

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Mold Town Council held at the Town Hall, Mold on Wednesday 19th October 2011.

PRESENT:

Councillors: Ray Dodd (Mayor), Chris Bithell, Tony Cattermoul, Carolyn Cattermoul, Geoff Collett, Geoff Darkins, Robin Guest, Carol Heycocks, Joyce Jones, Brian Lloyd, Tim Maunders, Andrea Mearns and Ken Williams with the Clerk and Finance Officer.

APOLOGIES:

Councillors: Ken Corbett and Bryan Grew.

73. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest expressed.

74. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor advised of his engagements during the period since the last meeting.

Reference was made to the reception at the Country Spice Restaurant held in honour of a Member of the Bangladesh Parliament and to the 50th anniversary of Ysgol Maes Garmon.

The Mayor advised that he and David Rowe had judged the window display competition held prior to the Daniel Owen Festival. He also referred to his attendance at the presentation of awards for the Daniel Owen Creative Writing competition when a copy of Fireside Tales by Daniel Owen, recently translated into English, was presented to the Town Council.

The Mayor advised that the Town Centre Manager, Robert Davies ('Springy') and he had been to the Annual Conference and Meeting of Action for Market Towns (AMT), held in Ludlow, when it was announced that Mold Spring Clean had won the AMT National Award for 2011. The Mayor congratulated the Town Centre Manager and all those involved. Whilst it was agreed to give consideration to the purchase of a display cabinet, it was also suggested that consideration be given to allowing the 'Mold Spring Clean' awards to be displayed at other locations, such as schools which participated in the event.

75. MINUTES

Resolved: It was resolved that:

a) The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 28th September 2011 be received and approved;

b) The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 5th October 2011 be received and noted;

76. MATTERS ARISING

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76.1 Minute 60.3 'Black Lion' / B&M Frontage – The Clerk advised that he understood there had been no response from B&M Bargains.

76.2 Minute 60.4 Bryn Gwalia Bowling Green – Councillor Chris Bithell advised he understood that the land was due to be sold with some of the proceeds going to local charities.

76.3 Minute 61.10 One Voice Wales AGM – Councillor Brian Lloyd advised the motion relating to the reintroduction of prescription charges had been defeated and that relating to rights of appeal against County Council decisions had been carried.

77. CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence, including four additional items, were considered:

77.1 The Council considered the report from Flintshire County Council on the success of the summer playschemes. Whilst wishing to congratulate the Play Unit on the success of the schemes in Mold and applaud the opportunities for the disabled, Members raised a number of issues relating to the practical approach adopted for the playschemes. These issues included the differing attendances between the two schemes in Mold and the encouragement of physical activities to reduce the possibility of obesity in children. It was agreed to pass these comments onto the Play Unit.

77.2 The Council noted the invitation to the Annual Joint Consultative Meeting of the Clwyd Pension Fund and agreed that Councillor Bryan Grew should attend if possible.

77.3 The Council considered the invitation to make a nomination for consideration for membership of the Flintshire Local Access Forum. It was agreed to ask Neville Howell if he would be interested and if so to nominate him for membership of the Forum.

77.4 The Council noted the correspondence from Flintshire County Council advising that the Unitary Development Plan has now been adopted. Reference was made to the need to consider the development of a community plan in preparation for the future work of the local development plan.

77.5 The Council noted receipt of a copy of 'Working with the Citizens Advice service – A guide for Councillors' which will be retained at the Town Council office for Members information.

77.6 The Council noted the correspondence from the Betsi Cadwaladr Community Health Council (BCCHC) advising that an additional 15 new members are needed to help the BCCHC continue to deliver its service to the community. It was agreed that any interested Member would contact the Clerk for further information.

77.7 The Council considered the planning application (ref: 048907) – Details of layout, scale and appearance of building and landscaping, submitted in accordance with condition nos. 1 & 2 of outline planning permission ref: 046964 for the erection of a maximum of 50 dwellings, Land off Ruthin Road – and agreed to raise no objections.

77.8 The Council noted the proposed name of ‘Glanrafon Medical Centre’ for the new development at Glanrafon Road / New Street car park but felt that there should be a bilingual name. It was agreed to advise the County Council accordingly.

77.9 The Council noted receipt of the CCTV incident statistics for the period 1st April – 30th September 2011 which are available for Members to view at the Town Hall office.

Resolved: It was resolved that the actions set out above be approved.

78. ACCOUNTS 2011 / 12 – HALF-YEARLY REVIEW

The Council considered the previously circulated report including the bank reconciliation, petty cash, income and the expenditure schedules that detail all amounts and invoices paid up to 30th September 2011.

Resolved: It was resolved to approve the report.

79. PROVISION OF SALT BINS

The Council considered the previously circulated report detailing the locations of requests for the provision of salt bins.

It was agreed to provide salt bins at Moldsdale Road, Woodlands Close and Ffordd Dolgoed. It was also agreed to reconsider the provision of salt bins at Fir Grove and Wood Green alongside other requests at Bryn Hilyn Lane and Milford Street next year as part of the ongoing programme of provision.

Resolved: It was resolved to approve the provision of salt bins at Moldsdale Road, Woodlands Close and Ffordd Dolgoed and advise the County Council accordingly.

80. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING DECISIONS

Resolved: It was resolved to note the report.

81. MEETINGS ATTENDED

81.1 Councillor Chris Bithell advised of his attendance at a meeting with the consultants appointed to investigate the possible multi-sports facility. He advised of the difficulties associated with attempting to satisfy the three clubs but remained hopeful.

81.2 Councillor Andrea Mearns advised of her attendance at the meetings preparing for the Daniel Owen Festival. She also referred to the meeting of Mold 2000 when much was asked of the Town Centre Manager.

Councillor Mearns advised of a meeting with officers of the County Council and Cadwyn Clwyd to discuss the next stages in the development of the 'Local to Mold Food Hub' which would be to identify possible sites.

Councillor Mearns also advised that she had attended a meeting of Llangollen Town Council when there was a presentation on the Cittaslow movement.

81.3 Councillor Brian Lloyd advised of his attendance at the annual meeting of One Voice Wales when Councillor Bryan Grew was elected as Vice Chairman.

82. ACCOUNTS / PAYMENTS

The Council considered the schedule previously circulated and noted that expenditure complied with the statutory powers available to local councils.

Resolved: It was resolved that the schedule of payments be approved.

83. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolved: It was resolved to exclude the public and press from the meeting in order to discuss a confidential matter.

84. BAILEY HILL LODGE

The Clerk referred to the discussion at the previous meeting of the Council and advised that he had spoken with the County Council's Chief Executive. He advised the conversation had been positive and that the Chief Executive had agreed to respond formally within a couple of weeks.

Resolved: It was resolved to note the report.

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

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL	DATE: 19th October 2011
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MEMBER	ITEM	MINUTE NO. REFERS
	None	