COFNODION CYFARFOD PWYLLGOR POLISI A CHYLLID, CYNGOR TREF BAE COLWYN, A GYNHALIWYD NOS FERCHER, 17EG CHWEFROR 2016 AM 6.30 P.M. YN YR YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR, NEUADD Y DREF, FFORDD RHIW, BAE COLWYN

YN BRESENNOL: Maer y Dref, Y Cynghorydd Dr S. Roy
Y Cynghorydd D. Griffiths, (Cadeirydd)
Cynghorwyr: J. Davies, A. Mason, Mrs H. Meredith, Mrs V. Perry, P. Richards, Mrs V. Smith, S. Taylor, G. Ward.

SWYDDOG: Mrs C. J. Earley, Clerc y Dref

337/15 Croeso ag Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb:

Derbyniwyd ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb oddi wrth y Cynghorwyr A. Khan a T. Pearson.

338/15 Datgan Cysylltiadau:

Atgoffwyd yr aelodau o'r angen iddynt ddatgan unrhyw gysylltiadau personol a / neu gysylltiadau sy'n rhagfarnu, a natur y fath gysylltiadau. Ni ddatganwyd dim.

339/15 Cofnodion:

Penderfynwyd cymeradwyo a llofnodi cywirdeb:

a. Cofnodion y cyfarfod a gynhaliwyd ar 6ed Ionawr 2016
b. Cofnodion Cyfarfod Arbennig a gynhaliwyd ar 25ain Ionawr 2016.
c. Cofnodion Cyfarfod Arbennig a gynhaliwyd ar 10fed Chwefror 2016.

340/15 Materion yn Codi o Gyfarfodydd Blaenorol:

a. Cofnod 279/15(d) – Ymgynghoriad ar y cynigion ar gyfer Dangosyddion Llesiant Cenedlaethol: Fe nodwyd bod copi o ymateb WCVA ar gael gan y Clerc, ar gais.

b. Cofnod 280/15(a) - Pleidlais yr Etholiadau: Cyflwynodd y Clerc gwybodaeth gan Gyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Conwy (CBSC) am y nifer o bleidleiswyr yn y ddau isetholiad diwethaf (wardiau Rhos ag Eirias). Cafwyd cymhariaeth o'r nifer a bleidleisiodd yn y ddau isetholiad blaenorol pan na ddefnyddiwyd cardiau pleidleisio, ynghyd ag esboniad am y gostyngiad yn y nifer o etholwyr a gofrestrwyd.

Fe nodwyd bod y canran o bleidleisiau post allan o'r cyfanswm o bleidleisiau yn llawer uwch pan na ddosbarthwyd cardiau pleidleisio (87% a 76% o'i gymharu â 54% a 47% gyda chardiau pleidleisio). Roedd y canran a bleidleisiodd hefyd yn sylweddol uwch pan ddosbarthwyd cardiau pleidleisio.

c Cofnod 329/15 - Mesur drafft Llywodraeth Leol (Cymru): Fe nodwyd bod copïau o ymateb y Cyngor Tref, Cymdeithas Clercod Cynghorau Lleol ag Un Llais Cymru ar gael gan y Clerc, ar gais.

341/15 <u>Cyllid:</u>

a. ***Penderfynwyd rhoi awdurdod am y taliadau a wnaed ar ran y Cyngor am y cyfnod 1/1/16 hyd at 10/2/2016 fel y maent yn ymddangos yn Atodlen 'A' sydd gyda hwn..***

b ***Penderfynwyd derbyn ac arwyddo copi o'r datganiadau banc diweddaraf.***

c Yn unol â'r Rheoliadau Ariannol a fabwysiadwyd yn ddiweddar, cyflwynodd y Clerc rhestr o'r taliadau rheolaidd i gael eu hawdurdodi ymlaen llaw.

Penderfynwyd rhoi awdurdod am y taliadau rheolaidd fel y maent yn ymddangos yn Atodlen 'B' sydd gyda hwn.

