

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD AT 6.30PM ON TUESDAY 30TH JANUARY 2018, IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, RHIW ROAD, COLWYN BAY

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

OFFICER: Mrs C Earley, Town Clerk

313/17 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman, Cllr N Bastow, and the Vice-Chairman, Cllr G Baker, took the Chair.

314/17 Declarations of Interest:

Members were reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of any personal and/or prejudicial interests. The Chairman, Cllr G Baker, declared a personal and prejudicial interest in one of the planning applications (0/44729).

315/17 Visitor to the Committee:

It was noted that Gethin George, CCBC, was due to be attending to provide more information about the recent bus service consultation, but has requested his visit be deferred to the next meeting (20th February).

316/17 Minutes:

Resolved to approve and sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting, held on 9th January 2018.

317/17 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

a. Min.237/17 – Princess Diana Garden:

The Clerk submitted, for information, a copy of the Rotary works schedule and risk assessment and gave a brief verbal update confirming that the signing of the Service Level Agreement had taken place earlier this week.

Resolved to receive the report and welcome the work being done by volunteers to maintain the garden area.

b. Min. 269/17 – Law Commission Planning Law Consultation:

It was noted that a written report from Cllr Barton had been circulated to members for comment on 16th January.

Resolved that the Clerk forwards a copy of this again and that all members review it before the next meeting (20th February), when a response will be agreed.

c. Min. 291/17 – Transport Vision for North Wales:

The Clerk tabled a response from Dewi Rowlands, Head of Transport Planning Team at the Welsh Government. This confirms that “the Colwyn Bay/Llandudno area has been identified by the Steering Group at the January meeting as one to be added to the list”. A further announcement is expected once there is further clarity on the improvements to be made to other hubs (excluding Deeside and Wrexham, where the project is more advanced).

Resolved to receive and note the response.

d. Min 293/17 – Town Council Website:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration, a proposal to update the existing website to a ‘responsive framework’, which will adapt the site to the platform it is being viewed on (e.g. mobile devices or tablets).

The proposed length of works (2 days) and associated costs were queried.

Resolved that the Clerk meets with Cllr Brockley to ascertain if it is possible for us to access the administration area of the site to make the necessary changes in-house.

318/17 Conwy CBC:

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

- a.** Notice of Temporary Traffic Regulations at Ivy Street Car Park from 4/2 to 5/2 (overnight works).
- b.** Bowmer & Kirkland – latest newsletter re: new Council Offices and associated works.

319/17 Clarke Telecom:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration, a proposal for a radio base station installation at Hafodty Farm, Upper Colwyn Bay, to provide new 4G coverage for Vodafone and improved 2G/3G/4G services for Vodafone and Telefonica.

Resolved to support this application, which is required to eliminate a mobile phone ‘blackspot’ and increase services to local residents. It is felt that the proposed site will have less impact on neighbouring residential properties than those previously considered.

320/17 N&MWALC Quarterly Meeting:

It was noted that a verbal report from the quarterly meeting held on 19th January had

been given by the Mayor, Cllr J Person, at the recent Council meeting and that the Minutes would be circulated in due course.

321/17 One Voice Wales:

The Clerk submitted information about the Welsh Government's Bee Friendly Scheme.

Resolved to refer this to the Colwyn in Bloom Committee so that they can consider seeking accreditation.

322/17 Ageing Well in Wales:

The Clerk submitted/abled, for information, the following documents:

- a. The January Network Update
- b. A brief written report from Cllr G Baker on:
 - i. The Celebrating Communities event held on 16th January in Wrexham.
 - ii. The 'shaping research to support older people in Wales' event on 23rd January.

Resolved to receive and note the reports.

323/17 Other Correspondence:

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

- a. OC(E)RA – Minutes of meeting held on 10.1.18
- b. Conwy Voluntary Access Group – Minutes of a meeting held on 21st November 2017.

324/17 Planning:

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

Cllr G Baker retired from the meeting during consideration of application 0/44729, having declared a personal and prejudicial interest. The Mayor, Cllr J Pearson, took the Chair in her absence.

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

- b. The Clerk submitted, for information, a copy of the Planning Decisions recently issued by CCBC.
- c. The Clerk submitted notification of an appeal in respect of 0/44410 – Former United Reformed Church Hall.

Resolved to delegate authority to the Clerk, in conjunction with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, to submit any additional comments to the Planning Inspector, after considering the Town Council's initial observations and the decision notice issued by Conwy CBC.

325/17 Licensing:

It was noted that there were no licensing applications registered relating to the Bay of Colwyn area.

The meeting closed at 7:15 p.m.

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