

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD AT 6.30PM ON TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017, IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, RHIW ROAD, COLWYN BAY**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Mrs G Baker, Vice-Chair (Chairman)  
Cllrs: B Barton; D Bradley; C Brockley; G Campbell; C Matthews; M Tasker;  
S Williams; M Worth

**OFFICER:** Mrs C Earley, Town Clerk

**156/17 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from the Mayor, Cllr J Pearson, the Chairman, Cllr N Bastow, and Cllr Mrs M Jones.

**157/17 Declarations of Interest:**

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

**158/17 Minutes:**

- a. *Resolved to approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting, held on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017.*
- b. *Resolved to receive the draft minutes of the Bonfire Sub-Committee meeting, held on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017.*

It was noted that the event is due to be held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November and the Clerk explained why this date had been chosen.

**159/17 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:**

**a. Min.329/16(b) – Cycle Racks in Rhos on Sea:**

The Clerk submitted a brief update report, following a recent site meeting with a Conwy CBC Highways Officer. It was noted that CCBC had agreed that the rarely used cycle stands at the end of the cycle path near the Cayley could be relocated to the corner of Rhos Road/Everard Road (four or five) and the wide prom area near the zebra crossing, by the large planters and benches (the remainder). It was further noted that there may be a small cost, which the Town Council may need to cover from the previously allocated cycle rack budget. Cllr Baker confirmed she has spoken to the nearby business (Pie) and they have no objections.

*Resolved to write to Highways to support this proposal and request they be moved as soon as possible.*

Cllr Baker requested that, if there is any funding remaining in the street furniture budget, this be re-directed towards the cost of purchasing/installing two benches in the play area known as 'Tucky Park' (behind Ysgol Llandrillo yn Rhos). Efforts to obtain memorial benches for this location had not been successful, as families providing these prefer them to be in a location such as the promenade.

***Resolved to request that the Clerk obtains quotations for the supply and installation of two benches, for consideration once the cost of relocating the cycle racks is known.***

**b. Min 87/17 – Llandudno Hospital Stakeholder Meeting:**

The Clerk submitted, for information, a written report from the BCUHB on the recent stakeholder meeting.

**c. Welsh Gov't Workshop re: Higher Activity Radioactive Waste Management and Disposal:**

It was noted that the rescheduled workshop was cancelled due to a lack of interest.

**160/17 Conwy CBC:**

The Clerk submitted, for consideration, the following correspondence from CCBC:

**a. Bus Shelter Maintenance:**

Members received and considered an update of the bus shelter maintenance account balance to date. It was noted that, subject to there being enough funding remaining this year, two requests for new shelters are pending: a replacement for the shelter on Llanrwst Road (by Hafodty Lane), which was not economical to refurbish, and a request for a new shelter on Brompton Avenue, near the A55 junction.

***Resolved that the Clerk requests updated quotations for these two shelters, so that a decision can be made as soon as possible.***

**b. A draft copy of the proposed site plans for the Rhos Prom parking/shared promenade improvements.**

Members queried several items on the plans, including the proposed location of the zebra crossing on Abbey Road, what the red lines are (steps?) and the location of the ramps if they are steps, and where the tenders will be moved to.

***Resolved to request that the Clerk submits these queries to ERF (CCBC).***

**c. Details of the forthcoming Town Rangers work schedule.**

**d. A report from Cllr M Jones on the removal of a footbridge at The Dingle (which it was noted has been sent to ERF for a response).**

- e. Notice that the Bay Life Officers' Meeting, due to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017, was cancelled.
- f. The Clerk tabled notification of a request for a road closure at Queens Drive, Colwyn Bay, from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September, to allow access for a crane for the office development works.

**161/17 Conwy & Denbighshire Public Service Board:**

The Clerk submitted an update from the PSB on the draft Well-Being Plan and members were asked to consider which of the six themes the Town Council may wish to be involved in reference teams for. Members agreed that all six were all relevant to the local area and that we should, therefore, express an interest in all of them, perhaps with the exception of number 1: The first 1,000 days of a child's life, as there were specific multi-disciplinary professional teams required to deliver this.

*Resolved to request that the Clerk responds to express an interest, on behalf of the Town Council, in being involved in the reference teams for themes 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.*

**162/17 Betsi Cadwaldr University Health Board:**

The Clerk submitted an invitation to register on the Health Board's 'Get Involved' website. It was noted that the Clerk has signed up to receive updates, but that individual members can also sign up if they are interested in being kept informed.

*Resolved to receive and note the invitation.*

**163/17 Welsh Government National Development Framework:**

The Clerk submitted details of the next phase of work and it was noted that an expression of interest for involvement in the next phase (developing the preferred option) has been submitted. Information on the follow-up workshops was tabled.

*Resolved that Cllr Bob Barton would attend and report back and that any other member interested in attending either session at Llandudno Junction should contact the Clerk to register.*

**164/17 Tree Charter:**

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Charter Champions Handbook and members were asked to consider information encouraging the gathering of signatures of support and planting a Tree Charter Legacy Tree. The Clerk reminded members that trees are an important part of the history of Colwyn Bay, with the historic and extensive Pwllcrochan woodland forming a prominent backdrop to the town and with the oak tree featuring prominently on the town's coat of arms.

*Resolved to request that the Clerk shares information about gathering signatures of support on the council's website, Facebook and Twitter accounts, to encourage local residents to sign up.*

*Further resolved to contact CCBC to enquire about whether a legacy tree could be planted in a local park / open space and, if so, what species would be preferred.*

**165/17 Street Furniture:**

It was noted that members' assistance is requested to carry out the quarterly inspection of notice boards and seats. Members agreed to send messages and/or images to the Clerk to confirm when their local noticeboards had been inspected.

*Resolved to ask the Clerk to inspect the picnic benches, Princess Diana garden seating and the two Tan Lan noticeboards.*

**166/17 Other Correspondence:**

It was noted that the following items are available on request from the Clerk:

- a. CAIS – Empowering Change Newsletter, Summer 2017
- b. Minutes of a meeting of Glyn Ward Invest Local, held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**167/17 Planning:**

- a. The Clerk submitted notice of the planning applications received from CCBC.

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

The Clerk also read out a brief message of thanks from the CCBC Tree Officer for supporting the Planning Authority in a recent refusal of a tree application which has now gone to appeal.

*Resolved to receive and note the thanks of the Tree Officer.*

- b. The Clerk submitted a copy of the Planning Decisions issued recently by CCBC.

*Resolved to receive and note the planning decisions issued up to 10/9/17.*

- c. It was noted that applications 0/44155 and 0/44156 (former Pump House) have been withdrawn.

**168/17 Licensing:**

The Clerk tabled notice of one recent licensing application for the Colwyn Bay area.

The meeting closed at 7.05 p.m.

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