342/15 <u>Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Conwy (CBSC):</u>

a. Cyflwynodd y Clerc, er gwybodaeth, cofnodion cyfarfodydd Rhwydwaith y Clercod a'r Fforwm, a gynhaliwyd ar 13eg Ionawr 2016. Rhoddodd y Clerc adroddiad byr ar lafar i amlygu pwyntiau allweddol y ddau gyfarfod. Mynegwyd pryder at benderfyniad CBSC i ddiddymu cynllun chwarae'r haf yn 2015 heb unrhyw rybudd na thrafodaeth ymlaen llaw. Yn y gorffennol, cafodd y cynllun hwn ei gyllido yn rhannol gan Gynghorau Tref a Chymuned. Roedd yr aelodau o'r farn y byddai'n anodd i unrhyw fudiad gwirfoddol cymryd drosodd rheolaeth o'r cynlluniau chwarae oherwydd yr angen i recriwtio a hyfforddi gweithwyr chwarae gwirfoddol a chostau yswiriant.

Penderfynwyd gofyn i'r Aelodau holi (trwy Gymdeithas Cynghorau Lleol Gogledd a Chanolbarth Cymru) os oedd y fath darpariaeth yn parhau i fod ar gael yn y siroedd eraill yng Ngogledd Cymru a gofyn i hyn cael ei drafod eto yng Nghonwy.

Fe benderfynwyd ymhellach i ofyn i agenda cyfarfod nesaf Fforwm CBSC / Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned cynnwys y bwriad i leihau'r nifer o gasgliadau gwastraff domestig, a'r strategaeth newydd i godi tal am barcio ceir ar feysydd parcio ceir a fu'n ddi-dâl, a lan y môr.

b. Fe nodwyd na fu'n bosibl i'r Clerc fynychu cyfarfod Byw yn y Bae ar 8fed Chwefror ond fe ofynnwyd am ddiweddariad.

c. **<u>Cydbwyllgor Rheoli Theatr Colwyn:</u>** Rhoddwyd adroddiad ar lafar gan y Cynghorwyr D. Griffiths ag S. Taylor yn dilyn cyfarfod Cydbwyllgor Rheoli Theatr Colwyn a gynhaliwyd ar 8fed Chwefror. Fe nodwyd bod y Pantomeim blynyddol wedi bod yn llwyddiannus iawn gyda 216 mwy o gynulleidfa na'r flwyddyn flaenorol ac un perfformiad yn llai. Mae tocynnau ar werth ar hyn o bryd ar gyfer yr un nesaf. Cafwyd trafodaeth ar sut y gellir gwella'r cyfathrebu gyda'r cast yn dilyn perfformiad y 'noson ddinesig'. Roedd y niferoedd yn y cynulleidfaoedd hefyd yn gwella trwy gydol y flwyddyn, gyda chyfanswm o oddeutu 35,000 am y flwyddyn a rhai nosweithiau (yn cynnwys y ffilmiau) yn llawn. Roedd y mwyafrif helaeth o'r rhai oedd yn mynychu'r perfformiadau yn parhau i fod yn bobl leol ond daeth 6.8% o'r cynulleidfaoedd llynedd o Loegr. Nid oedd adroddiad ariannol ar gael ond cadarnhaodd y Cynghorydd Griffiths bod angen parhaus am gymorth ariannol oddi wrth y Cyngor hwn a ChBSC ac mae'n gyfleustra pwysig yn y gymuned.

Penderfynwyd diolch i'r Cynghorwyr Griffiths a Taylor am eu hadroddiadau a gofyn am grynodeb o'r sefyllfa ariannol bresennol.

ch **Adroddiad Blynyddol TCC 2014-15:** Cyflwynodd y Clerc copi o'r adroddiad blynyddol a chyflwyniad cryno ar sleidiau. Fe nodwyd bydd yr ystafell reoli yn symud i swyddfa newydd yn 2017/18 ac yn ystod y ddwy flynedd nesaf, bydd angen cael cyllid ychwanegol i uwchraddio'r camerâu i safon Diffiniad Uchel.

Penderfynwyd derbyn yr adroddiad a'i nodi.

d **Strategaeth Parcio Moduron:** Cyflwynodd y Clerc, er gwybodaeth, adroddiad CBSC yn amlinellu'r bwriad i gyflwyno cynllun codi tal mewn nifer o fannau ar draws y Sir (ar y stryd ac mewn meysydd parcio). Fe nodwyd bod yr adroddiad yn argymell codi tal am barcio ar y promenâd ym Mae Colwyn ac ym maes parcio Berthes Road, Hen Golwyn. Bydd yr argymhellion yn cael eu hystyried gan Gabinet CBSC yr wythnos nesaf, ond fe gynhelir ymgynghoriad llawn cyn gweithredu unrhyw newidiadau. Gofynnodd yr aelodau pa hyd o'r promenâd oedd am fod yn destun talu ac ai CBSC oedd perchennog maes parcio Bertyhes Road. Mynegwyd pryder hefyd am golli llefydd parcio, yn arbennig yn y mannau preswyl ger y promenâd. Fe gydnabuwyd, fodd bynnag, bydda'i r incwm parcio ceir yn helpu efo'r costau o gynnal a chadw'r traeth newydd ag ardal y promenâd.

Penderfynwyd derbyn yr adroddiad a'i nodi a disgwyl am ymgynghoriad pellach yn y man.

343/15 **<u>Llywodraeth Cymru:</u>**

Cyflwynodd y Clerc yr ohebiaeth ganlynol i'w ystyried:

a. Llythyr cyflwyniad Gomisiynydd newydd Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol Cymru.

Penderfynwyd derbyn yr ohebiaeth a'i nodi.

344/15 **<u>Un Llais Cymru (ULlC):</u>**

a. Cyflwynodd y Clerc rhybudd am gyfarfod Pwyllgor y Cynghorau Mwy a gynhaliwyd yn gynharach heddiw. Bu'r Cynghorydd S. Roy yn bresennol yn y cyfarfod a rhoddodd adroddiad byr ar lafar, gan amlygu'r angen a ddatganwyd yn y cyfarfod i gynghorau tref a chymuned ar draws Cymru dangos fwy o barodrwydd i ystyried modelau eraill o gyflwyno rhai gwasanaethau os nad oedd y cyflwyniad o'r gwasanaethau hyn i gael ei drosglwyddo'n uniongyrchol i fudiadau anetholedig y trydydd sector. Trafodwyd hefyd pryderon am y posibilrwydd o drethiant dwbl. Cafwyd trafodaeth hefyd ar sut gall cynghorau sy'n aelodau cael mynediad rhwyddach i Bwyllgor y Cynghorau Mwy a thrafodwyd y dewisiadau megis Is-Bwyllgorau rhanbarthol a chynadleddau fideo. Cafodd Cyngor Tref Bae Colwyn ei ganmol ar y cynllun Myfyrwyr Ymgynghorol oedd yn rhoi llais cryfach i bobl ifanc yr ardal yn y broses o wneud penderfyniadau.

b. Cyflwynodd y Clerc llythyr yn cadarnhau cefnogaeth Llywodraeth Cymru i Un Llais Cymru am gyfnod arall o dair blynedd. Cynhaliwyd adolygiad o Un Llais Cymru yn ddiweddar gan Lywodraeth Cymru a'r canlyniad oedd:

"O gofio'r heriau a wynebir gan y sector, natur y sector a'r anawsterau mae hyn yn dod i allu ymdrin â hwy, mae'r arbenigedd a ddatblygwyd gan ULlC mewn perthynas â'r sector, y gwerth am arian mae'n cynrychioli, a'r cyfleoedd i adeiladau a gwella'r cryfderau sy'n bodoli ar hyn o bryd, fe argymhellir bod Un Llais Cymru yn parhau i gael ei gyllido".

Mynegwyd rhai pryderon gan yr aelodau am amcanion Un Llais Cymru ac a oedd angen am gorff cynrychioliadol ar gyfer ein sector ni, gydag aelodau yn awgrymu mai ein Aelod Cynulliad dylai bod y sianel gynrychioliadol, a mynegwyd pryderon am gorff anetholedig yn sefyll rhwng ein safbwynt unigol ni a Gweinidogion a Swyddogion Llywodraeth Cymru. Mynegwyd pryderon cyffredinol hefyd am swyddogaeth unrhyw swyddogion na chawsant eu hethol, megis Comisiynwyr, a gofynnwyd y cwestiwn, a oes yna wir angen amdanynt?

Cloriannwyd sylwadau'r Pwyllgor gan y Cadeirydd gan ddweud y disgwylir i gynghorau tref a chymuned cynyddu ac ennill dylanwad yn y pum mlynedd nesaf (oherwydd diwygio Llywodraeth Leol) ac ni fydd arnom angen am gorff megis Un Llais Cymru i'r sector erbyn hynny, ac yn hytrach, fe ddylem fod â'r gallu i gadw grym a dylanwad yn nwylo aelodau etholedig.

c. Cyflwynodd y Clerc llythyr yn gwahodd aelodaeth o Un Llais Cymru yn 2016/17 am gost o £3,646 (yn seiliedig ar 12,841 eiddo cymwys) am 28.4c am bob eiddo. Yn dilyn y pryderon a fynegwyd am y gost o ymaelodi a drafodwyd mewn cyfarfodydd blaenorol, cyflwynodd y Clerc gwybodaeth ysgrifenedig a rhoddodd adroddiad ar lafar yn amlinellu pa wasanaethau a roddir gan ULlC ar hyn o bryd y gellir eu cael o ffynonellau eraill.

Penderfynwyd argymell bod:

i. ***Y Cyngor yn ymwrthod rhag ailymuno ag ULlC am 2016/17 ac yn hytrach, caffael cyngor cyfreithiol ar sail ad hoc gan adran gyfraith CBSC (gan ddefnyddio darparwyr eraill lle bo unrhyw achos o wrthdaro buddiannau).***

ii. ***Fe ofynnir gan ein cynrychiolwyr ar Gymdeithas Cynghorau Lleol Gogledd a Chanolbarth Cymru i wasanaethau Avensure (Adnoddau Dynol (AD) / Cyfraith Cyflogaeth ac Iechyd a Diogelwch (I a D)) yn cael eu hystyried fel buddiant o fod yn aelod o'r mudiad hwnnw (efallai y gellir disgowntio ffioedd gan alluogi mwy o bryniant).***

iii ***Bod y Clerc i ofyn a fyddai CBSC yn gallu rhoi gwasanaethau arbenigol ar AD / Cyfraith Cyflogaeth ac I a D ac os mae hyn bosibl, beth fyddai'r costau.***

345/15 <u>Lwfansau Ward Aelodau Lleol:</u>

Atgoffwyd yr aelodau gan y Clerc bod angen i nifer ohonynt gyflwyno cynigion am brosiectau cyn y cyfarfod nesaf (30ain Mawrth) os nad oeddynt am golli eu lwfansau presennol, oherwydd mai lwfans un flwyddyn na wariwyd yn unig y gellir ei gario drosodd.

Penderfynwyd gofyn i'r Clerc cylchredeg y daenlen ddiweddaraf, yn cynnwys maint y lwfansau sydd ar gael, ynghyd â ffurflen cynnig am brosiectau at bob aelod trwy e-bost.

346/15 <u>Taliadau Goramser yn Hytrach na Gwyliau:</u>

Rhoddodd y Clerc adroddiad ar lafar yn gofyn am awdurdod i wneud taliad goramser i'r Clerc Cynorthwyol yn lle'r gwyliau na chymerwyd (37.75 awr) yn ystod y flwyddyn bresennol, na ellir ei gario drosodd.

Penderfynwyd rhoi awdurdod i wneud y taliad goramser fel y dangosir uchod, yn lle'r gwyliau blynyddol na cymerwyd.

347/15 <u>Grantiau:</u>

a. Rhoddodd y Clerc adroddiad byr ar lafar gyda'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am y ceisiadau am grantiau Ieuenctid. Cadarnhawyd bod chwech o geisiadau wedi cael eu derbyn erbyn y dyddiad cau (15fed Chwefror) gan ddod a'r cyfanswm i oddeutu £8,000. Oherwydd bod hyn o fewn y gyllideb oedd ar gael, cytunodd yr aelodau mai gwastraff amser ac adnoddau byddai gwneud penderfyniad arnynt gan ddefnyddio'r system cyllido cyfranogol.

Penderfynwyd argymell bod y ceisiadau yn cael eu cyfeirio at yr Is-Bwyllgor Amwynderau i benderfynu os oes angen am wybodaeth ychwanegol, gydag argymhelliad i ddod yn ôl i gyfarfod nesaf y Pwyllgor hwn.

b. Fe nodwyd bod adroddiadau ac / neu lythyrau o ddiolch wedi cael eu derbyn oddi wrth y canlynol a dderbyniodd lwfansau ward a grantiau:

i Cymdeithas Cymunedol Tan Lan
ii Cymdeithas y Byddar Gogledd Cymru
iii Hafan Cymru
iv Canolfan Cymunedol Bae Colwyn Uchaf
v Siop Cyngor ar Fudd-daliadau
vi Home Start Conwy
vii Ymestyn allan i Ofalwyr
viii Gofal Cancr Tenovus

c Gyda chaniatâd y Cadeirydd, cyflwynwyd yr eitemau canlynol o ohebiaeth mewn perthynas â grantiau.

i Meinciau Coffadwriaeth yr Ail Ryfel Byd:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc cais gan gangen leol y Lleng Prydeinig am £375 i brynu dwy fainc coffadwriaeth yr ail ryfel byd i'w gosod yng Ngerddi'r Frenhines, i gyd-fynd a ddwy fainc coffadwriaeth y rhyfel byd cyntaf a brynwyd llynedd. Fe nodwyd bydd y gangen yn cyfrannu'r £1,500 sy'n weddill a bod Adran Parciau CBSC wedi cytuno i osod y meinciau. Cynigiodd y Cynghorydd V. Perry i roi ei lwfans ward o £300 tuag at hyn, a'r gweddill o £75 i ddod allan o lwfans ward aelod arall o ward Rhiw neu allan o gronfa'r grantiau bach.

Penderfynwyd cymeradwyo'r pryniant allan o lwfans ward y Cynghorydd V. Perry ac aelod arall o ward Rhiw (i'w gadarnhau) ac fel arall i argymell bod y swm o £75 sy'n brin yn dod allan o gronfa grantiau bach 2015/16. i

ii Pen-blwydd 90 y Frenhines:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc ymholiad gan y Cynghorydd Sir D. Milne, yn gofyn a fyddai'r Cyngor Tref yn paratoi unrhyw gyllid i fod ar gael i gynnal partïon stryd i ddathlu pen-blwydd y Frenhines. Fe nodwyd y gellir defnyddio cronfa'r grantiau bach i gyllido digwyddiadau bach yn lleol, ar yr amod bod mudiad gwirfoddol priodol yn barod i gyflwyno cais.

Fe awgrymwyd y gellir defnyddio peth o'r cyllid sydd yn weddill yng nghronfa grantiau Ieuenctid i roi grantiau o hyd at £250 i bob ysgol Gynradd leol, os hoffent drefnu gweithgareddau / digwyddiadau i ddisgyblion i ddathlu pen-blwydd y Frenhines.

Penderfynwyd argymell bod:

1. ***Unrhyw arian sy'n weddill yng Nghronfa Grantiau Ieuenctid yn cael ei ddefnyddio i roi cyllid i gefnogi unrhyw ysgolion cynradd lleol sy'n dymuno trefnu digwyddiadau neu weithgareddau i ddathlu pen-blwydd 90 y Frenhines.***
2. ***Llythyr yn cael ei anfon at bob ysgol Gynradd leol (yn cynnwys Rydal / Penrhos) yn cynnig hyd at £250 i bob ysgol, yn amodol ar dderbyniad ysgrifenedig a manylion am y gweithgareddau / digwyddiadau y bwriedir.***
3. ***Pwyllgor Colwyn yn ei Blodau yn ystyried defnyddio pen-blwydd y Frenhines fel testun cystadlaethau celf Plant ag / neu Oedolion 2016.***

iii Prosiect Dan's Den:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc neges e-bost oddi wrth y Trysorydd a chyn Ymddiriedolwr (Bill McMillan) ynglŷn ag ad-dalu rhan o'r grant fawr ddiwethaf a dalwyd gan y Cyngor Tref i Dan''s Den.

Penderfynwyd derbyn y rhan ad-daliad o £800 o'r grant mawr diwethaf a dalwyd (2013/14)

iv Grantiau Digwyddiadau 2016/17:

Gofynnodd y Cynghorydd P. Richards i'r Pwyllgor ystyried newid yr amserlen i ofyn am / ac ystyried ceisiadau am 'Grantiau Digwyddiadau' fel y gallent gyd-fynd â'r ystyriaeth am geisiadau grantiau mawr (h.y. ceisiadau am grantiau i ddigwyddiadau o Ebrill y flwyddyn ganlynol i fod i mewn erbyn 31^{ain} Rhagfyr). Bydd hyn yn rhoi mwy o amser i ymgeiswyr rhwng cael y grant fel y gallent sicrhau artistiaid / perfformwyr ar gyfer y digwyddiadau.

Penderfynwyd argymell bod y Cyngor yn newid y drefn yma i'r amserlen ar gyfer flwyddyn ariannol 2017/18 a gwahodd ceisiadau ar gyfer flwyddyn ariannol 2016/17 mor fuan ag sy'n bosibl.

Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 8.10 p.m.

.....Cadeirydd

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, RHIW ROAD, COLWYN BAY AT 6.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2016

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs S Roy (Town Mayor)
Cllr D Griffiths (Chairman)
Cllrs: J Davies, A Mason, Mrs H Meredith, Mrs V Perry, P Richards, MrsV Smith, S Taylor, G Ward

OFFICER: Mrs T Earley, Town Clerk

337/15 Welcome & Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: A Khan and T Pearson.

338/15 Declarations of Interest:

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

***339/15* Minutes:**

Resolved to receive, approve and sign as a correct record:

a. The Minutes of the meeting, held on 6th January 2016.
b. The Minutes of a Special meeting held on 25th January 2016.
c. The Minutes of a Special Meeting held on 10th February 2016.

340/15 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

a. Min. 279/15(d) – Consultation on the proposals for National Well-being Indicators: It was noted that a copy of the response from WCVA is available on request from the Clerk.

b. Min. 280/15(a) – Election Turnout: The Clerk submitted information from CCBC on turnout at the two recent by-elections (Rhos and Eirias wards) compared to the two previous ones where poll cards were not issued, together with an explanation for the drop in registered electors.

It was noted that the percentage of postal votes of the total votes was much higher when poll cards were not issued (87% and 76% compared to 54% and 47% with poll cards) and that the overall % turnout was also significantly higher when poll cards are issued.

c. Min. 329/15 – Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill: It was noted that copies of the response by the Town Council, the Society of Local Clerks and One Voice Wales are available on request from the Clerk.

341/15 Finance:

a. ***Resolved to authorise payments made on behalf of the Council for the period 1/1/16 to 10/2/16, as detailed in Schedule 'A' attached.***

b. ***Resolved to receive and sign a copy of the latest bank reconciliations.***

c. The Clerk submitted, in accordance with the recently adopted Financial Regulations, a list of regular payments for prior authorisation.

Resolved to authorise the regular payments, as detailed in Schedule 'B' attached.

342/15 <u>Conwy CBC:</u>

a. The Clerk submitted, for information, the minutes of the Clerks' Network and Forum meetings held on 13th January 2016. A brief verbal report was given by the Clerk to highlight the key points from each meeting. Concern was expressed about the decision by CCBC to cease the summer play scheme provision in 2015, which had previously been partly funded by Town and Community Councils, without any prior notice or discussion. Members agreed that it would be difficult for a voluntary group to take over management of the play schemes, due to the experience needed to recruit and train volunteer play workers and the cost of insurance.

Resolved to ask Members to enquire if similar provision is continuing in other counties in North Wales (through the N&MWALC) and to ask for further discussion about this in Conwy.

