

Minutes of the Denbigh Town Council Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 24.01.2024, 6.30pm via Hybrid.

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

Cllr Catherine Jones advised that she was chairing the meeting due to Cllr Alyn Ashworth being unwell. The chair welcomed all to the January Full Council meeting.

108 Apologies for absence. Cllr Lara Pritchard.

109 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 no	Prejudicial/Personal
Roy Tickle	6.3.4	Prejudicial
Roy Tickle	6.3.5	Prejudicial
Gaynor Wood Tickle	6.3.4	Prejudicial
Gaynor Wood Tickle	6.3.5	Prejudicial

110 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th December 2023 were agreed and noted.

111 Matters arising:

111.1 The town clerk confirmed that maps of Denbigh had been received and circulated earlier in the day.

111.2 Update from planning department re tree applications and works was noted.

111.3 Confirmation received that the ivy has been removed from the Butchers wall at the Dr EP garden.

112 Correspondence received.

112.1 Welsh Government consultation of Fairer Council Tax was noted.

112.2 Changes to the household waste collection model for the County was noted.

112.3 Confirmation received of grant allocation from Denbighshire Event Infrastructure Fund for the sum of £7250.00 to purchase 200 chairs for the town hall.

112.4 Local Health Conversations Denbigh – 30th January. The town clerk to find out the time of this event and circulate.

112.5 Update regarding the Denbigh Museum & Archive moving – noted.

113 Finance

113.1 Finance – bank reconciliation reports December 2023 – were agreed and noted. (Payments, receipts and quarterly budget forecast were also circulated and noted)

113.2 List of payments made in December 2023 were agreed and noted.

04.12.2023	008070, 008071 & 008072 Jones & Graham	Dec Salary	£5283.16
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04.12.2023	008073	Print Approved Ltd	Free Tap water window stickers	£102.00
04.12.2023	008074	Dwr Cymru	Dr EP Garden 13.05 – 23.11	£144.35
04.12.2023	008075	SLCC	Membership J Barlow	£288.00
04.12.2023	008076	J Barlow	Travel 04.11 – 21.11	£57.60
04.12.2023	008077	J Barlow	Nov Zoom refund	£15.59
04.12.2023	008078	G Wood	Christmas grotto refund	£98.57
04.12.2023	008079	G Wood	Christmas lights refund	£24.98
08.12.2023	008080	J Barlow	Mayors Christmas Gifts	£162.11
08.12.2023	008081	Catalyst	Dec broadband	£52.80
08.12.2023	008082	P Liversidge	Dr EP Garden litter pick	£15.00
08.12.2023	008083	Canda Copying Ltd	Photocopies 31.08 – 30.11	£25.50
08.12.2023	008084	Canda Copying Ltd	Photocopier rental 01/12 – 29/02	£47.46
08.12.2023	008091	J Barlow	Travel 06.12.2023	£28.50
08.12.2023	008092	Gwehydd	Website hosting	£170.00
08.12.2023	008093	P Liversidge	Dr EP Garden – waste removal	£15.00
15.12.2023	008096	Catalyst	Nov back-up	£4.67
15.12.2023	008096	Catalyst	Nov telephony	£58.78
Total				£6594.07

113.3 Payments requiring authorisation: the below payments were agreed and noted by the town councillors.

- 113.3.1 DCC – CCTV monitoring services for 5 cameras £574.72
(chq no 007932)
- 113.3.2 Cambrian Woodland – 2 Roundabouts Christmas trees £1596.00
(chq no 007933)
- 113.3.3 Furniture @ Work – 200 x banquet chairs £8700.00
(chq no 007934)
- 113.3.4 DCC – town hall contribution £9250.00
(Chq no 007935)
- 113.3.5 DCC – town hall additional contribution £10000.00.
(Chq no 007936)

113.4 List of receipts in December were agreed and noted.

December Credits received:			
12.12.2023	Santa money received	£460.00	
12.12.2023	Christmas market money received	£555.00	
21.12.2023	DCC precept	£77,814.00	
27.12.2023	DCC – Grant re chairs	£7,250.00	
29.12.2023	Credit interest	£337.62	
Total		£86,416.62	

113.5 Grant aid authorised:

- 113.5.1 Free First – (deferred from December meeting.) S137 £686.96.
(Chq no 007937)
- 113.5.2 Urdd fund for all appeal. S145 £100.00
(Chq no 007938)

113.6 Confirmation of chq payments received were noted – Denbigh in Bloom.

113.7 How grant payments were used – 6 month review – Denbighshire County of Sanctuary. The town councillors agreed that the money could be used for a revised event before the end of the current financial year.

