

PRESENT: Cllr. Rosie Hughes-Moseley (**Mayor - Chairman**)
Cllrs. Stephen Beach, James Bryan, Bob Costain, Elisabeth Culshaw, June Derry, Sioned Foulkes, Ken Hawkins, Robert Owen Ellis, Anne Roberts, Katy Morgan Williams and Emrys Wynne; also County Councillor Bobby Feeley.

151. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Menna Jones, Simeon Jones and Geraint Woolford.

152. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr June Derry, in view of the family connection, declared an interest in the following and left the Chamber during the discussion and decision thereon.

Min. No. 163 (1) Shop Front Improvement Scheme – J. & C Collister

153. THE POLICE

The Police were represented by PCSO's Lee Humphries and Mandy McLoughlin who provided members with a Police report covering the past 12 months. Overall, there were 174 victims of crime including 27 anti-social environmental crimes. They referred to a CCTV system on Park Road which is used to monitor anti-social elements – a total of 64 ASBO's have been issued, mostly relating to events at this location. A total of 18 personal ASBO's have been issued since the 1st January. The new Sergeant at Ruthin will be Sgt. Phil Richards and there will be more police presence on the streets. They took questions from members on vandalism of vehicles over the summer months and details of police shift system. They were thanked by the Mayor.

154. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported that she had attended the following since the last meeting:

To be completed.

155. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr. Stephen Beach	Site meeting re Oak Tree at Cae Ddôl
Cllr. James Bryan	Canolfan Awelon Management Committee
Cllr. Bob Costain	Christmas Lights switch-on
Cllr. Elisabeth Culshaw	Canolfan Awelon Management Committee
Cllr. Sioned Foulkes	Friends of Cae Ddôl, Remembrance Sunday
Cllr. Ken Hawkins	Christmas Market & switch-on, Canolfan Awelon – Christmas Party
Cllr. Robert Owen Ellis	Site meeting re Oak Tree at Cae Ddôl, Ysgol Pen Barras Governing Body x 3, Christmas Lights, Food Bank x 2, Meeting at St. Asaph re Floods x 2
Cllr. Anne Roberts	Site meeting re Oak Tree at Cae Ddôl, Glasdir Christmas event, Ruthin Forward.
Cllr. Katy Morgan Williams	Glasdir Christmas event, Christmas Lights, Glasdir Residents Association
Cllr. Emrys Wynne	Glasdir Christmas event, Lantern Procession, Theatr John Ambrose x 2, Meeting at St. Asaph re Floods.

156. MINUTES OF THE LAST ORDINARY MEETING

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2013 be confirmed as a correct record.

157. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

158. AMENITIES COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the committee presented the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2013.

RESOLVED: *that the minutes be received.*

159. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the committee presented the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2013.

RESOLVED: *that the minutes be received.*

160. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

(a) **RESOLVED:** *to receive and adopt the minutes of this Sub-committee held on Monday, 3 December 2013.*

(b) Members were asked to consider a letter from Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod requesting a Financial Donation towards this year's Eisteddfod.

RESOLVED: *to make a donation of £100.00.*

161. GOOD CITIZEN

Members were asked to discuss this matter.

RESOLVED: *that a meeting be held following the next Committee meetings. Membership – Cllrs. Menna Jones and Anne Roberts together with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.*

162. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Members were asked to discuss this matter further. A member suggested that the work done by the two stalwarts of the local British Legion be recognised and that they rewarded for their efforts over the years.

RESOLVED: *to make a presentation at a Town Council meeting in the New Year.*

163. SHOP FRONTAGE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Members received details and were asked to approve the following applications received under the above scheme:

(1) J. & C. Collister re Vanity Fayre, St. Peter's Square

A completed Application Form together with two written quotes and seven photographs has been received. Based on the lowest of the two quotes, a Grant of £1,000.00 would be payable.

(2) Ray Cronin re Celtic Hair Studio, 2 Well Street

A completed Application Form together with two written quotes and four photographs has been received. Based on the lowest of the two quotes and excluding V.A.T. on the cost of a Cherry Picker, a Grant of £810.00 would be payable

RESOLVED: *to confirm and approve the above applications.*

164. TOWN WEBSITE

Members were asked to consider a request from the Town Team as to whether the offer of £1,000.00 towards the website development still stands.

RESOLVED: *to inform the Town Team that the offer of £1,000.00 was made on the basis of the old quote and that the offer had now lapsed.*

165. RHUTHUN PRODUCE MARKET

Members were asked to discuss the donation of £500.00 budgeted for the above Organisation, which is now disbanded.

RESOLVED: *to include the £500.00 in future Financial Statements as a budget item under 'Rhuthun Medieval Market'. The budget for this year will not be claimed.*

166. RHUTHUN TOWN CO-ORDINATOR

The Town Clerk submitted an e-mail from Denbighshire County Council concerning funding for a part time coordinator post. Further details will be made available by the next Town Council meeting at which the matter can be discussed fully - in the meantime, a nominal sum of £5,000 will be included in the Financial Estimates.

167. WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF WATER CONSERVATORS

Members received written details of insurance cover for a Town Relic following last month's presentation.

RESOLVED: *to receive and confirm the insurance cover for the Town Relic.*

168. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

(a) The Town Clerk, as Responsible Financial Officer, submitted his Financial Statement for the period ending 30th November 2013.

RESOLVED: *that the Financial Statement be received and adopted.*

(b) members were informed that the sum of £4,000.00 previously budgeted for Nantclwyd y Dre will be shown on future Financial Statements which would have the effect of reducing the General Fund to £24,869 with the Total Reserves remaining at a figure of £90,065.

169. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: *that payment of the following accounts be authorised.*

497	Sandra Williams	Translation	*	90.00
498	Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance		177.47
499	Fineline Printing & Stationery	A4 100 gms paper 2 Ream	*	14.16
500	Fineline Printing & Stationery	Christmas Cards	*	111.40
561	Llangollen Eisteddfod	Donation		100.00
501	Age Concern – Luncheon Club	Donation		100.00
502	Rhuthun Cricket Club	Donation		450.00
503	Rhuthun Town Band	Donation		100.00
504	Denbighshire Care and Repair	Donation		100.00
505	Urdd National Eisteddfod, 2014	Donation		100.00
506	Wales Air Ambulance	Donation		200.00

Cheque No. 5651 was taken from a new Cheque Book in error.

(The items marked with an * above include recoverable V.A.T. of £35.93)

170. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as Monday, 27 January 2014.