

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD AT 6.30PM ON TUESDAY 14th MARCH 2017, IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, RHIW ROAD, COLWYN BAY

PRESENT: Cllr S Williams, Vice Chairman
Cllrs: W Bagnall, Mrs G Baker, Mrs L Edwards, Mrs M Jones and J Pearson.

OFFICER: Mrs R Dudley, Assistant Town Clerk

390/16 Apologies for Absence:

The Vice Chairman welcomed members to the meeting and apologies for absence were received from Cllrs N Bastow, R Foreman, Cllr Mrs L Griffiths and the Town Clerk, Mrs T Earley.

391/16 Declarations of Interest:

Members were reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of any personal and/or prejudicial interests. None were declared.

392/16 Minutes:

Resolved to approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting, held on 21st February 2017.

393/16 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

Min. 363/16(b) – Picnic Tables:

The Assistant Clerk submitted email correspondence regarding the damaged tables from Sue Morris and the Town Clerk's response. The Town Clerk had requested that a test be carried out to ascertain the cause of the damage.

The correspondence was received and noted.

394/16 Conwy CBC:

The Assistant Clerk submitted, for information, the following correspondence from CCBC:

- a. Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and On Street Parking Places (Consolidation) Order 2006(amendment no 1) Colwyn Bay Promenade:

No objections were made to the Proposed Order and Members were pleased to note the amended Charging Hours. The Committee requested that the Town Clerk issue a Press Release to thank the general public for their part in the Town Council consultation.

- b. The Assistant Clerk submitted documentation relating to the VVP funding towards the replacement bus shelter at Llandudno Road (partly funded by members ward allowances).
The documentation was received and noted.
- c. Notes were submitted from Cllr Bagnall following a recent meeting of the Bay Life Strategic Management Board. Cllr Bagnall also informed the Committee that the Civic Offices site may be sold to a housing association as no hotel buyers had shown any interest in the site.

Cllr Bagnall was thanked for his report.

- d. The Assistant Clerk submitted a response from ERF to a request via a local resident for more benches in 'Tucky Park', Rhos on Sea.

Cllr Glenys Baker informed the committee that she has been asked by a local resident if more benches could be placed at this location as currently there was only one. Conwy CBC had no budget for the provision of additional benches but there was the option of:

- a) Possibly identifying the location as a site for Memorial benches
- b) Town Council to provide benches at this location

Resolved to contact ERF to ask if the park could be identified as a potential site for Memorial benches.

- e. Details were submitted from CCBC regarding support available for local Spring Clean Events due to take place 1st March – 5th March 2017. The information had not been received until 27th February, which was too late to arrange anything.

Resolved to write to ERF to ask for more notice of any future support which the Council can offer to support events.

395/16 Christmas Parking:

The Assistant Clerk submitted an e-mail request from Darren Millar, AM, for funding support to reimburse the BID with half of the cost of free parking provided by CCBC in Rhos on Sea over the Christmas period (CCBC has agreed to refund the other half).

It was noted that the BID had initially requested the free parking from CCBC, due to concerns from traders about the impact the one way system for the waterfront works was having on trade in Rhos. However, businesses had later objected to use of the BID levy monies for compensating CCBC for loss of revenue, as they felt that this was a matter the Council (CCBC) should be assisting them with. Darren Millar had therefore intervened on behalf of businesses to seek to negotiate a refund.

Members expressed concern that this was a matter for the BID and CCBC to resolve and felt that the Town Council (and therefore local council taxpayers) should not be expected to foot the bill, given that the Town Council had previously made a decision to no longer pay CCBC to provide free parking during December in four car parks

across the town. It was also noted that no budget was held for free parking, following the withdrawal of this scheme last year. Therefore, any funding would have to be found from general reserves.

Resolved to recommend that the request from Darren Millar for funding from the Town Council to cover half of the cost of the free parking provision in Rhos on Sea during December be declined.

396/16 Future Generations Commissioner for Wales:

The Assistant Clerk submitted an update and reports from the Commissioner.

Resolved to note and receive the update and report.

397/16 Community Resilience:

The Assistant Clerk submitted correspondence from the Regional Emergency Planning Officer. The Committee felt that it would be beneficial for the Emergency Planning Officer to be invited to speak at a future meeting and requested that the Clerk invite her and also to contact other Town Councils to see what plans they may have in place for emergencies.

Resolved to receive the correspondence, contact other Town Councils and invite Eirwen Jones to address a future meeting of the Council.

398/16 Post Office:

The Assistant Clerk submitted a letter relating the Penmaenrhos Post Office.

Resolved to receive and note the letter.

399/16 Other Correspondence:

It was noted that the following item(s) of correspondence are available on request from the Clerk

- a. News update from Colwyn BID and agenda for Project Board meeting, held on 21st February.
- b. Minutes of an OC(E)RA meeting, held on 8th March 2017.

400/16 Planning:

- a. The Clerk submitted, for consideration, the planning applications received from CCBC.

Resolved to submit observations on these applications, as detailed in Schedule 'A' attached.

- b. *Resolved to receive a copy of the Planning Decisions issued by CCBC for the period 13.2.17 – 26.2.2017.*

- c. Members noted the withdrawal of application 0/43623 – Kings Road, Colwyn Bay and application 0/43602 – United Reform Church, Colwyn Avenue, Rhos on Sea.
- d. Members noted a consultation on LDP13: Affordable Housing SPG.
- e. Pre- Application Consultations were submitted:
 - (i) To consider a pre-application consultation relating to a proposed Re-Use shop[at Mochdre Household Waste recycling centre.
No Objection
 - (ii) The Assistant Clerk submitted details of an information event regarding pre-application community consultation and asked for members of the committee to attend and report back (cost £15 per head).
Cllr Mrs Baker, Cllr Williams and Cllr Mrs Jones said they would attend. The Assistant Clerk would reserve the places.

401/16 Licensing:

No licensing applications were submitted.

The meeting closed at 7.05 p.m.

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