

At a **MEETING of COUNCIL** held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2015 in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Wellington Road, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

## **PRESENT**

Councillor Miss S. L. Roberts (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, Mrs E. M. Chard, A. R. James, Mrs P. M. Jones, Ms J. McAlpine, B. F. Moylan, P. Prendergast, S. H. Ratcliffe, R. Siddall, S. F. Walker and Miss C. L. Williams.

Mr G. J. Nickels – Town Clerk  
Miss H. J. Windus – Deputy Town Clerk

### **82. OPENING OF MEETING**

In the absence of the Mayor's Chaplain, Rev. Stan Walker commenced proceedings by leading all present in prayer.

### **83. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for non-attendance were received on behalf of Councillors I. Armstrong (indisposed), Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE (on holiday), Ms J. Hughes (work commitment), J. May (other commitment), B. Mellor (other commitment), Mrs W. M. Mullen-James (indisposed), A. J. Rutherford (other commitment), D. Simmons (other commitment) and W. N. Tasker (indisposed).

### **84. MINUTES**

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

Meeting of Council - 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015 - Min.Nos. 73-81

Proposed by Councillor Miss S. L. Roberts and seconded by Councillor Mrs E. M. Chard and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015 - Min.Nos. 33-35

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

Planning Committee - 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 - Min.Nos. 36-38

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

**To Confirm or otherwise:**

Finance & General - 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 - Min.Nos. 51-63  
Purposes Committee

Proposed by Councillor P. Prendergast and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record and confirmed for action.

**85. MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Deputy Mayor referred to the list of engagements she and the Mayor had attended over the last month, and in particular to the Carol Service at Abbeyfield Sheltered Housing in Rhyl, that she had attended and really enjoyed.

**86. RHYL BUSINESS GROUP – PROPOSED JOINT MEETING**

The Town Clerk reported that the Business Group were offering either 22<sup>nd</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> January 2016 to meet with the Town Council for a breakfast meeting at the Wellington Community Centre at 7.30am for 8.00am.

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) *the preferred date was Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January and Councillors A. R. James, Mrs P. M. Jones, B. F. Moylan, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, P. Prendergast and Miss S. L. Roberts confirmed their attendance.*
- (ii) *the Town Clerk to e-mail all Members offering those not present at the meeting the opportunity to attend.*

**87. INFORMATION ITEM: PLANTING OF DAFFODIL BULBS**

The Town Clerk reported that Councillor Mellor had requested that he remind Members that 'Rhyl in Bloom' needed their help to plant the bulbs on East Parade the coming Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> December, meeting at the Pavilion Theatre car park at 10.00am.

**88. QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public present.

**89. 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.

**90. HONORARY FREEMAN / FREEWOMAN REPORT**

The Town Clerk referred to his confidential report (circulated with agenda) including a submission from a Member for an individual to be considered for the award.

**RESOLVED** that the individual be approved for the award.

**91. OFFICE ACCOMMODATION – PROGRESS REPORT**

The Town Clerk advised that there was nothing new to report.

**92. ADDITIONAL ITEM: APPROACH BY WHITE ROSE CENTRE**

The Town Clerk reported that he had met with the Centre Manager, Mr R. Henderson, to discuss a number of issues Mr Henderson wanted to raise with the Town Council.

The Town Clerk suggested that a small number of Members join him for a further meeting with Mr Henderson as a way of moving these issues forward.

**RESOLVED** that Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, A. R. James and P. Prendergast attend the meeting with Mrs P. M. Jones as a substitute, if needed, at a time to be arranged by the Town Clerk.

**93. ADDITIONAL ITEM: COUNCILLOR D. SIMMONS PERIOD OF ABSENCE**

The Town Clerk advised that in light of Councillor Simmons standing down from his Town Council duties whilst a personal matter is resolved, there was a need for substitutes to be appointed to carry out a number of his roles in the interim.

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) Councillor A. R. James be appointed to the North and Mid Wales Association of Larger Councils with Councillor P. Prendergast as substitute.
- (ii) The Town Clerk to attend the final meeting of the Foryd Harbour Programme Board.
- (iii) Councillor S. H. Ratcliffe be appointed as a negotiator on matters relating to the Town Council's Lease at the Wellington Community Centre and to the Town Council's potential relocation, with Councillor A. R. James as substitute.
- (iv) Councillors P. Prendergast and S. H. Ratcliffe to accompany the Town Clerk to a Welsh Government Road Show at Conwy Business Centre in January 2016.

**94. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

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

Deputy Mayor: .....

Date: .....