

# MOLD TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Mold Town Council Meeting held at St David's Church Hall, St David's Lane at 6pm on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (also, by Video conferencing).**

## **PRESENT:**

**Councillors:** Cllrs. Teresa Carberry (Mayor and Chairman), Sarah Taylor (Deputy Mayor), Haydn Jones, Robin Guest, Paul Beacher, Geoff Collett, Brian Lloyd, Catherine F Hill, Tina Claydon and Chris Bithell

Via Zoom: Cllrs. Bryan Grew, Joanne Edwards and Tim Maunders.

**Officers:** Jo Lane, Town Clerk and Finance Officer and Jane Evans, Events and Community Officer

**Guests:** Philip Manktelow, Rebecca Richards – Via Zoom and Cerys Percival, David Walker, Sean Williams in person.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Councillor Teresa Carberry welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited the member of the public who had requested to speak to address the council.

The member of the public spoke to the Council with regards to agenda item 8 – Cittaslow.

Councillor Teresa Carberry thanked the member of the public for their comments.

**191. APOLOGIES:** Cllrs Pete Dando, Tim Maunders and Megan Lloyd Hughes

**ABSENT:** Cllr Haydn Bateman

## **192. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Sarah Taylor declared an interested in agenda item 9 (a).

## **193. PRESENTATION FROM WSP – REBECCA RICHARDS AND COLLEAGUES**

Councillor Teresa Carberry welcomed Philip Manktelow, Rebecca Richards, Cerys Percival, David Walker and Sean Williams to the meeting and invited them to start their presentation.

A presentation was provided on the proposal to build a new carbon dioxide pipeline and above ground installation to connect the Heidelberg Materials Cement Works at Padeswood with the HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline at Northop Hall.

*6.25pm Cllr Tim Maunders joined the Zoom Meeting*

Further information regarding the proposal can be found:  
[hello@hynethub.co.uk](mailto:hello@hynethub.co.uk)  
hynethub.co.uk

Question and Answer session took place.

Cllr Teresa Carberry thanked the visitors for their time.

*Philip Manktelow, Rebecca Richards, Cerys Percival, David Walker and Sean Williams left the meeting.*

#### **194. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cllr Carberry gave personal thanks to Jane, Events and Community Officer – The Mayors Charity Dinner was a huge success with over £5600.00 raised on the evening.

#### **195. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** that;

- (a) The Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 be received and formally approved as a correct record;
- (b) The Minutes of the Financial Assistance Committee held on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 be received and formally approved as a correct record;
- (c) The Minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 be received and formally approved as a correct record;
- (d) The Minutes of the Youth and Children's Committee Meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 be received and formally approved as a correct record.

#### **196. CORRESPONDENCE**

- (i) Request for donation to Marie Curie Annual Great Daffodil Appeal (email attached).  
It was **RESOLVED** that the request is outside the Financial Support remit of the Town Council, therefore Financial Support would not be granted.
- (ii) Free Portrait of His Majesty the King for Community, Town and City Councils in Wales.  
It was **RESOLVED** not apply for a Free Portrait of His Majesty the King for Community, Town and City Councils in Wales.

#### **197. OFFICER REPORTS**

The Events and Community Engagement Officer report was **noted**.

**Decision required:** Distribution of Naked Takeaway Tiffin Tins.  
There are currently 200 stored in the Town Hall. It was **resolved** to donate to local businesses to be used however they like.

The Town Clerk and Finance Officer report was **noted**.

**Decision required:** May the Town Clerk organise additional training on Rialtas to support with end of year closing and Tax Returns. £500 cost. It was **resolved** for the Town Clerk to arrange the relevant training as requested.

It was queried whether the Men's Shed Project could provide opportunities for young people in the future? Currently the Men's Shed initiative is not set up to provide such support but may be able to develop in the future.

## **198. CITTASLOW**

Cllr Catherine F Hill provided a written report and small presentation on Cittaslow Membership.

**MOTION:** To continue with Cittaslow Membership for another 2 years, develop a working group with a minimum of 2 councillors and inviting other groups/ organisations to be involved. Cittaslow Membership to be reviewed again February 2026.