Further resolved to request that the proposed reduction in household waste collections and the new car parking strategy, with charges proposed for a previously free car park and the waterfront, are added to the agenda for the next CCBC/T&CC Forum meeting.

b. It was noted that the Clerk had been unable to attend the Bay Life meeting on 8th February, but that an update had been requested.

c. **Theatr Colwyn Joint Management Committee:** Cllrs D Griffiths and S Taylor gave a verbal report following a meeting of the Theatr Colwyn Joint Management Committee, held on 8th February. It was noted that the annual Pantomime had been very popular, with 216 more people attending than in the previous year and one less performance. Tickets are now being sold for next year. A discussion took place around how interaction with the cast could be improved after the 'civic night' performance. Attendance throughout the year was also improving, with approximately 35,000 per annum total attendance and some performances (including films) selling out. The vast majority of those attending are still local, but 6.8% of attendees last year came from England. A financial report was not available, but Cllr Griffiths confirmed that continued funding support from both this Council and CCBC was still required and helps to provide a great community facility.

Resolved to thank Cllrs Griffiths and Taylor for their reports and request an up

to date financial summary.

d. CCTV Annual Report 2014-15: The Clerk submitted a copy of the annual report and summary presentation slides. It was noted that the control room will be moving to the new office accommodation in 2017/18 and that during the next two years, additional funding will need to be sourced to upgrade the cameras to High Definition.

Resolved to receive and note the report.

e. Car Parking Strategy: The Clerk submitted, for information, a CCBC report outlining proposals for the introduction of charging in several areas (both on-street and car parks) across the County. It was noted that the report recommends the introduction of charges at Colwyn Bay promenade and Berthes Road car park in Old Colwyn. The recommendations will be considered by CCBC Cabinet next week, but there will be full consultation prior to implementation of any changes. Members queried the extent of the promenade to be covered by the charges and whether Berthes Road car park was owned by CCBC. Concern was also expressed about displacement car parking, especially in residential areas close to the promenade. However, it was also recognised that car parking income could help with maintenance costs of the new beach and promenade area.

Resolved to receive and note the report and await further consultation in due course.

343/15 <u>Welsh Government</u>:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration, the following correspondence:

a. A letter of introduction from the new Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

Resolved to receive and note the correspondence.

344/15 <u>One Voice Wales:</u>

a. The Clerk submitted notice of the Larger Councils Committee meeting, held earlier today. Cllr S Roy had attended the meeting and gave a brief verbal report, highlighting the need expressed at the meeting for town and community councils across Wales to show a greater willingness to consider alternative delivery models for some services, if we do not want service delivery to pass directly to unelected third sector bodies. Concerns about possible double taxation were also discussed. There had also been a discussion about how to make the larger councils committee more accessible to member councils and options discussed included regional sub-committees and video conferences. The Bay of Colwyn Town Council had been praised on its Student Advisor scheme, which encouraged a greater voice in decision making by younger people in the area.

b. The Clerk submitted a copy of a letter confirming Welsh Government support for One Voice Wales for a further three year period. A review of One Voice Wales had recently been carried out by the WG and this had concluded:
"Given the challenges facing the sector, the nature of the sector and the difficulties which this presents in dealing with it, the expertise which OVW has developed in relation to the sector, the value for money which it represents, and the scope to build and improve on the existing strengths which exist, continued funding for One Voice Wales is recommended".

Some concerns were expressed by members about the purpose of One Voice Wales and whether or not a representation body was required for our sector, with members suggesting that our elected Assembly Member should be the conduit for representation and stating concerns about an unelected body standing between our individual viewpoint and the Welsh Government Ministers and Officials. General concerns were also expressed about the roles of any unelected officials, such as Commissioners, and it was queried whether these were really necessary.

The Chairman summed up the view of the Committee that town and community councils are expected to grow and gain influence in the coming five or so years (due to Local Government reform) and we will not need a sector body, such as One Voice Wales, by then, and should instead be able to retain power and influence in the hands of elected members.

c. The Clerk submitted a letter inviting membership of One Voice Wales for 2016/17, at a cost of £3,646 (based on 12,841 chargeable dwellings at 28.4 pence per dwelling. Following concerns about the cost of membership, raised at previous meetings, the Clerk submitted written information and gave a verbal report outlining which of the services currently provided by OVW could be sourced from alternative providers.

