

PRESENT: Cllr. Stephen Beach (**Mayor – Chairman**)
Cllrs. James Bryan, Bob Costain, Elisabeth Culshaw, June Derry, Ken Hawkins, Rosie Hughes-Moseley, Menna Jones, Anne Roberts, Geraint Woolford and Emrys Wynne.

179. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Sioned Foulkes, Simeon Jones and Robert Owen-Ellis; also County Councillor Bobby Feeley

180. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations received.

181. THE RT HON. DAVID JONES, M.P.

Prior to his speech, The Rt Hon David Jones, M.P., presented a Town Plaque to Rick Bevan of Grosvenor Facilities Management in recognition of his long and dedicated service to both the Town Council and the County Council.

A presentation was then received from The Rt. Hon. David Jones, M.P., who stated that this will be his last visit as a Member of Parliament for this session and he was here to listen to and respond to members' concerns. He referred first of all to Maternity Care at Ysbyty Glan Clwyd – there is a huge amount of concern across the constituency and he very much hopes that the Board will review their decision. In Rhuthun, the provision for Awelon residents is an issue and he has been assured that whatever decision is made the well being of the residents will be of paramount consideration. Ysgol Llanbedr apparently has had a reprieve – the substance of the Welsh Government report is that certain technicalities were missing from the consultation and that the process of the viability of the school will re-open. Crime and policing in general is better now than at any time over the past 10 years. Took questions from members on reorganisation of the two Ruthin schools and the future of Care Homes. He was thanked for his presence by the Mayor.

182. MAYOR'S REPORT

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

- 26 Jan Meeting with Jamie Groves, Denbighshire County Council re Rhuthun Craft Centre
- 29 Jan Ruthin Twinning Association
- 8 Feb Betty Watson's 100th birthday celebrations
- 12 Feb Meeting at Nantclwyd y Dre to arrange Commemorative Service on Friday, 27 March 2015 for Lieutenant Philip Hebdon Lecomber.

183. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr. James Bryan	Service at Llanfwrog Church to welcome new Head Teacher of Ysgol Borthyn, Canolfan Awelon Management Committee x 2, Ruthin Festival x 2
Cllr. Elisabeth Culshaw	Lifestyle Soirée evening
Cllr. Ken Hawkins	Service at Llanfwrog Church to welcome new Head Teacher of Ysgol Borthyn.
Cllr. Menna Jones	Service at Llanfwrog Church to welcome new Head Teacher of Ysgol Borthyn.
Cllr. Anne Roberts	Ruthin Forward

184. MINUTES OF THE LAST ORDINARY MEETING

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.

185. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

186. AMENITIES COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the committee presented the minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2015.

RESOLVED: *that the minutes be received.*

187. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the committee presented the minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2015.

RESOLVED: *that the minutes be received.*

188. RHUTHUN AREA MARKETING

(a) Members were asked to note receipt of the sum of **£15,150.00** from Denbighshire County Council being monies from the Area Plan – this sum will be shown on Financial Statements from the 1st April 2015 under the above heading.

RESOLVED: *to note the details.*

(b) Members were asked to confirm a change of title on Financial Statements from 1st April as follows: 'Ruthin Town Co-ordinator' to 'Rhuthun Town Marketing'.

RESOLVED: *to confirm the change of title.*

189. RHUTHUN TOWN TRAIL BOARDS

The Town Clerk submitted a letter from Denbighshire County Council who wish to upgrade the existing boards situated at Cae Ddol Car Park and Market Street Car Park.

RESOLVED: *to receive the letter and to confirm the upgrade. The board at Market Street Car Park to be relocated somewhere more suitable.*

190. REFORMING LOCAL GOVERNMENT – POWER TO LOCAL PEOPLE

The Town Clerk submitted a White Paper issued by the Welsh Government and to submit responses by Tuesday, 28 April 2015. The full document can be found at:

<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/localgovernment/power-to-local-people/?lang=en>

RESOLVED: *that the White Paper be perused by members of the Documents Scrutiny Group who will report back to the next meeting of the Town Council.*

191. THE A494 TRUNK ROAD (WERNFECHAN, RUTHIN, DENBIGHSHIRE) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 201-

Members received details of the above Order.

RESOLVED: *to receive the details.*

192. ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENT

The Town Clerk submitted the Annual Risk Assessment.

RESOLVED: *to receive and confirm the Annual Risk Assessment.*

193. ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Town Clerk submitted the Annual Investment Strategy.

RESOLVED: *to receive and confirm the Annual investment Strategy.*

194. LIEUTENANT PHILIP HEBDON LECOMBER (KILLED IN ACTION 27 MARCH 1918)

Members received details of a commemorative service to be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, 27th March 2015 at Nantclwyd y Dre.

195. ST. DAVID’S DAY CONCERT – PORTHMYN CHOIR

Members received details of a St. David’s Day concert to be held at Nantclwyd y Dre on Sunday, 1st March 2015 at 2:00 p.m. in aid of the Mayor’s Charities.

196. CITTASLOW MOVEMENT

The Town Clerk submitted an e-mail from the Secretary of Rhuthun Civic Association concerning a meeting to discuss the above.

RESOLVED: to arrange a meeting in conjunction with the Rhuthun Civic Association at the Town Hall.

197. RHUTHUN SHOW SOCIETY

Members were asked to confirm payment of £5.00 as an individual subscription for Cllr June Derry, who is the Town Council’s representative on the above Organisation.

RESOLVED: to confirm payment of the Annual Subscription of £5.00 for Councillor June Derry.

198. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Town Clerk, as Responsible Financial Officer, submitted his Financial Statement for the period ending 31st January 2015.

RESOLVED: that the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

199. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following item was approved at the Committee meetings held on 2 February 2015.

690	Coya Marketing Ltd	Provision of Town Centre Co-ordinator		2.925.00
RESOLVED: that payment of the following accounts be authorised.				
D.D.	B.T.	Broadband service	*	65.76
691	Sandra Williams	Translation	*	90.00
692	Inland Revenue	Tax and National Insurance		163.20
693	Denbighshire County Council	Chairman’s Charity Dinner at St. Asaph Tickets x 2		60.00
694	Aerial Electrics Ltd	Christmas Lighting 2014	*	3,696.00
695	Rhuthun Show Society	Annual Subscription – Cllr. June Derry		5.00

(The items marked with an * above include recoverable V.A.T. of £621.96)

200. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: to confirm the next meeting of the Town Council as Monday, 23 March 2015.