

At a **MEETING of COUNCIL** held on Wednesday 17th April 2013 in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Wellington Road, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor W. N. Tasker (Mayor)

Councillors I. Armstrong, B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, E. M. Chard, A. R. James, Mrs P. M. Jones, J. May, Mrs M. McCarroll, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, P. Prendergast, Miss S. L. Roberts, A. J. Rutherford, Miss R. Siddall, D. Simmons and Miss C. L. Williams.

Mr G. J. Nickels - Town Clerk
Mr R. A. Hughes – Finance Officer
Miss H. J. Windus - Personal Assistant & Secretary

99. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J. Butterfield MBE (on holiday), Ms J. Hughes (work commitment), B. Mellor (work commitment) and S. H. Ratcliffe (indisposed).

100. MINUTES

The Minutes of the following Meetings of Council and Committees were submitted for approval as a correct record:

Council - 20th March 2013 - Min.Nos. 85-95

Proposed by Councillor W. N. Tasker and seconded by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 20th March 2013 - Min.Nos. 59-61

Proposed by Councillor Mrs E. M. Chard and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Special Council - 27th March 2013 - Min.Nos. 96-98

Proposed by Councillor A. J. Rutherford and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Special Planning Committee - 27th March 2013 - Min.Nos. 62-64

Proposed by Councillor Mrs E. M. Chard and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

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To Confirm or otherwise:

Finance & General - 3rd April 2013 - Min.Nos.176-185
Purposes Committee

Arising from Minute No. 183 of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 3rd April 2013 the Town Clerk sought authority for the meeting with Town Centre Businesses and organisations to discuss future illuminations to be held on 24th April 2013 at 6.30 p.m. Some Members indicated that this would coincide with a Planning training event organised by the Denbighshire County Council

Proposed by Councillor B. Blakeley and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record and confirmed for action and the meeting relating to illuminations be held on 24th April 2013 at 6.30pm.

101. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor referred to the list of engagements he had attended since the last meeting of Council (circulated with Agenda) for Members' information, and in particular to the visit by the 1st High Lane Group Scouts from Stockport to Rhyl beach and RNLI Lifeboat Station which he and his Consort had really enjoyed. Councillor Tasker reported that the Scout Group had kindly presented him with a memento of their trip, which was on display in the Mayor's Parlour.

102. PRESENTATION: FORYD CENTRE, RHYL.

Further to Minute No.35 of the meeting of Council held on 19th September 2013, the Town Clerk advised that Ms Davies and Councillor Hughes were unable to deliver the presentation due to work commitments.

RESOLVED that the item be deferred to a future meeting.

103. QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

104. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960, on the grounds of confidentiality.

105. MARSH TRACKS WORKING GROUP

Further to Minute No.51 of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 5th September 2012, the confidential joint report was presented by the Working Group and the Town Clerk (circulated with Agenda).

The Finance Officer advised of some flexibility in meeting the proposed £600 spend thanks to a saving made within another budget this year.

RESOLVED *that:*

- i) The Town Clerk be authorised to proceed with the Working Group's initiative with £600 approved for the first trial period starting at the end of May 2013 but noting that additional costs would be incurred by the Council in administrating, publicising and translating documents for the initiative.*
- ii) Councillor Miss R. Siddall be nominated to join the Working Group with a view to implementing a similar scheme already in operation between Rhyl High School and Marsh Tracks.*
- iii) The Council's School Governors work with the Working Group to lend practical assistance when called upon by the Group.*
- iv) The Town Clerk / Working Group to monitor progress and envisaged costs and report back following the three trial sessions.*

106. ADDITIONAL ITEM: BANK MANDATES

Further to Minute No. 2 of the 6th June 2013 the Town Clerk reported that the new Finance Officer, Mr Ashley Hughes, had been included as a signatory for the Council's investment accounts and the Town Council's Current Accounts.

RESOLVED *that the action of the Town Clerk be confirmed.*

107. ADDITIONAL ITEM: USE OF A MINI BUS

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a request from a Rhyl based Cycle club who are in need of a mini bus to take them to race in Shrewsbury on Sunday 12th May 2013. The Town Clerk asked Members if they knew of an organisation who might be willing to loan their mini bus to them.

RESOLVED *that any Member able to assist contact the Town Clerk.*

108. ADDITIONAL ITEM: CANON JOHN GLOVER

The Town Clerk reminded Members that Canon Glover would be retiring at the end of June 2013 after 16 years as Vicar of Rhyl and asked the Council how they would like to mark the occasion.

RESOLVED *that Canon Glover be presented with a Town Crest on the stage at the Mayor's Gala Awards this Friday evening, and a further gift be decided upon at a future meeting.*

109. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further items of business the Mayor declared the meeting of Council closed.

Mayor:

Date: