

**COFNODION O GYFARFOD PWYLLGOR POLISI A CHYLLID, CYNGOR TREF
BAE COLWYN, A GYNHALIWDYD NOS FERCHER, 1^{AF} GORFFENNAF 2015 AM
6.30 P.M. YN YR YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR, NEUADD Y DREF, FFORDD RHIW,
BAE COLWYN**

YN BRESENNOL: Maer y Dref, Cyngorydd Dr S. Roy,
Cyngorydd J. Reaney (Cadeirydd)
Cyngorwyr: J. Davies, D. Griffiths, A. Khan, Mrs H. Meredith, P.
Richards, S. Taylor, G. Ward.

SWYDDOG: Mrs C. Earley (Clerc y Dref)

70/15 Croeso ag Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb:

Croesawyd yr Aelodau i'r cyfarfod gan y Cadeirydd a chyflwynwyd ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb oddi wrth y Cyngorwyr Mrs V. Perry a Mrs V. Smith.

71/15 Datgan Cysylltiadau:

Atgoffwyd yr aelodau o'r angen iddynt ddatgan unrhyw gysylltiadau personol a / neu gysylltiadau sy'n rhagfarnu, a natur y fath gysylltiadau. Datganwyd y cysylltiadau canlynol:

- Cyngorydd S. Roy: Eitem 11 - Lwfans y Maer (fel Maer y Dref) - cysylltiad all ragfarnu
- Cyngorydd S. Taylor: Eitem 12(a) – Lwfans Ward – Cyfraniad i Gyfeillion Parc Rhos – dim yn rhagfarnu (eithriad am ei fod yn llai na £500)

72/15 Cofnodion:

- a. *Penderfynwyd cymeradwyo a llofnodi cywirdeb Cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf a gynhaliwyd ar 20^{fed} Mai 2015.*
- b. *Penderfynwyd derbyn Cofnodion Drafft cyfarfod yr Is-Bwyllgor Amwynderau a gynhaliwyd ar 2^{il} Mehefin 2015.*

73/15 Materion yn Codi o Gyfarfodydd Blaenorol:

a. Cofnod 416/14 – Trosglwyddo Neuadd y Dref:

Rhoddodd y Clerc adroddiad byr ar lafar am y sefyllfa ddiweddaraf gan ddweud wrth yr Aelodau y bu cyfarfod gyda chynrychiolwyr o Heddlu Gogledd Cymru, CVSC a Chyswllt Conwy i drafod y costau o rannu'r holl safle wrth symud ymlaen. Am fod hyn yn eitha' cymhleth (bydd yn rhaid dyrannu'r costau rhwng yr holl ddefnyddwyr), mae matrices yn cael ei ddarparu i sicrhau bod y sefyllfa'n eglur i bob defnyddiwr. Mynegwyd peth pryder yn y cyfarfod am y costau o drwsio'r adeilad ac nad oedd CVSC yn ymwybodol bod y costau hyn yn rhan o'r brydles oedd yn ymwneud ag ad-dalu. Rhaid i hyn cael ei drafod gydag Ymddiriedolwyr CVSC cyn i'r brydles gael ei lofnodi ac ni fydd y rhyddfrait yn cael ei drosglwyddo i'r Cyngor Tref hyd nes bydd y pryddlesau wedi cael eu llofnodi a bod y tenantiaid yn dod yn ddeiliaid.

Fe nodwyd bod y Clerc am gynnal cyfarfod o'r Is-Bwyllgor Adeiladau yn fuan er mwyn ystyried y trefniadau arfaethedig o gyd-rannu'r costau a'r diweddariad am faterion eraill yn ymwneud a thrwsio a chynnal a chadw.

b. Cofnod 420/14 – Adroddiad Panel Annibynnol Cymru ar Gydnabyddiaeth Ariannol:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc ymateb gan Arweinydd Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Conwy (CBSC) yn cadarnhau bod lwfansau Cynghorwyr Sir yn cael eu pennu gan y Panel Annibynnol ar Gydnabyddiaeth Ariannol ac mae gan yr aelodau unigol y dewis os ydynt am hawlio swm llai.

