

Minutes of the meeting of the **Amenities Committee** held at the
Town Hall, Wynnstay Road, Rhuthun on Monday, 10 June 2019 at 7:00p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Keiran Allsopp-Robson, Jim Bryan, Gavin Harris, Menna Jones, Anne Roberts, Dave Snape, Heather Williams and Emrys Wynne.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillor Gavin Harris was proposed and seconded as Chair of the Amenities Committee, and there were no other nominations.

RESOLVED: *unanimously that Councillor Harris be elected Chair of the Amenities Committee for the forthcoming civic year.*

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. AMENITIES COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members were requested to review the Amenities Committee Terms of Reference, and to adopt the final version. It was proposed that a sentence be added to reflect that the Amenities Committee co-ordinates and supports the Tidy Town Team, that the Terms of Reference be reviewed annually and a table added to note the date the Terms of Reference were adopted, reviewed and the date of the next review.

RESOLVED: *to update the Terms of Reference as outlined above, and to adopt the revised version.*

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: *that the minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 7 May 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.*

6. MATTERS ARISING

The Chair referred to the topographical survey which had been delayed due to bad weather and offered to contact Angle Surveys to ascertain when the survey would be completed.

7. QUOTATION FOR WATERING TREES

A quotation had been received from Llanfwrog CIC stating that the cost of watering the trees would be £10 per tree. There are a total of eight trees, and members wished for the newly planted trees to be watered weekly until the end of September.

RESOLVED: *to accept the quotation and instruct the contractor to undertake weekly watering of the newly planted trees until the end of September.*

8. CRANE AT ENTRANCE TO THE CRAFT CENTRE

Members were requested to consider comments regarding the condition of the crane. Councillor Emrys Wynne offered to contact Denbighshire County Council's Legal Department to ascertain ownership of the crane and to report back.

RESOLVED: *to ascertain ownership of the crane and consider the next steps once the information is received.*

9. REVIEW OF PUBLIC BENCHES IN RUTHIN

Members were asked to consider undertaking a review of the public benches in the town, based on the list provided by the Town Clerk. Members asked about the benches on the Cuning Green, and it was explained that they are in storage due to health and safety concerns about the wall alongside the Cuning Green footpath. The Chair suggested that he and the Clerk meet prior to the next Amenities Committee meeting to plot the benches on a map and to allocate an area to members to

photograph the benches in a particular area as a basis for the review.

RESOLVED: *that the Chair and Clerk undertake the mapping exercise prior to the next meeting and to discuss this further at the next meeting.*

10. REPAIRS TO TOWN COUNCIL'S R G JOYCE WALL CLOCK

Members were requested to consider a quotation from Smith's of Derby for repairing the pulley and replacing the weight cord and pulley on the wall clock. It was suggested that the repair be delayed until the Autumn and be carried out once the clock had been moved to the Old Courthouse.

RESOLVED: *to delay the repairs until the clock is in place at the Old Courthouse.*

11. TIDY TOWN TEAM

The Chair reported that the team had met on 8 June, concentrating on litter picking due to the wet weather. The next session will be on Friday, 21 June at 11am. Members referred to the weeds to the left of the entrance to Market Street car park, with a request to contact Denbighshire County Council regarding this.

RESOLVED: *to note the date of the next Tidy Town Team session and to contact Denbighshire County Council regarding the weeds at the left of the entrance to Market Street car park.*

12. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: *that the date of the next meeting will be Monday, 8 July 2019 at 7:00pm.*