

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD AT 6:30PM ON TUESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2018, IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, RHIW ROAD, COLWYN BAY

PRESENT: The Mayor, Cllr S Williams (Temporary Chairman)
Cllrs: B Barton; D Bradley; Mrs M Jones; J Pearson (Tree Warden);
C Matthews; M Tasker; M Worth

OFFICER: Mrs C Earley, Town Clerk

178/18 Welcome and Apologies for Absence

The Mayor, Cllr S Williams took the Chair in the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, and apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: G Baker, N Bastow, C Brockley and G Campbell.

179/18 Declarations of Interest:

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

180/18 Minutes:

- a) *Resolved to approve and sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting, held on 28th August 2018.*
- b) *Resolved to receive the draft minutes of:*
 - i) *A meeting of the Christmas Lights Sub-Committee, held on 3rd September 2018*
 - ii) *A meeting of the Bonfire Sub-Committee, held on 12th September 2018 (tabled)*

181/18 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

a) Min.150/18 – Understanding Welsh Places:

The Clerk submitted an initial response from the Project Officer, confirming that they did not expect to begin the project of making local information available on the website until next Spring. It was noted that this would still be in time to be of use for any draft Place Plan.

Resolved to stay in contact with the Project Officer and request progress updates in due course.

b) Min. 152/18 – Welsh Water Information Event:

The Clerk submitted a written report from Cllr G Baker following the recent consultation event with local businesses. It was noted that works are due to commence in October and that there will be some considerable disruption to

businesses, with road closures and loss of parking spaces expected to impact on footfall. Compensation will be made available to those affected.

Resolved to request that the Clerk writes to CCBC to enquire if anything can be done to provide free short-term parking to assist the local businesses.

c) Min. 147/18(d) – Hesketh Road Bus Shelter:

The Clerk gave a brief verbal update, confirming that the local police team had advised her earlier today that they were not able to release any details of the incident to the Town Council, as we are not the owner of the damaged shelter and therefore have no direct interest in the matter. It was noted that the Clerk had forwarded this information on to Gethin George and requested that he makes contact with NW Police to pursue a claim through the driver's insurance.

Resolved to await a response from Gethin George in due course.

182/18 Conwy CBC:

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

- a) Temporary Traffic Regulation(s):
 - i) Bay View Road, Colwyn Bay (7/10)
 - ii) Grove Park, Colwyn Bay (29/10-9/11)

b) Salt Bag Partnership:

The Clerk submitted details of the scheme, which involves storage of one pallet of bagged salt (40 bags) at a single location in the community, for use on footpaths outside key local sites (examples given include doctors surgeries, local shops and main bus stops).

It was noted that the scheme is of limited use to the broad area covered by the Town Council, as one single location would not be accessible to the wider community and would benefit only those in the vicinity of the storage location. It was therefore felt the scheme would be more relevant to some of the more rural villages in Conwy, rather than the larger towns.

Resolved to receive and note details of the scheme.

- c) Refuse Collection Change – information on the new four weekly collections.

Resolved to receive and note the information.

- d) Bay Life Officers Group: The Clerk gave a brief verbal report on the meeting held earlier this week, covering updates on: 7 Abergele Road, the Pier, Eirias 3G pitch, marketing of the former market hall site, preferred site for the proposed Family Centre (Douglas Road), Town Centre Investment Plan (draft copy circulated – not for sharing until approved), development of the market offer, general concerns about parking and an explanation of the new TRI programme funding streams and

application process, with projects being developed in Colwyn Bay for integrated and animated spaces, key property investments and Colwyn waterfront. There were also proposal to amend the reporting structure and membership of the bay Life Officer Group, with the Town Council and Colwyn BID still expected to be included in the Officer group for regular updates on the various projects/programmes.

The Clerk was thanked for attending and giving her report.

e) Colwyn bay Surf Lifesaving Club:

An e-mail requesting a letter of support for the development of a Surf Lifesaving Club was tabled by the Clerk.

Resolved to recommend that a letter of support be sent.

183/18 Welsh Government:

- a) Notice of the submission of the final recommendations report by the Boundary Commission for Wales to the Minister was received. It was noted that the report will be published on the Commission's website once it has been laid in Parliament.

184/18 Bowmer & Kirkland:

The Clerk submitted a brief e-mail report from the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Co-ordinator, in respect of the Coed Pella office development.

185/18 Planning Aid Wales:

Cllrs M Worth and J Pearson gave a brief verbal report from the Planning training event, held on 11th September. It was noted that the Assistant Clerk had also attended and found the course beneficial.

186/18 Other Correspondence:

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

- (a) OCRA – notes from meeting held in September.
 - (b) One Voice Wales – agenda and motions submitted for the forthcoming conference and AGM.
- Cllr B Barton advised members that he will be attending and will report back on the Cabinet Secretary's presentation on local government reform.

187/18 Planning:

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

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

- b) The Planning Decisions issued by CCBC for the period 27/8 to 9/9 were noted.
- c) The Clerk submitted a report from the Tree Officer (CCBC) in connection with application 0/45369, confirming the reasons why an application to pollard a mature oak tree has been recommended for approval

Resolved to receive and note the Tree Officer's report and recommendations.

- d) It was noted that no Rhiw ward members were available to attend the Planning site visit on 11th September in respect of application 0/45132. However, the Clerk confirmed that the webcast of the Planning Committee meeting showed that the Town Council's concerns had been heard and the application had been deferred to allow further discussion with the applicant about the access and egress for both vehicles and pedestrians to proposed properties 1-3.

188/18 Licensing:

It was noted that no notice of any licensing applications for this area had been received.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

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