Penderfynwyd derbyn yr ymateb a'i nodi.

c. Cofnod 44/15 – Cefnogi Digwyddiadau:

Gofynnwyd i'r Aelodau ystyried argymhelliad yr Is-Bwyllgor.

Penderfynwyd cytuno bod angen gwneud mwy o waith ar baratoi swydd ddisgrifiadau a manylebau person ar gyfer y ddwy elfen o'r swydd arfaethedig (Cydllynydd Digwyddiadau a Swyddog Datblygu Cymunedau (ABCD)) ac i geisio cyngor ar y lefel o gyllid bydd ei angen, ynghyd a manylion am ffynhonnau cyllid posibl a bod y mater yn dod yn ôl i'r Pwyllgor hwn yn y man.

ch Cofnod 45/15 – Myfyrwyr Ymgynghorol:

Penderfynwyd rhoi awdurdod i'r Clerc a'r Cynghorydd J. Reaney trafod y datblygiad pellach o swyddi Myfyrwyr Ymgynghorol gydag Ysgolion Eirias a Bryn Elian a cheisio darganfod a fyddai unrhyw ddiddordeb / budd i drefnu digwyddiad ymryson rhwng ysgolion.

74/14 Cyllid:

- a. *Penderfynwyd rhoi awdurdod am y taliadau a wnaed ar ran y Cyngor am y cyfnod 16/5/15 i 19/6/15 fel y maent yn ymddangos yn Atodlen 'A' sydd gyda hwn.*
- b. *Penderfynwyd derbyn a llofnodi datganiadau cysoni diweddaraf y banc (31 Mai 2015).*
- c. *Penderfynwyd derbyn y dadansoddiad o'r arian wrth gefn fel yr oedd ar 31^{ain} Mawrth 2015 a rhoi awdurdod i ddod a'r tanwariant o gyllideb dodrefn stryd (£6,900) ymlaen er mwyn i brosiectau parhau yn 2015/16.*

75/15 Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Conwy (CBSC):

- a. Fe nodwyd na fu'n bosibl i'r Clerc fynychu cyfarfod Bwrdd Rheoli Strategol Byw yn y Bae a gynhaliwyd ar 29^{ain} Mehefin ond fe fu'r Cynghorydd W. Bagnall yn bresennol ac mi fydd yn cyflwyno adroddiad i gyfarfod nesaf y Pwyllgor Amcanion Cyffredinol a Chynllunio.
- b. Cyflwynodd y Clerc nodiadau o gyfarfod gyda Judi Greenwood (Swyddog Prosiect Menter Treftadaeth Treflun) i'w ystyried. Ceisiwyd sylwadau'r aelodau

at baragraff olaf yr adroddiad oedd yn gofyn am gefnogaeth i sefydlu ymddiriedolaeth datblygiad cymunedol dan arweiniad Cymdeithas Ymddiriedolaeth Datblygu Cymru. Un o'r prif resymau am hyn byddai galluogi'r gymuned leol i edrych am ddulliau i barhau gyda phrosiectau adnewyddu materol yn y dref unwaith bydd mentrau VVP a THI yn dod i ben.

Penderfynwyd argymhell bod y Cyngor yn cefnogi, mewn egwyddor, creu Ymddiriedolaeth Datblygu Cymunedol.

76/15 Llywodraeth Cymru (Ll.C.):

Cyflwynodd y Clerc y dogfennau canlynol gan Ll.C. i'w ystyried:

a. Diogelu Asedau Cymunedol - dogfen ymgynghori:

Roedd yr Aelodau yn gefnogol i'r angen am ddeddfwriaeth i ddiogelu asedau oherwydd eu gwerth i'r gymuned leol ac yna ystyriwyd y cwestiynau ymgynghori yn yr adroddiad. Am fod rhai aelodau angen mwy o amser i ystyried y tri model arfaethedig a materion yn ymwneud ag adnoddau, fe benderfynwyd gohirio cytuno ar ymateb.

