

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Mold Town Council held at the Town Hall, Earl Road, Mold on Wednesday 10th May 2023.

PRESENT:

Councillors: Haydn Jones (Mayor), Teresa Carberry (Deputy Mayor), Paul Beacher, Chris Bithell, Tina Claydon, Pete Dando, Joanne Edwards, Bryan Grew, Robin Guest, Catherine Frances Hill, Megan Lloyd Hughes, Brian Lloyd, Sarah Taylor,

On Zoom: Cllrs Haydn Bateman, Tim Maunders.

Officers: Helen Belton, Town Clerk and Finance Officer, Jane Evans, Events and Community Engagement Officer, Jo Lane, Business Regeneration Project Officer.

Also Present: Members of the public.

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR 2023/2024

On the proposal of Councillor Sarah Taylor and seconded by Councillor Robin Guest, it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Teresa Carberry be formally elected as Mayor of Mold Town Council for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Teresa Carberry be formally elected as Mayor for the ensuing year 2023/2024.

In accepting the position of Mayor and thanking Members for the privilege bestowed upon her, Councillor Teresa Carberry signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and thanked members for their support.

2. RETIRING MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The retiring Mayor, Cllr Haydn Jones, outlined his successful year and informed the Town Council that he had raised over £10,000 for his chosen charities through a number of fund-raising events.

He gave special thanks to Events Officer, Jane Evans and to his wife, Liz. They had both shown great support for his events and worked tremendously hard. Cllr Jones thanked the wonderful team of Officers that worked for Mold Town Council and said that he felt confident that the Town Council would be safe in their hands.

He passed the Chain of Office to Cllr Teresa Carberry and wished her well for her coming year.

3. TRIBUTES TO THE MAYORAL YEAR 2022-23

Cllr Chris Bithell gave a vote of thanks to retiring Mayor, Cllr Haydn Jones on behalf of Mold Town Council. Haydn had brought some new fund-raising ideas, such as the Nostalgia evening and the Choral Concert and it was hoped that these would continue. Cllr Bithell said that he had been sorry that he couldn't support many of the events but thanked Cllr Jones for all he had done for the Council and for the town.

Cllr Robin Guest also spoke. He gave his congratulations to Cllr Teresa Carberry and thanked Cllr Haydn Jones. He said it was a privilege to be Mayor of Mold, but even more special for a Son of Mold. This must be a particularly satisfying experience. Cllr Guest was sure that everyone was appreciative. He said that 'you get out of it what you put in' and said that Cllr Jones had put a great deal into the role.

The new Mayor, Cllr Teresa Carberry asked for the retiring Mayor, Cllr Haydn Jones and his wife Liz to step forward, where they were presented with gifts.

4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that Councillor Sarah Taylor be elected as Deputy Mayor.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Sarah Taylor be elected as the Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year 2023/2024.

Councillor Sarah Taylor thanked Members for their nomination and was delighted to be appointed Deputy Mayor.

5. APOLOGIES: Councillor Geoff Collett.

ABSENT: None

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

7. BANK MANDATES

RESOLVED: That

7.1) any two Members of the Council together with the Town Clerk and Finance Officer be authorised to sign cheques and authorise salary/pension/PAYE payments on behalf of the Town Council; and

7.2) the Town Clerk and Finance Officer be authorised to arrange bank transfers on behalf of the Town Council; and

7.3) the Town Clerk and Finance Officer be authorised to arrange payment by direct debit for the following: -

- I-Data – telephone and internet
- Flintshire County Council – National Non Domestic Rates for the Town Hall
- Flintshire County Council – National Non Domestic Rates for the Cemetery
- Flintshire County Council – National Non Domestic Rates for the Bailey Hill Centre
- Your Care Services Ltd – Gas heating service for the Cemetery Lodge
- EDF – Electricity supply to the Bailey Hill Centre.

8. SUBSCRIPTIONS

RESOLVED: That Membership be renewed for

- 8.1) One Voice Wales, (approx. £1,731)
- 8.2) The Institute of Cemeteries and Crematoria, (approx. £95)
- 8.3) Association of Festival Organisers – this would be reviewed at the 2024 Annual Meeting.
- 8.4) Cittaslow UK (£1,500) – this would be added to the May 2023 agenda.
- 8.5) Flintshire Tourism Association £50.

9. OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

RESOLVED: (i) That the Council be represented on the following organisations as follows:

- 9.1 One Voice Wales - Councillors Teresa Carberry, Bryan Grew and Catherine Frances Hill.
- 9.2 Daniel Owen Community Association - Councillors Sarah Taylor, Pete Dando and Joanne Edwards.
- 9.3 Police and Community - Councillor Brian Lloyd
- 9.4 Alyn Works Liaison Committee – Councillors, Brian Lloyd and Tina Claydon (W Ward) and Councillors Chris Bithell and Sarah Taylor (E Ward)
- 9.5 Parkfields Management Committee - Councillor Haydn Jones.
- 9.6 Mold Town Concert Band Management Committee – Councillor Teresa Carberry (Mayor).
- 9.7 Mold Fairtrade – Cllrs Carberry, Catherine F Hill and Megan Lloyd Hughes.
- 9.8 The Bailey Hill Project Partnership – Councillors Sarah Taylor and Paul Beacher.
- 9.9 Mold Plastic Reduction – Councillors Catherine F Hill, Megan Lloyd Hughes.
- 9.10 Woodlands for Water Steering Group – Councillor Tina Claydon. The Clerk would find out if this was still running.
- 9.11 Anti-Social Behaviour Liaison Group (MTC arranges) – Councillors Teresa Carberry, Haydn Jones, Megan Lloyd Hughes and Tina Claydon.

9.12 Cittaslow UK Directors – Town Clerk. MTC rep Cllr Catherine F Hill.

(ii) Vacancies be deferred to the next full Town Council Meeting.

10. COUNCIL COMMITTEES

RESOLVED: (i) That the following Members be appointed to the standing Committees of the Council as detailed below:

10.1 Cemetery Committee - delegated powers - five members - Councillors Paul Beacher, Chris Bithell, Joanne Edwards, Haydn Jones, Pete Dando.

10.2 Community, Development & Regeneration Committee - delegated powers - six members - Councillors Teresa Carberry, Chris Bithell, Robin Guest, Catherine Hill, 2 vacancies.

10.3 Planning Committee - delegated powers - six members - Councillors Tina Claydon, Megan Lloyd Hughes, Joanne Edwards, Pete Dando, Brian Lloyd, Bryan Grew, Sarah Taylor.

It was noted that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are ex-officio voting members of the above three committees.

10.4 Personnel Committee - The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Haydn Jones, Geoff Collett, Catherine Hill, Tina Claydon.

10.5 Budget Committee – Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Cllrs Chris Bithell, Robin Guest, Joanne Edwards, Paul Beacher.

10.6 Policy & Audit Committee – The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Tina Claydon, Megan Lloyd Hughes, Paul Beacher, Robin Guest, 1 vacancy.

10.7 Community Awards Panel - The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Haydn Jones, Paul Beacher, Pete Dando, Joanne Edwards, Catherine F Hill.

10.8 Financial Assistance Review Panel - The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors: Tina Claydon, Pete Dando, Brian Lloyd, Paul Beacher.

10.9 Cittaslow Mold – All Members of the Council.

10.10 Youth and Children’s Council Committee – The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Tina Claydon, Catherine F Hill, Megan Lloyd Hughes, Pete Dando, Chris Bithell, Geoff Collett.

10.11 Accommodation Group – Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Cllrs Geoff Collett, Haydn Jones, Chris Bithell, Bryan Grew, Robin Guest, Tim Maunders

ii) Vacancies be deferred to the next full Town Council Meeting.

iii) Chairs of the above Committees to be appointed at their first meeting.

11. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the previously circulated schedule of meetings for the forthcoming year be approved and that all Town Council/Committee Meetings would commence at 6.00pm.

12. MEMBERS' ATTENDANCES – MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/23

RESOLVED: That the record of attendances be provided at the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 6.40pm

Mayor's signature: Date:

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

MOLD ANNUAL TOWN COUNCIL		DATE: 10th MAY 2023
MEMBER	ITEM	MINUTE NO. REFERS