

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL

COMMUNITY, DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Community, Development & Regeneration Committee held virtually via Zoom at 6.00pm on Tuesday 21st October 2025.

PRESENT: Councillors Paul Beacher (Mayor), Jo Edwards (Deputy Mayor), Catherine Frances Claydon (Chair), Chris Bithell and Robin Guest.

Officers: Jo Lane (Town Clerk and Finance Officer), Jane Evans (Events & Community Engagement Officer) and Emma Lyth (Support Officer).

ABSENT: Councillors Geoff Collett and Megan Lloyd Hughes.

25. APOLOGIES

Councillor Teresa Carberry.

26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

27. MINUTES

It was **resolved** that the minutes from the previous meeting held on Wednesday 10th September 2025 were approved.

28. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was **resolved** that in view of the confidential nature of the following items, which include consideration of quotations and commercially sensitive information, the press and public be excluded from the meeting under the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Section 1(2).

No members of the public were in attendance.

29. BAILEY HILL CENTRE / LODGE

The Town Clerk provided a verbal update alongside the written report circulated prior to the meeting.

It was **resolved** that the Town Clerk will arrange a meeting with Tom Woodall, FCC's lead officer for the Bailey Hill Tripartite Partnership, and Niall and notify members of a date and time.

The tenant's concerns about the inadequate heating within the flat were discussed.

It was **resolved** that the Town Clerk will obtain quotes for the purchase and installation of curtain poles. Once received, a brief meeting will be arranged with members to approve the costs in order for work to commence before the colder weather.

Electrical issues – it was **resolved** to refer the invoice back to Harrisons.

6.27pm: Councillor Joanne Edwards (Deputy Mayor) entered the meeting.

30. CHRISTMAS TREE – SAFETY WORKS AND QUOTATIONS

The Support Officer advised that costings had been received from two contractors to undertake the safety works required to the existing Christmas tree socket. It was **resolved** to appoint Northwich Town Council to carry out the work (£1532, subject to VAT).

31. READMITTANCE OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was **resolved** that the press and public be re-admitted to the meeting for the remaining items of business.

32. HANGING BASKETS – REVIEW LOCATIONS

The hanging basket reports were reviewed and the Support Officer remarked on the positive feedback that's been received on this year's hanging baskets but also highlighted issues, including with the absorbent matting which meant some baskets took longer to flourish. Another basket obscured a no loading sign on Earl Road which will be noted for next year.

Jo Lane (Town Clerk) exited the meeting at 7.04pm.

4 hanging baskets have been recorded outside The Red Lion, however the Events & Community Engagement Officer advised that these do not belong to Mold Town Council.

It was **resolved** to prioritise the brackets in need of replacement and to replace 12 of them. The purchasing of additional brackets and baskets will be looked at again at a later date.

It was **resolved** to discuss hanging basket locations at the next CDR meeting.

It was **resolved** to proceed with the £200 storage solution for the hanging baskets as proposed by the hanging baskets contractor.

33. PROPOSED GLYNDŴR NATIONAL PARK (DESIGNATION) ORDER

It was **resolved** for members to respond as individuals and not under the banner of the Town Council.

34. INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF CCTV IN NORTH WALES

Councillors Bithell and Claydon **agreed** to take part in the review and would be happy for the Town Clerk to also participate.

It was **resolved** that the Police be invited to a Town Council meeting to establish the effectiveness of the town's current CCTV in combatting crime.

35. CDR 2025/26 BUDGET

The current budget for CDR-related expenditure for the financial year 2025/26 was **noted**.

36. CDR BUDGET PROPOSAL 2026/2027

It was **resolved** to accept The CDR budget proposals for 2026/2027.

It was **resolved** to purchase and install an electronic display / notice board in the window of the town council office out of 2025/26 budget. (£1200)

37. BAILEY HILL 2025/26 BUDGET

The current budget for Bailey Hill related expenditure for the financial year 2025/26 was **noted**.

38. BAILEY HILL BUDGET 2026/2027

It was **resolved** to recommend increasing the Service and Maintenance budget to £7,000 for financial year 2026/27.

39. EARMARKED RESERVES 2026/2027

The EMR for CDR and Bailey Hill were **noted**.

Meeting ended at 7.45pm

SUMMARY OF DECLARATIONS MADE BY MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH MOLD TOWN COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT

Community, Development & Regeneration Committee		DATE: 21.10.25
MEMBER	ITEM	MINUTE NO. REFERS

Chairman's signature: Date:
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