

HOLYHEAD TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 2ND JULY 2018 6.00 p.m.
IN PUBLIC

Councillors present: Keith Thomas (Mayor), Glyn Haynes, Hywel Williams, Alan Williams, Mrs Beryl Warner BEM, Keith Roberts, Richard Parry, W J Chorlton, Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE, Mrs Ann Kennedy and Mrs Ailia Lewis MBE

In attendance: Richard W Jones Acting Clerk
Robert Henderson: Community Services Manager
Mrs P R Scott (Clerk/Typist)
Eira Fön Parry Translator

The Mayor welcomed all present to the meeting.

1. To ask the question "Is any member of the public or any member making a recording of this meeting? No one was recording the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence were received by Councillor Adrienne Edwards, K Tatlock, Jennifer Saboor and Vaughan Williams

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BT ANY COUNCILLOR OR OFFICER:

Councillor Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE in the Planning Application as he is a member of the Anglesey County Council Planning Committee

4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Mayor , Councillor Keith Thomas stated that he had been busy and had attended the following engagements:- he had attended the Church Service at St Cybi's Church to welcome the new Vicar Revd Canon Andy Herrick to the Parish; on the 24 May he had attended a Service at St Mary's Primary School; had attended a meeting with the allotment holders; on the 9th June 2018 had attended the AGM of the Huws Gray Cymru Alliance Football League; on the 15 June had attended a prize giving Ceremony for year 11 school pupils at the Holyhead High School; had attended a meeting with Captain Wyn Parry of Stena Line Ports; during the evening of the 16th June had attended a Charity fundraising in memory of ex Councillor Sian Howarth money raised went to the Hospice at Home Nursing when over £2,700 was raised on the night; on Saturday 23rd June attended the start of the Sunset to Sunrise motor bike Charity fundraising event which was from South Stack Lighthouse to Skegness and the bikers reached Skegness at 4.30 a.m. on Sunday 24th June 2018; on the 27th June met with Gill Ronayne of Land & Lakes (Anglesey) Ltd which will become a Bluestone Leisure Park; Gill Ronayne informed the Mayor that she would be pleased to up-date the Town Councillors at a later date re: the Bluestone Leisure Park;

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attended a Helen Barton School of Dance) afternnon show at the Holyhead High School and also a Mary Parry Production Show at the Ucheldre Centre; attended meetings with the Deputy Mayor and Staff meetings; The Mayor stated that he was unaware that Ministers from the Welsh Government had visited the town recently and he had taken this up with the MP and the AM. He had received a reply from the MP and he hoped that in the future that the proper protocol would be observed so that he would be invited to welcome the Ministers to the town; Councillor Chorlton stated that the Anglesey County Council would have been informed of any visits to the island by Ministers or Assembly members;

the Mayor informed the Town Councillors that a Public meeting would be held this coming Friday 6th July 2018 in the Town Hall to which the County Councillors and members of the public had been invited to attend and also business owners from the town would be attending – this was re: the Planning application which had been put in for a hotel at the old Woolworth store in Market Street;

The Mayor stated that he was awaiting a reply from Orthios regarding the grass cutting contract at Peibio Holyhead; arrangements had been made for Gareth Evans Commonwealth Games medal winner as well as Raymond Williams and Carl Jones to join in with the Holyhead Festival Parade which would finalise in the marquee on the Newry Beach;

The Mayor apologised that he had not already welcomed to the meeting a new Town Councillor for the Parc a'r Mynydd Ward – Councillor Glyn Haynes who was also a member of the Anglesey County Council.

5. To submit for approval Income & Expenditure and Statement of Assurance Section 2 Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2018 and the Internal Auditor's Report:

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to approve the Income & Expenditure and Statement of Assurance Section 2 Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2018 and the Internal Auditor's Report.

Minute no. 5286/18

Richard W Jones explained the 4 points in the Audit Opinion to mitigate risks as pointed out by the Internal Auditor and stated that cheque stubs had never been signed previously and that in the past pre-signed cheques by one of the signatories had sometimes been the custom but that he would take note of the Audit Opinion and added that each employee had a personal file which was up-dated and kept up to date on a regular basis.

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Councillor Mrs Ann Kennedy congratulated the officers of the Council for the increased workload that was being carried out due to the extra responsibilities that the Holyhead Town Council now undertook and favourable comments were made on how well the grass cutting was being managed following the purchase of the new grass cutting machine.

6. To receive for information Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 5th March 2018:

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to receive the Minutes as a true record.

Minute no. 5287/18

7. To approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday 9th April 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting.

Minute no. 5288/18

8. To receive for information Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on nMonday 21st May 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to receive for information the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting.

Minute no. 5289/18

9. To approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday 18th June 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting.

Minute no. 5290/18

The translator and the member of the public in the Chamber left the Chamber at this point (6.40 p.m.)

and it was resolved, proposed and seconded that the meeting go into Private session.

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The Mayor stated that the Holyhead & Anglesey Chronicle would be making a feature of the Holyhead Park in their newspaper very soon.

IN PRIVATE SESSION

1. To receive for information Minutes of the Staffing Committee held on Tuesday 13th March 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to receive the Minutes of the Staffing Committee as a true record.

Minute no. 5292/18

2. To receive for information Minutes of the Staffing/Audit Committee meeting held on Wednesday 11th April 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to receive the Minutes of the Staffing/Audit Committee as a true record.

Minute no. 5293/18

3. To receive for information Minutes of the Staffing/Audit Committee meeting held on Friday 1st June 2018

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to receive the Minutes of the Staffing/Audit Committee as a true record.

Minute no. 5294/18

4. To approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday 18th June 2018 (part B) in private

Item 12 was considered only as items 10 (Land at Peibio, Holyhead) and 11 (Millbank Sports field Holyhead) had already been discussed in the Public part of the Agenda – item 9 of the Agenda.

It was resolved, proposed and seconded to approve item 12 (Remuneration Panel Report)

Minute no. 5295/18

Sub-Committees: Members of each Sub-Committee would inform the Acting Clerk when they were available to call meetings of their respective Committees. Councillor Mrs Beryl Warner BEM stated that she wished to sit on the Communities/Leisure Committee.

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The translator returned to the meeting at this stage.

PLANNING APPLICATION(S):

Appl no. 19C842M/1/ECON : Full application for the erection of a hotel, associated car parking, vehicular access, drainage infrastructure and other associated works on land adjacent to

RoadKing, Parc Cybi, Holyhead (3 storey, 78 bedrooms, 80 parking spaces and 8 cycle stands)

It was resolved to make no objection.

Minute no. 5296/18

Councillor Mrs Ailia Lewis MBE stated that she had been concerned for many years about the shabby condition of the Holyhead Railway Station and had recently bought flowers and had placed them at the Holyhead Station. She informed Councillors that the Town Council had written on her behalf to Network Rail regarding the shabby condition of the Railway Station but she had not, as yet, received a reply from them.

Councillor Keith Thomas stated that he would look to see if grant money could be obtained from the Welsh Government for new signage for the Holyhead Station.

Councillor Alan Williams commented on the large amount of freight and travelling public who went over to Ireland throughout the year by using the Port of Holyhead and Councillor Mrs Ann Kennedy also commented on the high number of foot passengers who visited the town centre regularly and this fact could be brought to notice at the Public meeting to be held on Friday 6th July 2018 re: the old Woolworths building.

Councillor Alan Williams informed members that Stena Line would be holding a public consultation at the Town Hall on Thursday 2nd August 2018 between 1.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. so that the general public can be informed of their forthcoming plans in the port.

The meeting concluded at 7.15 p.m.