No objections raised

64 Mayor's update – details noted. Cllr Catherine Jones was thanked for her attendance at events during Cllr Alyn Ashworth' holiday.

65 Other Meetings attended by town councillors.

65.1 Fireworks 16.08.2023 – details noted

65.2 Christmas Lights 16.08.2023 – details noted

65.3 Cllr Catherine Jones confirmed attendance of the Buttermarket project. They have been awarded 1.4M and need to move in by Nov 2024. There is one vacant space available.

65.4 Cllrs Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood Tickle, Andrew Hind & Sioned Mather have completed their mandatory Code of Conduct training.

66 Volunteers at events:

66.1 Car Rally 24.09.2023

Cllrs Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood Tickle, Alyn Ashworth agreed to help with the car park with Cllr Catherine Jones assisting with the registration.

66.2 Fireworks 5th November

Cllr Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood Tickle, Pip Stevens, Gaynor Morgan Rees, agreed to assist with Cllr Catherine Jones at Love Lane with Chapter 8 and Cllr Sioned Garrod at Portland place. Cllrs Pip Stevens, Roy Tickle and Alyn Ashworth agreed to leaflet the castle area and Lon Llewelyn.

66.3 Fireworks bucket collection.

Cllr Catherine Jones to assist.

66.4 Fireworks Clearing 6th November

Cllrs Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood Tickle & Alyn Ashworth volunteered.

66.5 Christmas lights Switch on 24.11.2023

Cllrs Gaynor Morgan Rees, Sioned Garrod, Pip Stevens, Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood Tickle volunteered. Cllr Catherine Jones to action road closure and leafleting parked cars.

67 Date for the diary - Remembrance – noted.

67.1 Saturday 11.11.23 – short service at the Angel monument

67.2 Official remembrance service – Sunday 12.11.23.

The Chair closed the meeting at 19.57 pm

Signed:.....

Date:.....