113.8 Quotations. The town councillors agreed on the below:

113.8.1 Safety Focus – H & S provision 2024/2025.

113.8.2 CCTV monitoring fee x 5.

113.8.3 Replacement Christmas lights.

113.8.4 Paul Liversidge – grass cutting maintenance 2024/2025.

113.8.5 Bodfari Environmental – Dr EP Garden maintenance 2024/2025.

113.8.6 Christmas lights up & down 2024.

113.8.7 Car Parking subsidy details. The town councillors agreed to support the local residents and visitors to Denbigh with 30 min free parking at the Factory Ward Car Park for the financial year 2024/2025.

114 Planning.

114.1 01/2023/0753

7 Vale Street, Denbigh

Conversion of first and second floors to form 1 self-contained flat including alterations to shopfront and fenestration, erection of single storey extension to rear and associated works.

No objections raised.

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114.2 01/2023/0818

Chirbury House, Back Row, Denbigh

Change of use from existing café (use class A1/A3 to dog grooming salon (use class Sui Generis).

No objections raised.

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114.3 01/2023/0829

Lidl, 89 Vale Street, Denbigh

Removal of 3 tree stumps within Denbigh conservation area.

No objections raised

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114.4 01/2023/0923

Lidl, 89 Vale Street, Denbigh

Erection of replacement trolley bay, alterations to existing parking and associated works.

No objections raised

The town councillors would like it noted that there is still a need for both disabled parking and parent and child parking. Not displayed on the plans shown.

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115 Mayor's update – details were noted. Cllr Catherine Jones advised that the Mayors Charity event on the 20th was wonderful.

116 Other Meetings attended by town councillors.

116.1 Meeting attended by Town Councillors and Clerk at the Jones Bros site, North Wales Hospital on the 16th January. The meeting was very beneficial. Jones Bros confirmed that no monies had been received to date from any grant allocated and had 3 phases for the project. Key points raised by the town councillors was that there has been a lack of information circulated with either the town council or the general public. Jones Bros confirmed that this will be rectified. The town clerk will contact the planning department with an update regarding planning application 01/2023/0767.

116.2 Cllr Andrew Hine confirmed attendance of the CCTV partnership on the 23rd January. The partnership are looking at changing the location of the monitoring from Chester to Colwyn Bay.

116.3 Cllr Catherine Jones attended a meeting of the Buttermarket on the 22nd January. Funding of £250k has been lost and the group are looking at funding from elsewhere to fill the gap. The existing kitchen has been removed as well as plaster from the walls to reveal stunning stone walls. There is a meeting to be held on the 2nd February with DCC. Currently there is one available space left at the Buttermarket.

117 Walled Towns Dinner – Friday 15th March 2024 at the Guild Hall. The town clerk confirmed that Denbigh was hosting the event this year and would like as many of the town councillors to attend the event.

118 The town clerk confirmed that the Co-Option vacancies had been re advertised with a closing date of the 9th February and the job vacancy had also been advertised with a closing date of 13th February.

119 Events:

119.1 Heritage Lectures details circulated.

119.2 Chair at Lectures:

29th Feb – Cllr Catherine Jones

7th March – Cllr Sylvia Jennings

14th March – Cllr Andrew Hine

21st March – Cllr Alyn Ashworth

28th March – Cllr Sioned Garrod

119.3 Payment to lecturers to cover minor costs – town councillors agreed with a payment of £50.00 per lecture.

119.4 Bucket collection – Town Councillors agreed for the money to be raised on behalf of the Mayor's charities.

119.5 St David's Day event. The town clerk advised that the parade is going ahead as in previous years. Cllrs Gaynor Morgan Rees, Catherine Jones, Alyn Ashworth, Phillip

Stevens, Sioned Garrod, Jan Tomlinson, Roy Tickle and Gaynor wood Tickle will assist at the event.

120 Councillors remuneration payments 2023/2024 – Payment will be made in March.

120.1 Opt our form will be circulated.

120.2 HMRC starter form will be circulated.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.08 pm

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