

## **HOLYHEAD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 4 OCTOBER 2021 6.00 p.m.**

**Councillors present:-** Richard Parry (Mayor), Alan Williams, Hywel Williams, Mrs Beryl Warner BEM, W J Chorlton, Glyn Haynes, Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE, Ken Tatlock, Raymond Jones, Mrs Ann Kennedy and Keith R Roberts

**In attendance:** Robert Henderson Town Clerk/Financial Officer  
Mrs P R Scott Clerk/Typist

1. The Mayor, from the chair welcomed all present to the meeting and stated that it was good to see Councillor Mrs Ann Kennedy at the meeting following her recent family bereavement.

Is any member or Officer making a recording of this meeting?

No – one was recording the meeting.

2. **APOLOGIES** for absence were received from the Translator Eira Fôn Parry, Jennifer Saboor, Adrienne Edwards, Mrs Ailia Lewis MBE, Keith Thomas and Vaughan Williams

#### **3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY ANY COUNCILLOR OR OFFICER:**

Councillor Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE and Councillor Glyn Haynes in item 9 of the Agenda (Planning Consultation ADV/2021/09) (Signage at Block E Penrhos Industrial Estate Holyhead) as they are both members of the Anglesey County Council Planning Committee.

#### **4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Mayor, Councillor Richard Parry provided a detailed list of 20 engagements he had attended between the 15 July 2021 and the 30 September 2021.

He explained that when he had met with the MP for Anglesey Virginia Crosbie that it was so that he could be made aware of local matters in relation to Holyhead. He would keep the Town Councillors up to date of any future developments in the town and he added that it was important to work closely with the MP for Anglesey and the AM for Anglesey.

#### **5. To welcome Revd. Robert Wardle to the meeting:**

The Mayor, Councillor Richard Parry welcomed Revd. Robert Wardle to the meeting. Revd Wardle stated that 20 years ago he was a Youth and Community worker in the town and that he had returned to Holyhead within the last 2 years

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and then the COVID-19 Pandemic had occurred out of the blue. Revd. Wardle stated that there would be major plans ahead for Eglwys Y Bedd and the Parish Church itself. He was keen to make the Church a Community Project, for the benefit of the local community and visitors alike in providing a social enterprise centre - food bank service/café and a mobile project to travel around the whole of the island and to enable people to become more involved in a multi-use building. Major works were planned for St Cyb's Church to make it a more accessible building by levelling the floor and to remove some, if not all of the existing pews, also to provide toilet facilities within the Church building itself. The pews would be up-cycled for other areas of the Church and Eglwys y Bedd. As the building was a Grade 1 listed building archeological digs would have to be undertaken and the cost of the proposed works would be over £2 million. Councillors stated that they would not be happy for all of the pews to be removed and that some existing members of the congregation may find the proposed works to be too radical a change from the existing building. Revd. Wardle stated that he did not want to change the atmosphere of the building, but to make the building a more welcoming place for both locals and visitors alike.

He stated that he welcomed ideas from Councillors on how works could progress effectively.

Councillor Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE stated that it would be a better idea to have one Food Bank for the whole of the town and not have different organisations offering the same service.

Councillor Mrs Ann Kennedy stated that it was important also to look at how food would be packaged.

Councillor Keith Roberts stated that St Mary's Primary School worked closely with the food bank run by the Trussell Trust.

The Mayor thanked Revd. Robert Wardle for attending the Council meeting and for the information that he had provided.

Revd. Wardle left the meeting at 6.40 p.m.

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**6. DISCUSSION REGARDING SECTION 106 CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NEW HOUSING DEVELOPERS AND THE BENEFITS TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY**

The Town Clerk, Robert Henderson read out the Planning Obligations dated February 2019 Anglesey & Gwynedd Joint Local Development Plan.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding community benefits from Section 106 in relation to local developments. The Town Clerk read from the Planning Obligations document which specified specific financial obligations Developers are obliged to contribute for each new housing development. There were 14 sub-categories under the Section 106 Obligations.

*It was resolved,* proposed and seconded that the Town Clerk send an FOI (Freedom of Information Request) to the Head of the Planning Department of the Anglesey County Council requesting a detailed explanation and breakdown for all new developments within the last six years in Holyhead and financial contributions from any developer under the 14 sub-categories.

Minute no. 5687/2021

7. To approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday, 6 September 2021:

*It was resolved,* proposed and seconded that the Minutes be approved as a true record.

Minute no. 5688/2021

8. This item was not now an Agenda item for discussion.

9. Planning Consultation ADV/2021/09 : Erection of the siting of 2 x non-illuminated signs on land at Block E, Penrhos Industrial Estate, Holyhead

*It was resolved,* proposed and seconded to make no objection.

Minute no. 5689/2021

The meeting concluded at 7.10 p.m.

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