Penderfynwyd gohirio cwblhau'r ffurflen yn gofyn am ymateb i'r ymgynghoriad tan y cyfarfod nesaf (12^{fed} Awst) er mwyn i aelodau cael mwy o amser i ystyried y tri dewis a gynigiwyd a'r materion yn ymwneud ag adnoddau (penodau 3 a 4).

b. Mesur Iechyd Cyhoeddus (Cymru):

Fe nodwyd bod y ddogfen ymgynghori 311 tudalen ar gael i'w weld ar wefan Ll.C. a bydd rhan o'r ddeddfwriaeth yn cynnwys dyletswydd i Awdurdodau Lleol i ddatblygu Strategaeth ar gyfer darparu Toiledau Cyhoeddus.

c. Deddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol (Cymru) 2015:

i Cyflwynodd y Clerc dogfen oedd yn crynhoi manylion 'Yr hyn sy'n Angenrheidiol' yn y Ddeddf. Cynghorwyd yr Aelodau bod yr holl Ddeddf yn berthnasol i ystod eang o gyffwrdd cyhoeddus, ond nid Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned (C.T.Ch.). Fodd bynnag bydd gan C.T.Ch. mwy (gydag incwm neu wariant o dros £200,000 y flwyddyn) dyletswydd i gymryd yr holl gamau rhesymol yn ei ardal i gyfarfod ag amcanion lleol a gynhwysir yn y cynllun llesiant lleol sy'n effeithiol yn ei ardal ac mi fydd yn angenrheidiol i gyhoeddi adroddiad ym mhob blwyddyn ariannol am y cynnydd a waned i gyfarfod a'r amcanion hyn.

ii. Datblygu Canllawiau Statudol - Dogfen Trafod:

Fe nodwyd bod gweithdai ymgynghori wedi cael eu cynnal ledled Cymru a disgwylir i ganllawiau cael eu cyhoeddi yn ddiweddarach yn yr haf i'r holl gyffwrdd cyhoeddus sy'n destun i'r Ddeddf (i gynnwys canllawiau ar ddyletswyddau Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned).

iii. Y Modd:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc crynodeb o'r gwasanaethau cefnogi oedd ar gael gan Y Modd, 'Ymarfer Cynghori ar ddatblygu Lleoedd' a leolir yng Nghymru, sy'n gweithio gyda chleientiaid i wella'r wybodaeth am bryderon lleol, ymwneud a

chymunedau lleol (trigolion a busnesau) am yr hyn a welir ganddynt hwy sy'n bwysig i'w hardal hwy a helpu i ddynodi'r adnoddau i ymdrin â blaenoriaethau a gytunwyd. Fe nodwyd bod eu model "Yr Holl Le" yn cymryd ystyriaeth lawn o Ddeddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol ac fe all hyn fod o help i Gynghorau Tref a Chymuned i ddangos eu cyfraniad wrth ymdrin â'r nodau llesiant hyn, "ail-gyfnherthu gyda chymunedau lleol, y swyddogaeth werthfawr, unigryw o gydlynu gall Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned chwarae i wneud pethau'n well".

Penderfynwyd gwahodd Y Modd i roi cyflwyniad gerbron y Cyngor ar ei gwasanaethau ac amcangyfrif o'r costau sy'n ynghlwm a hyn.

77/15 Un Llais Cymru (U.L.I.C.) / Cymdeithas Clercod Cynghorau Lleol (C.C.C.LI.):

- a. Cyflwynodd y Clerc gwybodaeth a dderbyniwyd gan Un Llais Cymru am y gwasanaethau sydd ar gael trwy Resource Efficient Wales.

