Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the **RHUTHUN TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Offices, Wynnstay Road, Rhuthun on Monday, 28 July 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Stephen Beach (Mayor - Chairman)

Cllrs. James Bryan, Elisabeth Culshaw, Bob Costain, June Derry, Ken Hawkins,

Rosie Hughes-Moseley, Menna Jones, Simeon Jones, Anne Roberts and

Emrys Wynne; also County Councillor Bobby Feeley.

55. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Sioned Foulkes, Robert Owen-Ellis, Katy Morgan Williams and Geraint Woolford.

56. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Emrys Wynne declared an interest in the following item, as his sister's husband is Treasurer of the Organisation, and left the Chamber during the discussion and decision thereon.

Min. No. 65(b) Requests for Financial Assistance – Côr Rhuthun

57. RHUTHUN TOWN PLAN

A presentation was received from County Councillor Huw Hilditch-Roberts who updated members on the Rhuthun Town Plan. He emphasised that to draw monies, any project would need to be in the Plan - the structure was agreed some 18 months ago when the Town Team was set up. There are three main themes in the Town Plan: Town for Life; a thriving medieval town and a town of 7 days' experience. The Town Team was set up to enable more co-ordinated working with other Societies / Organisations. One way traffic at Anchor corner is in the pipeline. Questions from members included opinion on Sunday opening; success of the Art Trail; website marketing; co-ordinator funding; publicity and lack of marketing. He stated that a recent Hamlet play at Nantclwyd y Dre attracted some 400 people and that hundreds of people attended a recent triathlon event in the town. He was thanked by the Mayor.

58. MAYOR'S REPORT

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

- 24 Jun Meeting re World War I
- 26 Jun Health Board meeting at Connah's Quay
- 27 Jun Opening new Day Centre at Valley Lodge, Llanarmon yn Ial
- 28 Jun Launch of Marie Curie Ruthin and Denbigh at Tabernacl Chapel
- 3 Jul Meeting at Ysgol Brynhyfryd re WWI service
- 4 Jul Town Hall Gospel Choir at Ysgol Brynhyfryd
- 6 Jul Civic Sunday
- 7 Jul Floral Display Competition judging
- 8 Jul Carnival of Nations Concert at Llangollen Pavilion
- 10 Jul Community Chest Meeting at Trefnant; Rhos Street School Governing Body
- 12 Jul Launch of Wikipedia Rhuthun in Awelon
- 13 Jul Mayor of Rhyl's Civic Sunday
- 15 Jul Ruthin Town Team meeting at Ruthin Castle
- 16 Jul Site meeting re Cae Seren Litter Bin; Ruthin Co-ordinator meeting
- 17 Jul Borthyn School Farewell Tea Mr Neil Roberts; Quayle Awards Feathers Inn
- 18 Jul North & Mid Wales Association of Local Councils AGM at Connah's Quay
- 21 Jul Gideons Bible Presentation at Town Hall
- 25 Jul Open Day at 'Goodman; Llys Awelon Open Day
- 26 Jul World War I service at St. Asaph Cathedral
- 27 Jul Denbighshire County Council Chairman's Civic Service at Rhyl

59. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr. James Bryan Rhuthun Festival x 2, Civic Sunday.

Cllr. Elisabeth Culshaw Civic Sunday; Canolfan Awelon Management Committee, AGM

League of Friends.

Cllr. June Derry Launch of Wikipedia Rhuthun in Awelon, Open day at 'Goodman'.

Cllr. Ken Hawkins WW1 meeting. Civic Sunday

Cllr. Rosie Hughes-Moseley Civic Sunday

Cllr. Menna Jones Civic Sunday, Opening new Day Centre at Valley Lodge, Llanarmon

yn Ial, Ysgol Borthyn Management Committee

Cllr. Anne Roberts Meeting re WWI; North & Mid Wales Health Committee; Ruthin

Forward x 4; Meeting at Ysgol Brynhyfryd re WWI service; meeting with Shelly Barratt (Town Co-ordinator); Town Hall Gospel Choir at Ysgol Brynhyfryd; Civic Sunday; Floral Display competition judging; Carnival of Nations Concert at Llangollen Pavilion; Training for Chairs and Vice-chairs at County Hall; Launch of Wikipedia Rhuthun

in Awelon; Meeting with Neil Dalrymple; Ruthin Library.

Cllr. Emrys Wynne Civic Sunday, North & Mid Wales Association of Local Councils.

60. MINUTES OF THE LAST ORDINARY MEETING

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 23 June 2014 be confirmed as a correct record.

61. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

62. AMENITIES COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the committee presented the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2014. **RESOLVED**: that the minutes be received.

63. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the committee presented the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2014. **RESOLVED**: that the minutes be received.

64. FINANCIAL SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: to receive and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2014.

65. REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

(a) LLANFWROG COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - FIREWORKS DISPLAY

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from the above Organisation requesting grant funding of £1,000.00 towards the above event – there is £1,000 budgeted under 'Fireworks Display. **RESOLVED**: to make a donation of £1,000.00 towards the above event. To acknowledge the Town Council's support on any promotional material and that posters etc are produced bilingually.

(b) CÔR RHUTHUN

The Town Clerk submitted a completed 'Application Form for Financial Assistance' together with two year's accounts from the above Organisation requesting a contribution towards the cost of an official visit to Canada next year.

