

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the **RHUTHUN TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Offices, Wynnstay Road, Rhuthun on Monday, 27 January 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Stephen Beach (**Deputy Mayor - Chairman**)
Cllrs. James Bryan, Bob Costain, Sioned Foulkes, Ken Hawkins, Menna Jones, Robert Owen Ellis, Anne Roberts, Geraint Woolford and Emrys Wynne; also County Councillor Bobby Feeley.

171. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Elisabeth Culshaw, June Derry, Rosie Hughes-Moseley, Simeon Jones and Katy Morgan Williams.

172. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations received.

173. DEPUTY MAYOR'S REPORT

The Deputy Mayor reported that he had attended the following since the last meeting:
Centenary Baton at Rhuthun Craft Centre.

174. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr. James Bryan	Canolfan Awelon Management Committee, Rhuthun Festival x 2
Cllr. Sioned Foulkes	Friends of Cae Ddôl.
Cllr. Menna Jones	Flood Group
Cllr. Robert Owen Ellis	Food Bank x 5, Glasdir Flood Fund (with St. Asaph), Welsh Language Promotion.
Cllr. Anne Roberts	Ruthin Forward x 2
Cllr. Emrys Wynne	Flood Group at St. Asaph, Ruthin Art Trail, Welsh Language Promotion.

175. MINUTES OF THE LAST ORDINARY MEETING

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 December 2013 be confirmed as a correct record.

176. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

177. FINANCIAL SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: to receive and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2014.

178. TOWN RELICS

Members were asked to confirm release of a Town Relic for which there is insurance cover in place.

RESOLVED: to confirm release of Hugh Myddelton Cup to Mr Ivor Richards.

179. REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

(a) RUTHIN AND DISTRICT YOUNG FARMERS CLUB

The Town Clerk submitted an Application for Financial Assistance (together with Financial Account) from the above Organisation.

RESOLVED: to make a donation of £250.00 to this Organisation.

(b) RHUTHUN SHOW SOCIETY

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from the above Society requesting a donation towards this year's show which is to be held on Saturday, 23 August 2014 – there is £500.00 budgeted for this Organisation. An e-mail since received from the Society was read out stating that the show will not

be held at Rhuthun Auction Market this year due to building works but that the intention is to hold the Show next year.

RESOLVED: to make a donation of £200.00 to this Organisation for this year and to carry forward the remaining £300.00 towards next year's Show.

(c) THE FOUNDATION AT RHUTHUN CASTLE ASSOCIATION

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from the above Association requesting a financial donation towards the cost of establishing a trust to take over the castle buildings and grounds.

RESOLVED: to request that they make a presentation to the members at the next Town Council meeting.

180. TOWN CENTRE CO-ORDINATOR

Members were given further written details of the above post and were asked to consider a request for Financial Assistance and to host the post from September 2014 onwards. They expressed an interest in financing the post subject to member involvement from the start.

RESOLVED: to confirm a donation of £5,000.00, in principle, to be included in next Financial Year's Precept calculation and that Cllr. Robert Owen-Ellis be the Town Council's representative.

181. FINANCIAL ESTIMATES

The Town Clerk, as Responsible Financial Officer, submitted his draft estimates for the Financial Year ending 31 March 2015. It proposed an expenditure of £129,575 (including £30,000 under 'Public Realm' and £5,000 under 'Town Centre Coordinator') against income of £129,225 Precept and £350 Investment / Bank Interest. This would make a Band D equivalent of £54.92 against last year's equivalent of £47.83. Following a review of each expenditure item it was

RESOLVED: that the Town Council precept Denbighshire County Council for **£129,225** being a Band D rate equivalent of £54.92 for the Financial Year ending 31 March 2015.

182. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Town Clerk, as Responsible Financial Officer, submitted his Financial Statement for the period ending 31st December 2013.

RESOLVED: that the Financial Statement be received and adopted

183. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: that payment of the following accounts be authorised.

D.D.	B.T.	Telephone	*	109.15
S.O.	Canda Copying Ltd	Photocopier Rental	*	129.14
507	Sandra Williams	Translation	*	90.00
508	Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance		177.47
509	North Wales Association of Town Councils	Lunch x 2 – Meeting 24 January at Llandudno		29.00
510	Canda Copying Ltd	Additional copies – black and white	*	55.82
511	Canda Copying Ltd	Additional copies - colour	*	39.64
512	Dafydd Williams	Conference table – paid with card.	*	128.66
513	Denbighshire County Council	Road Closure for Lantern procession	*	300.00
514	Zurich Municipal	Insurance Premium		6,299.23
515	Cllr. Katy Morgan Williams	Glow sticks – Glasdir event		88.91
516	John Tudor	Christmas Trees - 2013	*	1,740.00
517	Rhuthun Young Farmers Club	Donation		250.00
518	Rhuthun Show Society	Donation		200.00

(The items marked with an * above include recoverable V.A.T. of £413.87)

184. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as Monday, 24 February 2014.