Penderfynwyd holi a fyddai unrhyw gost pe bae'r Rheolwr Cleientiaid Rhanbarthol yn ymweld â Neuadd y Dref i asesu effeithlonrwydd dŵr ac ynni.

- b. Cyflwynodd y Clerc nodiadau o'r Seminar Hyffordd a gynhaliwyd yn ddiweddar gan C.C.C.LI. / U.L.I.C. er gwybodaeth. Cyfeiriwyd yn arbennig at y cyflwyniad a roddwyd gan Rob Andrew o Gyngor Sir Cernyw parthed datganoli gwasanaethau.

Penderfynwyd derbyn yr adroddiad a'i nodi

- c. Cyflwynodd y Clerc copi o Strategaeth Hyfforddi NTAG Cymru, yn cadarnhau pwysigrwydd cyllidebau hyfforddi i aelodau a staff ac yn cynnig bod pob Cynghorydd newydd yn derbyn o leiaf rhyw faint o hyfforddiant cychwynnol.

78/15 Cynhadledd ar Newid Hinsawdd:

Rhoddodd y Cynghorydd P. Richards adroddiad byr ar lafar am y gynhadledd ddiweddar. Hysbysodd yr aelodau bod newid hinsawdd yn seiliedig ar wyddoniaeth a bod newidiadau yn digwydd. Mae trafodaethau am ynni adnewyddadwy a'r posibilrwydd o gael morglawdd llanw rhwng Llandudno a Phrestatyn yn parhau. Llongyfarchwyd y Cynghorydd S. Anderson am ei ymdrechion i ddod a gwyddonwyr a gwleidyddion at ei gilydd i drafod y materion.

Diolchwyd i'r Cynghorydd Richards am fod yn bresennol ac am gyflwyno ei adroddiad.

79/15 Trydan Neuadd y Dref:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc ffeil cyfrinachol i'w ystyried, oedd yn cynnwys amcan brisiau am waith trydanol i Neuadd y Dref.

Fe nodwyd bod gwahaniaeth sylweddol rhwng yr amcan brisiau rhatach (B) a'r ddrytaf (D). Cadarnhaodd y Clerc bod contractwyr A, B ag C ar restr o gontractwyr cymeradwy Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Conwy. Mynegwyd pryder am y math o wresogydd dŵr a awgrymwyd yn y rhestr gwaith i'r gegin, ac nad oedd yn cael ei

ystyried i fod yn addas i'w ddefnyddio uwchben sinc oherwydd y tymheredd uchel (yn addas ar gyfer diodydd poeth yn unig).

Penderfynwyd derbyn amcan bris B mewn egwyddor, yn amodol ar dderbyn cadarnhad bod hyn yn ymdrin â'r holl waith angenrheidiol a bod gwresogydd dŵr mwy addas yn cael ei gyflenwi (efallai o dan y sinc). Fe benderfynwyd ymhellach i roi awdurdod dirprwyol i'r Clerc derbyn unrhyw newidiadau ym mhris y cytundeb o ganlyniad i hyn, yn amodol ei fod yn parhau i fod yn rhatach nag Amcan Bris C.

80/15 Digwyddiadau'r Maer:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc cais gan y Maer i awdurdodi ad-daliad o'i chostau teithio iddi gael siarad yn y Gynhadledd ar Fioamrywiaeth yng Nghasnewydd ar 26^{ain} Awst 2015. Fe nodwyd bod y Maer wedi dewis peidio â chymryd y lwfans gwisg o £200 (trehadwy) ac roedd yn gobeithio y byddai'r Cyngor yn hytrach, yn awdurdodi costau teithio i siarad mewn digwyddiadau o'r fath yma.

- Gan fod y Cynghorydd S. Roy wedi datgan cysylltiad personol ag un a all ragfarnu, gadawodd y cyfarfod tra bo'r cais hwn yn cael ei ystyried.