RESOLVED: to make a donation of £1,000.00 to the above Organisation.

66. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES RHUTHUN TOWN CHARITIES

Members received a copy of an e-mail from the Secretary of the above Organisation.

67. CIVIC SUNDAY - 6th JULY 2014

Members were asked to confirm payment of five invoices totalling £1,185.00 re above event. **RESOLVED**: to confirm payment of five invoices totalling £1,185.00.

68. TOWN TEAM

At the request of Denbighshire County Council, members were asked to confirm payment of the sum of £1,000.00 to the Treasurer of the Town Team – there is £1,000 in Reserves under this heading held on behalf of Denbighshire County Council.

RESOLVED: to confirm payment on condition that written confirmation is received from Denbighshire County Council.

69. CLWYD COMMUNITY CHEST

Members were asked to consider renewal of membership of the above Organisation at a cost of £10.00

RESOLVED: to renew our membership at a cost of £10.00.

70. CAR PARKING AT COUNTY HALL

Members were asked to consider requesting Grosvenor Facilities to open this Car Park over the weekends. A member stated that there is no Public Liability Insurance in place.

RESOLVED: not to take any further action.

71. DARREN MILLAR, A.M.

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from Darren Millar, A.M. who wishes to attend a meeting of the Town Council.

RESOLVED: to invite Mr Darren Millar, A.M. to a meeting of the Town Council.

72. COMMEMORATING 100 YEARS SINCE THE START OF WORLD WAR ONE

Members received further details of the special service to be held on Sunday 3rd August 2014 at St. Peter's Church at 10:30 a.m.

73. EMERGENCY POWERS

RESOLVED: to authorise the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to sign cheques and approve Planning Applications of a non-controversial nature during the recess.

74. ORDINARY AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS - OCTOBER 2014

Members were asked to consider a request to change the date of the October Ordinary meeting from Monday, 27^{th} to Monday 20^{th} October and the Committee meetings from Monday, 13^{th} to Monday, 6^{th} October.

RESOLVED: to confirm the changes.

75. 'FREE PARKING DAYS'

Members were asked to consider substituting Saturday, 29th November for Saturday, 20th December as a 'Free Parking Day' since the Market and Christmas Lights switch-on will be held on this day.

RESOLVED: to confirm the substitution.

76. A55 SIGNAGE

Members were asked to consider an e-mail from Denbigh Town Council who seeks our support in bringing this matter to the fore once again in a meeting to be arranged with the local Assembly Member.

RESOLVED: that the Mayor, Cllr Stephen Beach attends the meeting.

77. WIKIPEDIA PLAQUE - TOWN CLOCK

The Town Clerk submitted an e-mail from Ron Bell who wishes to install a QR plaque on the Peers Monument on St. Peter's Square. Phil Ebbrell, Conservation Architect, Denbighshire County Council has no objection.

RESOLVED: to agree to the request.

78. ANNUAL RETURN FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2014

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from UHY Hacker Young, External Auditors, who propose to issue an unqualified audit certificate.

RESOLVED: to receive the letter.

79. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Town Clerk, as Responsible Financial Officer, submitted his Financial Statement for the period ending 30th June 2014.

RESOLVED: that the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

80. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: that payment of the following accounts be authorised. S.O. Canda Copying Ltd Photocopier Rental 129.14 Sandra Williams 591 **Translation** 90.00 592 Inland Revenue Tax and National Insurance 163.20 593 Cllr. Anne Roberts Travelling Expenses 46.35 594 Denbighshire County Council Fee re Training for Vice Chairs 35.00 595 N.Woodcock (Black Dog) Frame Certificate Good Citizen 54.00 * Additional copies – black 596 Canda Copying Ltd 46.38 Canda Copying Ltd 597 Additional copies - colour 61.33 J. & C. Brimble Watering of planters - 2 Jun - 5 July (9 598 1,216.80 waterings) Art Trail trees - 18 May - 5 July (11 599 J. & C. Brimble 275.00 waterings) 600 North & Mid Wales Association Lunch at Connah's Quay - Friday, 18 July 29.00 of Local Councils * 601 Fineline Printing & Stationery Office supplies (including shredder) 166.56 Leander Architectural Edward Pugh plaque 602 330.24 Advert re Service in St. Peter's. 15.00 603 Y Bedol Repaint Cae Ddôl Skate Park 604 **Chapman Painting Contractors** 3,826.00 **Ground Control** Grass Cutting - May 2014 605 448.62 606 **Ground Control** Grass Cutting - June 2014 448.62 Llanfwrog Community Assoc 607 Fireworks Display 1,000.00 608 Côr Rhuthun **Donation** 1,000.00 Clwyd Community Chest 609 Membership 10.00 **Cancelled Cheque Cancelled Cheque** 610 0.00 Civic Sunday - afternoon tea 611 Bar Llaeth 273.00 Refund re Llangollen Town Band 612 Cllr. Stephen Beach 120.00 Friends of Nantclwyd y Dre Hire of Gazebo 613 35.00 Civic Sunday - Hog Roast 614 **Eagles Bakery** 507.00

81. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Denbighshire County Council

Ruthin Town Team

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RESOLVED: to confirm the next meeting of the Town Council as Monday, 22 September 2014.

(The items marked with an * above include recoverable V.A.T. of £286.81)

Monies held on behalf of DCC

Hire of Nantclwyd y Dre

1,000.00

250.00