It was **resolved** to continue with Cittaslow Membership for a 2-year period.

## **199. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

- (a) **Mold Boxing CIC – £500**
- (b) **Outside Lives Ltd - £750**
- (c) **Welsh Air Ambulance Charitable Trust - £0**

It was recommended that this application for Financial Assistance be declined as the organisation is a National Charity and falls outside the scope for support.

It was **resolved** to provide the Financial Assistance as recommended by the Financial Assistance Committee.

## **200. MOLD CEMETERY**

Cllr Teresa Carberry wished to thank Arfon Williams-Cooke, Cemetery Superintendent for Mold Cemetery for his 31 years of service.

**MOTION:** Councillor Geoff Collett proposes a review of Mold Cemetery, to include:

- looking at outsourcing all activities in the cemetery and to compare this delivery method with the existing system.
- An accurate analysis is required of the full cost to Mold residents and a comparison made to provide the same service by outsourcing.
- To consider the future of the attached house which we own and how we could use any funds received from the sale of this property.
- As a separate matter we should consider whether we should hand back the cemetery to FCC.
- Also, we should look at whether we should maintain the cemetery in a different manner to a different standard.

The above Motion was not seconded.

Two additional Motions were proposed:

**MOTION:** Councillor Haydn Jones proposed that a new Superintendent is employed, to live in the Cemetery Lodge and to continue running and maintaining Mold Cemetery in the same way.

The above Motion was seconded.

**MOTION:** Cllr Chris Bithell proposed that The Cemetery Committee should discuss first and make recommendations to the Town Council.

The above Motion was seconded.

It was **resolved** to continue to operate and manage Mold Cemetery in the same way going forward as proposed by Cllr Haydn Jones.

## **201. MOLD YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS**

The information provided was **noted**. Requests for Agenda items to be included in the Mold Youth Council Meetings to be sent to the Town Clerk.

## **202. NOTICE OF MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR TERESA CARBERRY**

**MOTION:** Mobile phone for Town Clerk

It was **resolved** for a new sim for the existing mobile phone be obtained on the same basis as the existing Events Mobile phone.

**MOTION:** Reconciliation of monthly outgoings and income with MTC bank balance.

It was **resolved** that a schedule be created for Councillors to support with monthly reconciliation of the bank accounts.

## **203. IDATA – RENEWAL OF 12 MONTH CONTRACT**

It was **resolved** to progress with the 12-month contract quoted from iData.

## **204. BRYN GWALIA RESIDENTS GROUP**

Cllr Tine Claydon provided an update on the Bryn Gwalia Residents Group.

It was **resolved** that the Events and Community Officer will provide support to the resident's groups to arrange a Community Fun Day.

## **205. FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR GWYL GERDD DANT FESTIVAL**

It was **resolved** to re-direct the unused budget for the Blues and Souls Festival for 2023 and 2024 a total of £4,000 to the Gwyl Gerdd Dant Festival.

**206. STANDARDS COMMITTEE – TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE**

It was **resolved** that the 1<sup>st</sup> nominee would be Councillor Russell Davies and the 2<sup>nd</sup> nominee would be Cllr Ros Griffiths.

**207. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING DECISIONS**

**Noted.**

**189. ACCOUNTS/PAYMENTS**

The Council considered the schedules previously circulated.

- Month 10 Community Bank account CB1 £30,702.38 (excl. VAT)
- Month10 Events Bank account £2,331.20
- Month 10 Prepaid Mastercard £330.85
- Month 10 Mayors Charity Account £208.00
- Month 10 Business Money Manager Account £20,000 (internal transfers)

It was **resolved** that that the schedules of payments be approved.

**190. VACANCIES**

The Committee vacancies were **noted**.

**Meeting closed at 20.09pm**

Mayor’s signature: ..... Date: .....

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

<b>MOLD TOWN COUNCIL</b>		<b>DATE: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>
<b>MEMBER</b> Councillor S Taylor	<b>ITEM</b> 9. (a)	<b>MINUTE NO. REFERS</b> 199. (a)