

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD AT 6.30PM ON TUESDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2016, IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, RHIW ROAD, COLWYN BAY

PRESENT: Cllr N Bastow (Chairman)
Cllrs W Bagnall, Mrs G Baker, Mrs L Edwards, R Foreman, Mrs L Griffiths, Mrs M Jones, J Pearson (Tree Warden), S Williams

OFFICER: Mrs C J Earley

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Mrs H Meredith

316/15 Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from The Mayor, Cllr Mrs S Roy, and Cllrs C Perry and C Wood.

317/15 Declarations of Interest:

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

318/15 Minutes:

Resolved to receive, approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting, held on 12th January 2016.

319/15 Licensing Applications:

Resolved to change the agenda order to take this item early, due to the attendance of Cllr Mrs H Meredith.

The Chairman invited Cllr Meredith to address the Committee and she informed members that residents in the vicinity of the Welsh Mountain Zoo had concerns about the recent licensing application for a new premises license for the café at the zoo (operated by a third party). The application is for plays, films, live music and dance, recorded music, late night refreshment and the supply of alcohol until 12 midnight or 1am and residents were concerned about the impact this may have on the animals at the zoo, who would be disturbed by late night activity/noise and possibly suffer undue stress.

Members were reminded by the Clerk that the licensing list is circulated for information only (the Town Council is not a statutory consultee) and that local members should encourage any residents living in the immediate vicinity of the zoo to write in to Licensing to express their concerns.

Resolved to note the remaining licensing applications.

320/15 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

a. Min. 293/15(c) – Consultation on the Public Health Outcomes Framework:

The Clerk submitted notes from Cllr Mrs G Baker & Cllr Mrs S Roy, who had both attended the meeting.

Resolved to receive the notes and thank Cllrs Baker and Roy for their report.

b. Min. 297/15(a) – Notice Boards:

Members gave verbal reports regarding the condition of notice boards in their wards, following the recent quarterly inspections.

It was noted that some staples and pins had been removed from the board on Colwyn Avenue, Rhos on Sea, and that this would benefit from some re-painting / tidying up. A discussion took place following a suggestion that the board should have a glass front to restrict its use (posters are often displayed which relate to events in other areas). However, it was noted that all of the Council's other boards are open access. Use can be monitored regularly by local Members and any inappropriate or time expired posters should be removed.

Resolved to request that the Clerk arranges for the re-painting / tidying up of the Colwyn Avenue board by the usual contractor (Pinewood).

c. Min. 301/15– Notice of Public Meeting:

Cllr Mrs M Jones confirmed that she had attended the public meeting regarding proposed housing development at Plas Gwilym Quarry, Llysfaen, and that the main concerns had been around the removal of the bridge and unsuitability of access roads (including Peulwys Lane). Concern was also expressed that Welsh Water is not happy with the proposed surface water drainage arrangements. Residents had been encouraged to write individually to the Planning Officer to make their concerns known.

It was noted that this application will be considered alongside others at the appropriate point in the agenda.

321/15 Conwy CBC:

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

- a.** An e-mail from Judi Greenwood, Townscape Heritage Initiative Project Manager, in connection with VVP pipeline projects for the 3rd phase of Pop Up Colwyn Bay, seeking confirmation of the continued support of the Town Council for this project.

It was noted that several of the test traders had gone on to take up more permanent premises and that positive feedback had been received.

Resolved to confirm the ongoing support of the Town Council for the project.

- b. The Clerk submitted a copy of a notice to remove Lansdowne Road car park from the Off Street Parking Places Order, in preparation for the redevelopment of the site for the new CCBC office accommodation.

Resolved to receive and note the notice.

- c. The Clerk submitted, for information, a copy of a concern received about litter which has been forwarded on to ERF (CCBC).

It was noted that a lot of the litter referred to in the correspondence was on Network Rail's land, which was not accessible to the County Council's street cleaning operative. The recent weather conditions (strong winds) had undoubtedly added to the problem.

Resolved to write back to the complainant to inform him of this and to suggest that he also contacts Network Rail about his concerns.

322/15 Health & Well Being Public Lecture Series:

The Clerk submitted information and a brief written report from the Mayor following the most recent lecture, entitled "Working together on health: The huge benefits of a healthy lifestyle" A brief verbal report was also given by the Clerk, summarising the results of a 35 year long study in Caerphilly of the impact of five health behaviours (non-smoking, low body weight /BMI, regular exercise, a healthy diet and low alcohol intake) on long term health and well-being and the prevention of disease. Healthy Living Wales are challenging the people of Wales to adopt one additional healthy behaviour from the five listed and embed this into their lifestyle, then another, in the hope that this will increase the long term health and well-being of people across Wales. See healthylivingwales.co.uk for more information.

Resolved to receive and note the report.

323/15 One Voice Wales:

The Clerk submitted a report from Cllr Mike Harriman, OVW representative on the Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board's Stakeholder Reference Group, covering the new Primary Care Strategy, an Equality update and a report by Deloitte into possible efficiency savings.

Resolved to receive and note the report.

324/15 Queen's 90th Birthday:

The Clerk submitted a copy of the guide circulated to all Councils about celebrating the queen's birthday by lighting a beacon. It was noted that the previous beacon (located at Penmaenhead) had been removed some years ago and that it had been considered dangerous to light.

Resolved to receive and note the beacon information.

325/15 Other Correspondence:

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

- a. Minutes of a meeting of OC€RA, held on 13th January.

326/15 Planning:

- a. The Clerk submitted, for consideration, a summary of the planning applications received from CCBC during the past three weeks.

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

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

The meeting closed at 7.20 p.m.

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