

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD ONLINE (VIA ZOOM) AT 6:30PM ON TUESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2020

PRESENT: Cllr C Brockley (Chair)
Cllrs: G Baker; N Bastow (Mayor); G Campbell; Mrs M Jones (Deputy Mayor); J Pearson; M Tasker and M Worth.

OFFICERS: Mrs T Earley, Clerk
Mrs R Dudley, Assistant Clerk

155/20 Welcome and Apologies for Absence:

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr C Matthews. A minute's silence was held as a mark of respect and in memory of Cllr Bob Barton, who had sadly passed away recently.

156/20 Declarations of Interest:

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

157/20 Minutes:

Resolved to approve and sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting, held on 27th October 2020.

158/20 Matters arising from the Minutes:

a) Min 119/20(ii): BT Phone Kiosk:

The Clerk submitted an email from Cllr Matthews regarding the poor condition of the kiosk on Abergele Road and asked members to consider withdrawing the application to adopt the kiosk. The Clerk informed the members that she had had a brief conversation with Cllr Barton after receipt of the e-mail from Cllr Matthews and he had agreed that the kiosk wasn't the right location, due to its poor condition, and was happy to withdraw the intention to adopt it.

Resolved to write to BT to withdraw the intention to adopt the kiosk on Abergele Road.

b) Min 121/20: Noticeboards:

The Clerk asked for any quarterly inspection reports from members: Cllr Matthews had submitted an email regarding overgrowing ivy on the noticeboard on Groes Road; Cllr Worth reported that the noticeboard on Victoria Avenue needs new laminate backing and Cllr Baker reported that the noticeboard on Colwyn Avenue needs minor repairs and the Town Hall signs need replacing.

Resolved that the Clerk requests that members check all other noticeboards in their wards and to notify the staff, when this has been completed.

c) Min 124/20: Transport for Wales:

The Clerk submitted an email asking for suggestions for Station improvements. Cllr Worth reported that a site visit had been undertaken by members of the Colwyn in Bloom Committee, following a discussion at the meeting last week. The renovations and repairs that have been done are very good. He suggested a better cleaning regime or more netting was needed to solve the pigeon problem. The old doors and windows on Platform 2 had been painted green, the paint was cracked and gathered dust. They need covering up and suggested old fashioned British Rail posters. The school paintings displayed are old and faded and need renewing by local schools. There is a brick missing from the wall outside which looks odd and needs replacing. There is also an unused outside space which could be a good area for a takeaway coffee stall, as the station has no refreshment facilities.

Resolved to write to Transport Wales with the Committee's observations.

159/20 Conwy CBC:

a) Temporary Traffic Regulation:

The Clerk submitted, for information:

TTR for prohibition of parking for Prince's Drive on 24/11 (BT Work).

b) Playground Update:

The Clerk submitted an update from the Conwy CBC Playground Inspector.

Resolved to request up-to-date itemised reports from Conwy CBC once the works have been completed.

c) Local Places for Nature Tree Planting Initiative:

The Clerk submitted an email from ERF requesting ideas for possible tree planting. It was not clear from the email which area suggestions were being asked for (within or outside of the town centre investment plan area). The Colwyn in Bloom Committee had submitted Ivy Street Car Park as a possible suitable location. The Tree Warden had met with the Tree Officer, Conwy CBC and had suggestions for locations in Rhos on Sea which he would email to the Assistant Clerk.

Resolved to write to ERF to clarify the area required and to then send the email to all Councillors to invite their suggestions.

160/20 Play Friendly Workforce for Wales:

The Clerk submitted a letter and development plan, which were noted by members.

161/20 NMWALC Re: Consultation on establishing the Town and Country Planning (Strategic Development Plan) (Wales) (Regulations) (2021):

- a) The Clerk submitted an email regarding the consultation which was noted by members.
- b) The Clerk submitted the Consultation Document, which was noted by members.
- c) The Clerk submitted the draft response from NMWALC, which was noted by members.

162/20 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) *Resolved to receive a copy of the Planning Decisions issued by CCBC for the period 19/10/2020 – 15/11/2020.*

c) Planning Aid Wales:

- (i) Cllr Baker gave a brief report on the training course she had attended on 9/11 regarding Introduction to Planning Enforcement. She requested that the Assistant Clerk email the presentation slides to all members.
- (ii) The Clerk submitted information regarding a training course on Responding to Planning Consultations to be held on 9th December.

d) Planning Application 0/47703:

The Clerk submitted an reply regarding the proposed use of the centre and consideration of other sites and asked members to note that, as a result of this further information, 'No Objections' has now been submitted by the Town Council.

e) Change of Use:

Members noted that the difference in the existing change of use regulations on Penrhyn Road and Station Road is to be considered by the LDP Task & Finish Group.

- f) The Clerk submitted the Appeal Decision for Nant Uchaf Farm which was noted by members.

- g) The Clerk submitted the withdrawal notice for planning application 0/47667 which was noted by members.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

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