Resolved to recommend that:

i. ***The Council declines to re-join OVW for 2016-17 and instead procures legal advice on an ad-hoc basis from CCBC's legal department (using other providers where there is any conflict in interest).***

ii. ***Our representatives on the N&MWALC request that the services of Avensure (HR/Employment Law and Health and Safety) are considered as a possible membership benefit of that organisation (group discounts in fees may be possible with additional buying power).***

iii. ***The Clerk enquires if CCBC could provide HR/Employment Law and H&S consultancy services and, if so, what the cost of these would be.***

345/15 <u>Local Members Ward Allowances:</u>

The Clerk reminded members that a number of them needed to submit project proposals prior to the next meeting (30th March) if they were not to lose any of their current allowance, as only one year's unspent allowance can be carried forward.

Resolved to request that the Clerk circulates the up to date spreadsheet, detailing the amount of allowances remaining, and a project proposal form by e-mail to all members.

346/15 <u>Overtime Payments in Lieu of Leave:</u>

The Clerk gave a verbal report requesting authorisation of payment of overtime for the Assistant Clerk, in lieu of untaken leave (37.75 hours) during the current year which cannot be carried forward.

Resolved to authorise payment of overtime, as detailed above, in lieu of untaken annual leave.

347/15 <u>Grants:</u>

a. The Clerk gave a brief verbal update on Youth grant applications, confirming that six applications, totalling approximately £8,000 had received by the deadline (15th Feb). Due to this being within the available budget, members agreed that it would be a waste of time and resources to determine these using participatory budgeting.

Resolved to recommend that the applications be referred to the Amenities Sub-Committee to determine if any additional information is required and that a recommendation be brought back to the next meeting of this Committee.

b. It was noted that reports and/or letters of thanks have been received from the following ward allowance and grant recipients:

i. Tan Lan Community Association
ii. N W Deaf Association
iii. Hafan Cymru
iv. Upper Colwyn Bay Community Centre
v. Benefits Advice Shop
vi. Home Start Conwy
vii. Carers Outreach
viii. Tenovus Cancer Care

c. The following additional items of correspondence in respect of grants were tabled with permission from the Chairman:

i. **World War II Commemorative Benches:**

The Clerk tabled a request from the local branch of the British Legion for £375 to purchase two WWII commemorative benches for Queens Gardens, to match the two WWI benches purchased last year. It was noted that the branch would be contributing the remaining £1,500 and that CCBC Parks had agreed to install the benches. Cllr V Perry offered to donate her ward allowance of £300 towards this, with the remaining £75 to come either from another Rhiw ward member's allowance or from the small grants budget.

Resolved to approve the purchase from Cllr V Perry's ward allowance and another Rhiw ward member (to be confirmed) and otherwise to recommend that the shortfall of £75 comes from the small grants budget for 2015/16.

ii. The Queen's 90th Birthday:

The Clerk tabled an enquiry from County Councillor D Milne, enquiring if the Town Council would be making any funding available for street parties to mark the Queen's birthday. It was noted that the small grants budget could be used to fund small scale local events, providing there was an appropriate voluntary organisation willing to submit the application.

It was suggested that some of the funds remaining in the Youth grants budget could be used to provide grants of up to £250 to each local Primary school, if they wished to organise activities/events for the pupils to mark the Queen's birthday.

Resolved to recommend that:

1. ***Any unspent budget from the Youth Grants is used to provide funding to support any local primary schools looking to organise events or activities to mark the Queen's 90th Birthday.***
2. ***A letter is sent to each local Primary school (including Rydal Penrhos) offering up to £250 for each school, subject to written acceptance and details of planned activities/events.***
3. ***The Colwyn in Bloom Committee considers using the Queen's birthday as a possible subject for the Children and/or Adult art competitions for 2016.***

iii. **Dan's Den Project:**

The Clerk tabled an e-mail from the Treasurer and former Trustee (Bill McMillan), with regards to refunding part of the last large grant paid by the Town Council to Dan's Den.

Resolved to accept a partial refund of £800 of the last large grant issued (2013/14).

iv. Events Grants 2016/17:

Councillor P Richards asked the Committee to consider changing the timescale for requesting and considering 'Event grant' applications to coincide with consideration of large grant applications (i.e. applications by 31st December for grants for events from April the following year), to give applicants more time from being awarded funding to enable them to secure act/entertainment for events.

Resolved to recommend to Council that this change in timescale be approved for the 2017/18 financial year and that applications for the 2016/17 financial year are invited as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

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