Er i'r aelodau datgan eu cefnogaeth lwyr i swyddogaeth y Maer yn hybu bioamrywiaeth a chyfartaledd ar draws Cymru, maent yn ystyried bod hwn yn swyddogaeth wahanol i'w swydd fel Maer y Dref. Mynegwyd pryder y byddai caniatáu unrhyw ran o lwfans y Maer i gael ei ddefnyddio i ad-dalu costau am ddyletswyddau nad ydynt yn uniongyrchol yn berthnasol i'w swydd o fod yn Faer y Dref yn groes i ganllawiau HMRC ac fe allai creu cynsail peryglus. Fe nodwyd ymhellach y disgwyliad i drefnwyr cynadleddau fel arfer talu costau siaradwyr.

Penderfynwyd gwrthod cais y Maer am y rhesymau a nodir uchod.

81/15 Lwfansau Wardiau Aelodau Lleol:

Cyflwynodd y Clerc cynigion am brosiectau fel a ganlyn i gael eu hystyried oddi wrth:

- a. Cynghorydd D. Porter - £100 – Cyfeillion Parc Rhos – Cyllido hadu
- b. Cynghorydd C. Wood - £65 - ad-daliad am Cuprinol i Rotari i gynnal a chadw meinciau ar y Promenâd yn Rhos..

Penderfynwyd cymeradwyo'r ddau gais.

82/15 Grantiau:

- a. Cyflwynodd y Clerc cais am un grant bach a dderbyniwyd yn ystod y chwarter hwn i gael ei ystyried fel y mae'n ymddangos yn Atodlen 'B' sydd gyda hwn.

Mynegwyd pryder bod y cais a dderbyniwyd, er iddo gael ei gyflwyno gan Grŵp Cleifion, yn gais am offer meddygol mewn meddygfa Meddygon Teulu, ac fe ddylai, os mae ei amgen, cael ei dalu gan naill ai'r busnes neu'r GIG.

Penderfynwyd argymhell bod y cais yn cael ei wrthod am y rhesymau uchod.

- b.** Fe nodwyd bod llythyrau o ddiolch wedi cael eu derbyn oddi wrth y canlynol a dderbyniodd grantiau am Ddigwyddiadau:
- i** Côr Meibion Colwyn
 - ii** Clwb Bowlio Parc Rhos

Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 7.53 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 1ST JULY 2015

PRESENT: The Mayor, Cllr Dr S Roy
Cllr J Reaney (Chairman)
Cllrs: J Davies, D Griffiths, A Khan, Mrs H Meredith, P Richards,
S Taylor, G Ward

OFFICER: Mrs C Earley (Town Clerk)

70/15 Welcome & Apologies for Absence:

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: Mrs V Perry and Mrs V Smith.

71/15 Declarations of Interest:

Members were reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of any personal and/or prejudicial interests. The following interests were declared:

- Cllr S Roy: Item 11 – Mayor’s Allowance (as Town Mayor) – prejudicial interest
- Cllr S Taylor: Item 12(a) – Ward Allowance donation to Friends of Rhos Park – non-prejudicial (exemption as less than £500)

72/15 Minutes:

- a. *Resolved to approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the last meeting, held on 20th May 2015.*
- b. *Resolved to receive the Draft Minutes of the Amenities Sub-Committee meeting, held on 2nd June 2015.*

73/15 Matters Arising from Previous Meetings:

a. Min 416/14 – Transfer of Town Hall:

The Clerk gave a brief verbal update, informing members that a meeting had been held with representatives from N W Police, CVSC and Conwy Connect to discuss cost sharing for the whole site going forward. As this is quite complex (some costs will need to be apportioned across all occupiers and some relate only to specific parts of the site), a matrix is being developed to ensure clarity for all occupiers. Some concern was expressed at the meeting about building repair costs, which CVSC had not been aware were included in the recharge section of their lease. This will need to be discussed with the Trustees of CVSC before their lease is signed and the freehold will not transfer to the Town Council until the leases are signed and the tenants take up occupancy.

It was noted that the Clerk will be convening a meeting of the Buildings Sub-Committee shortly to consider the proposed cost-sharing arrangements and

updates on other repair and maintenance issues.

b. Min. 420/14 – Independent Remuneration Panel Report:

The Clerk submitted a response from the Leader, CCBC, confirming that allowances for County Councillors are set by the Independent Remuneration Panel and it is up to individual members if they wish to claim a lesser amount.

Resolved to receive and note the response.

c. Min. 44/15 – Support for Events:

Members were asked to consider the recommendation of the sub-committee.

Resolved to agree that further work should be undertaken on drawing up job descriptions and person specifications for both elements of the proposed role (Events Co-Ordinator and Community Development (ABCD) Worker) and seeking advice on the level of funding that would need to be found, together with details of possible funding sources, and that this matter then be brought back to this Committee.

d. Min. 45/15 – Student Advisors:

Resolved to authorise the Clerk and Cllr J Reaney to speak with Eirias and Bryn Eliau schools about developing the Student Advisor role and find out whether there would be any interest/benefit in organising an inter-school debating event.

74/15 Finance:

- a. *Resolved to authorise payments made on behalf of the Council for the period 16/5/15 to 19/6/15, as detailed in Schedule 'A' attached.*
- b. *Resolved to receive and sign a copy of the latest bank reconciliations (31 May 2015).*
- c. *Resolved to receive the analysis of reserves as at 31st March 2015 and authorise the carry forward of the underspent street furniture budget (£6,900), to enable projects to continue in 2015/16.*

75/15 Conwy CBC:

- a. It was noted that the Clerk had been unable to attend the Bay Life Strategic Management Board meeting, held on 29th June, but that Cllr W Bagnall had attended and would be submitting a report to the next meeting of the General Purpose & Planning Committee.
- b. The Clerk submitted, for consideration, notes from a meeting with Judi Greenwood (Townscape Heritage Initiative Project Officer). Members' views

were sought on the final paragraph in the report, which was seeking support for the setting up of a community development trust under the guidance of the Development Trusts Association Wales. One of the main reasons for this would be to enable the local community to look for ways to continue with physical regeneration projects in the town once the VVP and THI initiatives come to an end.

Resolved to recommend that the Council supports, in principle, the formation of a Community Development Trust.

76/15 Welsh Government:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration, the following WG documents:

a. Protecting Community Assets – consultation document:

Members supported the need for legislation to protect assets which are considered to be of value to a local community and began to consider the consultation questions in the report. As some members needed more time to consider the three proposed models and issues relating to resources, it was proposed that agreeing the response be deferred.

Resolved to defer completion of the consultation response form to the next meeting (12th August) to allow members more time to consider the three options proposed and the resources issues (chapters 3 and 4).

b. Public Health (Wales) Bill:

It was noted that the 311 page consultation document is available to view on the WG website and that part of the legislation will include a duty for Local Authorities to develop a Strategy for the provision of Public Conveniences.

c. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015:

i. The Clerk submitted a summary document detailing ‘The Essentials’ of the Act: Members were advised that the entire Act applies to a range of public bodies, but this does not include Town & Community Councils. However, larger T&CCs (with income or expenditure over £200,000 per annum) will be subject to a duty to take all reasonable steps in its area towards meeting the local objectives included in the local well-being plan that has effect in its area and must publish a report each financial year on the progress it has made in meeting these objectives.

ii. Developing Statutory Guidance – Discussion document:

It was noted that consultation workshops have been held across Wales and that guidance is expected to be issued later this summer to all public bodies subject to the Act (to include guidance on the role of Town & Community Councils).

iii. The Means:

The Clerk submitted a summary of support services available from The Means, a Welsh based ‘Place Development Advisory Practice’ which works

with clients to help improve intelligence about local concerns, engaging with local communities (residents and businesses) about what they see as important for their area and helping to identify the resources to tackle agreed priorities. It was noted that their “Whole Place” model takes full account of the Well Being of Future Generations Act and can help town and community councils demonstrate their contribution to addressing the well-being goals, “reinforcing with local communities the valuable, unique co-ordinating role the town or community council can play in making things better”.

Resolved to invite The Means to give a presentation to the Council on its services and an estimate of the costs involved.

77/15 One Voice Wales / SLCC:

- a. The Clerk submitted information received from One Voice Wales about services available through Resource Efficient Wales.

Resolved to enquire whether there would be any cost for the Regional Client Manager to visit the Town Hall to assess water and energy efficiency.

- b. The Clerk submitted, for information, notes from the recent SLCC/OVW Training Seminar. A particular reference was made to the presentation given by Rob Andrew of Cornwall County Council regarding the devolution of services.

Resolved to receive and note the report.

- c. The Clerk submitted a copy of the NTAG Wales Training Strategy, confirming the importance of training budgets for members and staff and proposing that all new councillors receive a minimum level of induction training.

78/15 Climate Change Conference:

Cllr P Richards gave a brief verbal report on the recent conference. He advised members that climate change is scientifically based and that changes are happening. Discussions are ongoing about renewable energy and the possibility of a tidal barrage in the area between Llandudno and Prestatyn. Cllr S Anderson was commended for his efforts in bringing together scientists and politicians to discuss the issues.

Cllr Richards was thanked for attending and giving his report.

79/15 Town Hall Electrics:

The Clerk tabled, for consideration, a confidential file containing quotations for electrical work at the Town Hall.

It was noted that there was a significant difference between the cheapest (B) and dearest (D) quotations and the Clerk confirmed that contractors A, B and C had been taken from CCBC’s list of approved contractors. Concern was also expressed regarding the type of water heater proposed in the specification of works for the

kitchen, which is not considered to be suitable for use over a sink due to the high temperature (suitable only for making hot drinks).

Resolved to accept quotation B in principle, subject to confirmation that this covers all of the required works and that a more suitable kitchen water heater is supplied (possibly an under-the-sink solution). Further resolved to delegate authority to the Clerk to accept any resulting changes in the price of the contract, subject to it still being less than Quote C.

80/15 Mayor's Engagement:

The Clerk submitted a request from the Mayor to authorise reimbursement of travel expenses for her to speak at a Diversity Conference in Newport on 26th August 2015. It was noted that the Mayor had opted not to take the offered clothing allowance of £200 (taxable) and hoped that the Council would authorise travel expenses for speaking at events such as this instead.

- Cllr S Roy, having declared a personal and prejudicial interest, retired from the meeting during consideration of this request.

Although members stated that they are very supportive of Cllr Roy's role in promoting diversity and equality across Wales, they consider this to be separate from her role as Town Mayor. Concern was expressed that allowing any part of the Mayor's allowance to be used to reimburse expenses for duties not directly relating to the role of the Town Mayor does not meet the HMRC guidelines and may set a dangerous precedent. It was further noted that the organisers of conferences would usually be expected to meet the costs of speakers.

Resolved to decline the Mayor's request, for the above noted reasons.

81/15 Local Members Ward Allocations:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration, project proposals from:

- a. Cllr D Porter - £100 for Friends of Rhos Parks – seed funding
- b. Cllr C Wood - £60 reimbursement for Cuprinol for Rotary to maintain benches on Rhos Promenade

Resolved to approve both requests.

82/15 Grants:

- a. The Clerk submitted, for consideration, one small grant application received this quarter, as detailed on Schedule 'B' attached.

Concern was expressed that the application received, although submitted by a Patient Group, was for medical equipment for a GP surgery which, if required, should be paid for by the either the business or the NHS.

Resolved to recommend that the application be refused, due to the reasons

stated above.

- b.** It was noted that letters of thanks have been received from the following Events grant recipients:
 - i.** Côt Meibion Colwyn
 - ii.** Rhos Park Bowling Club

The meeting closed at 7.53 p.m.

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