

At a **MEETING of COUNCIL** held on Wednesday 20th March 2019 in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Wellington Road, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

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

Councillors Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE, Mrs E. M. Chard, Ms J. Hughes, A. R. James, A. S. Johnson, B. Jones, K. R. Jones, Ms J. McAlpine, B. Mellor, P. Prendergast, Ms V. Roberts, A. J. Rutherford, T. Thomas, R. J. Turner and Miss C. L. Williams.

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

149. OPENING OF MEETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

150. APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received on behalf of Councillors J. Ball, B. Blakeley, Mrs P. M. Jones, D. L. King, Miss S. L. Roberts and Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones.

151. MINUTES

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

Meeting of Council - 20th February 2019 - Min.Nos.135-148

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

Planning Committee - 20th February 2019 - Min.Nos.52-54

Proposed by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and seconded by Councillor Ms J. L. McAlpine and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 6th March 2019 - Min.Nos.55-57

Proposed by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and seconded by Councillor Ms J. L. McAlpine and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

To Confirm or otherwise:

Finance & General Purposes Committee - 6th March 2019 - Min.Nos.104-115

Proposed by Councillor A. J. Rutherford and seconded by Councillor Miss C. L. Williams and **RESOLVED** as a correct record and confirmed for action subject to the above attendance amendment.

152. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor referred to the events she and the Deputy Mayor had attended during the past month and in particular to the opening of the seafront Travelodge hotel, Mrs Margaret Clark's 100th birthday celebrations, the opening of the Geufron Community Food Garden, the launch of Wales Open Doors' Christ the Word School and to the Celebration of Community Awards.

RESOLVED that the report was received.

153. **PRESENTATION: WELSH GOVERNMENT'S NEST PROGRAMME**

Further to minute no.25 of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 4th July 2018, the Town Clerk advised that unfortunately Mr Rick Ward, Partnership Development Manager for the programme was unable to attend.

Mr Ward had sent a copy of his presentation through and the Town Clerk asked if members would like to see it before deciding whether to invite Mr Ward again to provide more detail on the work of the programme.

RESOLVED that the presentation to be circulated to members.

154. **PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS REPORT (SCHEDULE A) – MARCH 2019**

The Town Clerk presented his report (circulated with agenda) detailing the schedule of payments made.

Voucher No.	Supplier name	Amount £	Description of Goods & Services
702	TAPE	125.00	Ghostbuskers performance at St. David's Day event
703	Cllr Mrs Win Mullen-James	25.00	Reimbursement for flowers for a 100 th birthday celebration
	Total payments	£150.00	

RESOLVED that the report was approved and signed off by two councillors.

155. **REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES – FINAL DETERMINATIONS**

The Town Clerk presented his report (circulated with agenda) outlining the panel's determinations and how they are to be implemented; and seeking members' agreement to refer the civic allowances and how they are to be managed to the Civic and Social Events Sub-Committee, which had unfortunately been inquorate at its meeting on 12th March.

The Town Clerk advised that the annual allowance of £150 available to all members would be paid in April, and anyone wanting to decline the payment should complete the form (Appendix 1 to the report) and return it to him as soon as possible.

The Town Clerk confirmed that members' allowances would be published every September on the town council's website along with members' attendance records, which would be published after each municipal year.

RESOLVED that the determinations were received and that the civic allowances element to be duly referred to the Civic and Social Events Sub-Committee and reported back to council.

156. INFORMATION ITEMS

The Chair advised that there were no urgent matters to raise.

157. QUESTION TIME

No questions were asked.

158. 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.

159. INFORMATION: CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

The Mayor referred to the following minutes (circulated with agenda) submitted for members' information.

SOP Committee - 11th February 2019 - Min.Nos.58-66

RESOLVED that the minutes were received.

160. SOP COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONED SERVICES EXPENDITURE

The Town Clerk reported that the SOP Committee recommended offering the unallocated remainder of the 2018/19 Commissioned Services budget (£8,000), to match fund grant applications by the Benefits Advice Shop (BAS) subject to a formal application being made to the town council by the BAS.

The Town Clerk advised that should the monies not be applied for, then they would be returned to the council's reserves and allocated thereafter.

RESOLVED that the recommendation was approved.

161. CLOSURE OF MEETING

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

Mayor:

Date: