

At a **MEETING of COUNCIL** held on Wednesday 21st November 2018 in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Wellington Road, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James (Mayor)

Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, Mrs E. M. Chard, Ms J. Hughes, A. R. James, A. S. Johnson, B. Jones, K. R. Jones, Mrs P. M. Jones, Mrs D. L. King, P. Prendergast, Miss S. L. Roberts, Ms V. Roberts, A. J. Rutherford, T. Thomas and R. J. Turner.

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

81. OPENING OF MEETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor's Chaplain, Archdeacon of St. Asaph, the Rev. Andy Grimwood, commenced proceedings by leading all present in prayer.

82. APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received on behalf of Councillors J. Ball, Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE, Ms J. L. McAlpine, B. Mellor and Miss C. L. Williams.

83. MINUTES

The minutes of the following meetings of Council and committees were submitted for approval as a correct record:

Meeting of Council - 17th October 2018 - Min.Nos.68-80

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

Planning Committee - 17th October 2018 - Min.Nos.27-29

Proposed by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and seconded by Councillor A. S. Johnson and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 7th November 2018 - Min.Nos.30-32

Proposed by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and seconded by Councillor A. S. Johnson and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

To Confirm or otherwise:

Finance & General Purposes Committee - 7th November 2018 - Min.Nos.66-78

Proposed by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and seconded by Councillor Mrs E. M. Chard and **RESOLVED** as a correct record and confirmed for action.

84. PRESENTATION: WELSH GOVERNMENT'S NEST PROGRAMME

The Town Clerk advised that unfortunately the Partnership Development Manager for the programme, Mr Rick Ward, was unable to attend and had rearranged for the March 2019 meeting of Council.

85. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor advised of the various events she had attended during the past month, and in particular mentioned her coffee morning in aid of the British Heart Foundation, which she was delighted to report had raised over £740.

Councillor P. Prendergast thanked Councillor Mullen-James for attending the RNLI Fish Supper at the Rhyl Lifeboat Station.

RESOLVED that the report was received.

86. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS / ADDITIONS TO APPROVED SUPPLIERS LIST

Further to minute no.143 of the meeting of council held on 15th March 2017 and in accordance with the council's adopted financial regulations, the Town Clerk submitted schedule B (a list of non-regular payments to be released over the coming month) and details of a number of suppliers recommended to be deleted from the approved suppliers list.

RESOLVED that the following were approved for payment and signed by two councillors.

Supplier	Details of Supply	Voucher Number	Date	Amount £
Cllr B Mellor	Travel Expenses to NMWATC Meeting in Welshpool	615	05/11/18	65.70
B Creative Limited (via Amazon)	250 envelopes for greetings cards	616	17/10/18	8.52
Conrad	5 x 2019 Dairies	617	07/11/18	9.60
JTM Signs	Signs for Remembrance Sunday	618	07/11/18	288.00
Newsquest Media	Advert for Remembrance Sunday	619	08/11/18	120.00
Ruthin Mayors Charity Account	Donation for Charity Evening 17 th Nov 2018	620	26/10/18	35.00
Total Schedule B				£526.82

87. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS TO 30th SEPTEMBER 2018 AND FORECASTS FOR THE 2018/19 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Town Clerk presented his and the Finance Officer's joint report (circulated with agenda) showing performance against budget.

RESOLVED the report was received.

88. RHYL TOWN COUNCIL REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS

Further to minute no.70 of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 7th November 2018, the Town Clerk asked members to formally approve the revised Standing Orders (copies previously circulated).

RESOLVED that the revised Standing Orders were approved.

89. INFORMATION ITEM: REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Councillor P. Prendergast advised of his concerns with elements of the service at St. Thomas' Church and sought members' support for a meeting with the new Vicar, Rev. Mansfield, and the Town Council to iron out some minor problems for next year.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk to meet with Rev. Mansfield.

90. INFORMATION ITEM: SC2 SITE VISIT

The Town Clerk advised that an invitation had been extended to all Town Councillors to visit the SC2 site on either Friday 30th November or Wednesday 5th December at a time of their choosing.

RESOLVED that the majority of councillors were available at 3.30pm on Wednesday 5th December.

91. INFORMATION ITEM: SC2 NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIP EVENT

The Town Clerk advised that an invitation had been extended to all Town Councillors to attend the above at 1891 restaurant between 3pm and 5pm on Thursday 29th November.

RESOLVED that Councillors A. R. James, A. S. Johnson, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, Ms V. Roberts, T. Thomas and Miss C. L. Williams would attend.

92. INFORMATION ITEM: NORTH WALES PUBLIC SERVICE BOARDS' (PSB) WORKSHOP

The Town Clerk reported that he and the Deputy Clerk would attend the above at Bodelwyddan Community Centre from 10am until 1pm on Friday 30th November.

93. INFORMATION ITEM: 'CHRISTMAS POPS'

The Town Clerk referred to the usual ticket allocation for councillors, which were then distributed to the councillors present.

94. INFORMATION ITEM: HIGH STREET CHRISTMAS TREE

Councillor A. J. Rutherford advised of a negative story on social media about the size and health of the tree.

Members added their concerns about the quality of the tree as provided by the town council.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk to go and look at the tree tomorrow and speak to the company who provides the tree, Proarb, if the concerns are valid.

95. QUESTION TIME

No questions were asked.

96. 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.

97. INFORMATION: CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

The minutes of the following meetings of the Grounds Maintenance Sub-Committee and the Strategic and Operational Planning (SOP) Committee were submitted for information to the wider membership:

Grounds Maintenance Sub-Committee	-	23 rd November 2017	-	Min.Nos.16-21
Grounds Maintenance Sub-Committee	-	19 th December 2017	-	Min.Nos.22-25
SOP Committee	-	10 th September 2018	-	Min.Nos.22-27
SOP Committee	-	8 th October 2018	-	Min.Nos.28-34

RESOLVED that the minutes were received.

98. COUNCILLOR CONCERNS / REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION FOR ABSENCE FROM MEETINGS

Further to minute no.77 of the meeting held on 7th November 2018, the Town Clerk reported that the councillor concerned had committed to attending the Finance and General Purposes Committee on 5th December 2018, removing the need to consider his request for dispensation.

Members of the panel established to meet with the councillor advised that the meeting was productive.

Councillors thanked the panel for their time and commitment to dealing with the concerns raised by the councillor.

RESOLVED that the information was received.

99. CLOSURE OF MEETING

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

Mayor:

Date: