

HOLYHEAD TOWN COUNCIL
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2018 6.00 p.m.

Councillors present: Richard Parry (Chairman), Keith Thomas, Vaughan Williams, Hywel Williams, Alan Williams, Mrs B Warner BEM, Mrs Ann Kennedy, Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE, W J Chorlton, Keith Roberts, Glyn Haynes, K Tatlock, R Jones, Adrienne Edwards and Mrs Ailia Lewis MBE

In attendance: C LI Everett (Town Clerk/Financial Officer)
Robert Henderson Communities Services Manager
Mrs P R Scott Clerk/Typist

Before the meeting commenced, everyone in the Council Chamber stood in silence as a mark of respect to remember ex Councillor J V Owen who had recently passed away.

1. To ask the questions – “Is any member of the public or any member making a recording of this meeting?”

No-one was recording the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence were received by Councillor Jennifer Saboor.

3. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY ANY COUNCILLOR OR OFFICER:**

Councillor T Lloyd Hughes MBE in all Planning Applications as he is a member of the Anglesey County Council Planning Committee.

Councillor Mrs Ann Kennedy in correspondence item 10 (b) request for donation as “I am her employer and I would be asked to support the funding request”.

4. **To receive a Presentation from representatives of St David’s Hospice:**

Mr Trystan Pritchard, Chief Executive thanked the Town Council for allowing him to give a short presentation. The Mayor confirmed that he had already met with representatives of the St David’s Hospice who had met him at the Town Hall.

At the present time the St David’s Hospice based in Llandudno covered the three counties of Anglesey, Gwynedd and Conwy and because of its geographical position there were difficulties in transportation for patients and carers alike. Since April of this year the St David’s Hospice and the Hospice At Home Charity merged. Next year the St David’s Hospice at Llandudno would celebrate 20 years and it was proposed to bring services nearer to Anglesey and later on to South Gwynedd in the Dolgellau area. Plans were now being put in place to use the Fali Ward at the Ysbyty Penrhos Stanley Holyhead for Hospice patients and it was envisaged that following slight alterations to the building the facility would be ready for next April with its own entrance door which would provide a 5 star service and allow a family member to stay with the patient in a quiet environment. A Nurse Practitioner would be employed as a figurehead and Doctors would assist to provide palliative care and it would be a specialised unit in its own right to work alongside the NHS. Complimentary therapy such as physio would be provided by the NHS. The hospice’s aim was to provide a local service to people who were most vulnerable and take some of the burden off the NHS. Last year there were 22 patients from Anglesey who used the service at the Llandudno Hospice. The Hospice was an independent Charity and raised funds by its own Lottery draw and Charity shops and it was hoped to open more Charity shops on the island. It was envisaged that it would cost between £350,000.00 and £400,000.00 per year to run the Hospice at the Ysbyty Penrhos Stanley. The Town Clerk stated that he would make the main hall at the Town Hall available free of charge should the Hospice wish to hold any fund-raising events in the future.

Councillors stated that they were supportive of the proposed plans and Mr Pritchard left the Council Chamber at 6.25 p.m.

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5. Receipts and Payments – months of May June and July 2018:

It was resolved that all Receipts and Payments be approved, as follows:-

Receipts May - £53,852.02 June £72,061.31 July £89,141.64

Payments May £132,952.44 (cheque nos. 110893 – 110961) June £87,022.24 (cheque nos. 110962 – 110989) July £119,109.15 (cheque nos. 110990 – 111032)

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Robert Henderson confirmed that the Empire complex had been extra busy during the month of August and its income was substantial for that month since the facility had been opened. The “Mamma Mia” film had proved to be well attended by locals and visitors alike.

6. To receive an up-date from the Chair of the Leisure/Communities Committee:

Councillor W J Chorlton confirmed that the members of the Leisure/Communities Committee were the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, himself, Mrs Ailia Lewis MBE, Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE, Adrienne Edwards, Ken Tatlock and Mrs Beryl Warner BEM and he was keen for this Committee to stick with its current membership. Councillor W J Chorlton stated that he was hopeful that when the next meeting was convened that more Committee members would attend. The Town Clerk asked Councillor W J Chorlton to inform him of the proposed next meeting of the Leisure/Communities Committee so that a formal Agenda could be sent out.

The Committee had met once and some of the members voiced their concern that the Town Clerk had not been successful in obtaining a quote from a Company who specialises in creating skate-park facilities. The Town Clerk stated that he had attempted to contact Companies but because of the amount of funding available had not, as yet, been successful. He had met with one company who are local and is waiting for a quote from them and he would again try to contact Companies who specialised in the creation of skate-parks.

The Town Clerk was hopeful that local large organisations would in the future provide sponsorship/advertising revenue for the Council and he stated that D&P Graphics, Stena Line and DU Construction Ltd were advertised on the popcorn boxes provided at the Empire Cinema.

The Town Clerk stated that both he and the Mayor would meet with a representative of Anwyl Homes in the near future to discuss if they are willing to make a contribution to the improvements under community benefit. Councillors confirmed that they wished the Park in South Stack Road to be officially known as the Holyhead Town Park and not the “Big Park”.

Councillor Mrs Ann Kennedy abstained from voting re the naming of the Holyhead Town Park.

7. To receive an up-date from the Chair of the Finance/Property Committee:

The Chair-person, Councillor Kennedy confirmed that the members of the Finance/Property Committee were:- The Mayor and Deputy Mayor, herself, W J Chorlton, Hywel Williams, Jennifer Saboor, Richard Parry and Keith Roberts ex-officio as Deputy Chair of Finance. Councillor Kennedy confirmed that only 3 members had turned up to the last meeting and only 2 were eligible to vote. The Town Clerk had also been in attendance. The items discussed were that the assets of the Council included from the largest to the smallest. The Town Clerk had confirmed that he had purchasing power for up to £5,000.00, the Lease of the Empire complex was discussed; maintenance of all Council buildings – (to set aside funds); the Insurance policy; rental of offices and the present state of receipts and expenditure.

It was proposed to call a meeting to suit all members of the Committee in the future but due to the summer recess not everyone had been able to attend the meeting that was arranged,

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8. To receive an up-date from the Chair of the Public Relations/Website/Social Media Committee:

The Chairman, Councillor Keith Roberts confirmed that the following Councillors sat on the Committee – Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Vaughan Williams, Mrs Beryl Warner BEM, Adrienne Edwards, Keith Roberts and Councillor Glyn Haynes and that Events needed to be added as well to the title of the Committee.

The Committee had met but due to personal circumstances, Councillor Vaughan Williams was unable to attend.

Robert Henderson reminded Councillors to return their personal contact details back to him so that they could be included on the website – this was for information purposes only, as per the Data Protection Act.

It was discussed that it would be advantageous for the Town Council website to include details of other local organisations as well so that the general public could be informed what was going on. The Town Clerk stated that he would arrange a meeting in the future with Owen Sutton who had control of the website. Councillor Roberts confirmed that the Twitter account and the facebook account was up and running. It was also proposed to supply information on the Town Council website through the medium of Welsh or English. Councillors were reminded of the forthcoming Leinster commemoration and a Service in the Parish church in November 2018 to commemorate the end of the First World War 100 years ago.

Members who wished to have their Agendas E mailed to them were advised to contact the Town Clerk but that they would need to print out the Agenda themselves once the documentation had been sent to them via E Mail.

9. Peibio Play Park Holyhead:

The Town Clerk the Mayor and Councillor Tatlock had met with Gerallt Roberts Leisure officer of the Anglesey County Council as well as a representative of Orthios six weeks ago. The Town Clerk then read out to the members an E Mail from Gerallt Roberts which he had just received prior to the meeting.

The play equipment at Peibio had to be removed by the Anglesey County due to it being not fit for purpose. It was resolved, in principle that the Holyhead Town Council take over the responsibility of the Peibio play park on a 2 year lease which would include checking the play equipment and cutting the grass once the Anglesey County Council had re-instated new play equipment. These checks would not incur too much expense as the checks could be carried out when the check on the Gwelfor play park was being carried out.

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Councillors W J Chorlton, T Lloyd Hughes MBE and Keith Roberts abstained from voting.

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

(a) C W Jones, Acting Head Teacher, Ysgol Llanfawr : Thank you letter for School dictionaries for year 6.

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to note the information contained in the letter.

Minute no. 5300/18

(b) Veronica Huband, Local Asset Co-ordinator, Gwelfor Community Centre : Request for donation : Afternoon Tea Dance Sunday 7th October 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to make a donation of £100.00.

Minute no. 5301/18

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11. PLANNING APPLICATION(s):

Appl no 19C1226 : Full application for alterations and extensions at 2 Maes y Delyn, Kingsland, Holyhead

***It was resolved* to make no objection**

Minute no. 5302/18

Appl no 19LPA1043B/LB/CC : Listed building consent for the erection of 6 affordable dwellings together with the creation of pedestrian access, 8 parking spaces and the demolition and relocation of gate posts on land adjacent to Vulcan Street Holyhead

***It was resolved* to make no objection**

Minute no. 5303/18

The meeting concluded at 8.05 p.m.
