

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of **RHUTHUN TOWN COUNCIL** held via Zoom video conferencing on Monday, 15 June 2020, at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Gavin Harris (Mayor), Heather Williams (Deputy Mayor)
Councillors Keiran Allsopp-Robson, Stephen Beach, Jim Bryan, Ken Hawkins,
John Wynne Hughes, Menna Jones, Ian Lewney, Robert Owen-Ellis,
Anne Roberts, Dave Snape, Mike Van Der Eik and Ifan Wyn.
County Councillor Emrys Wynne.

261. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the second virtual meeting of the Council. There were no apologies for absence.

262. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

263. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported that he had attended or been involved with the following events:

16.05 Ruthin Community Update Week 8 – filmed at the Old Courthouse
18.05 The Old Courthouse working group meeting
23.05 Ruthin Community Update Week 9 – filmed at the Old Courthouse
30.05 Ruthin Community Update Week 10– filmed at the Old Courthouse
01.06 The Old Courthouse working group meeting
Numerous Velodrome meetings via Zoom

264. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr. Heather Williams (Deputy Mayor)	Meeting regarding the Velodrome with consultants via Zoom, Denbighshire Destination Partnership meetings via Zoom and The Old Courthouse working group meetings via Zoom.
Cllr. Keiran Allsopp-Robson	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Stephen Beach	Telephone meeting with residents regarding tree maintenance issues.
Cllr. Jim Bryan	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Ken Hawkins	Nothing to report.
Cllr. John Wynne Hughes	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Menna Jones	Helping at the Food Bank every week, two days a week for the past month and Ysgol Pen Barras Governors meeting via Zoom.
Cllr. Ian Lewney	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Jabez Oakes	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Robert Owen-Ellis	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Anne Roberts	The Old Courthouse working group meetings via Zoom.
Cllr. Dave Snape	The Old Courthouse working group meetings.
Cllr. Mike Van Der Eik	Nothing to report.
Cllr. Ifan Wyn	Nothing to report.

265. RUTHIN COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Emrys Wynne submitted a report on behalf of the three Ruthin ward members.

266. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEETING

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2020 be confirmed as a correct record.

267. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

268. UPDATE ON THE OLD COURTHOUSE

Members were informed that the Old Courthouse working group had held a meeting prior to the Council meeting. The group is working on the volunteer structure, interpretation within the building and the website to prepare for when the facility can be opened to the public.

RESOLVED: to receive the update.

269. UPDATE REGARDING THE NORTH WALES VELODROME BID

The Mayor reported that he, the Deputy Mayor and the Clerk, along with Project Co-ordinator, Ruth Astbury, had been in meetings with the consultants, LK2, who had produced an initial draft report based on the work undertaken to date whilst observing lockdown regulations. This will now be redrafted to include an executive summary, the main body and appendices with additional details.

RESOLVED: to note the update regarding the progress to date.

270. UPDATE REGARDING ST. PETER'S SQUARE

The Mayor reported that funding is available from Welsh Government to introduce adjustments to pavements and road layouts to facilitate social distancing requirements to enable shops and businesses to reopen and a bid has been submitted to enable introducing a one-way system for Well Street and Market Street on a trial basis. Councillor Allsopp-Robson asked for consideration to be given to ease of access with regards to coach parking by the Old Courthouse when deciding on the one-way routes. A steering group has been established by Denbighshire County Council including the three Ruthin ward members. Councillor Emrys Wynne said that this would be considered.

RESOLVED: to receive the update.

271. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND DONATIONS

Members had received a report on the financial assistance and donations budget with the agenda. Members thanked the Clerk for preparing the report demonstrating the current budget available for financial requests.

RESOLVED: to receive the report.

272. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Members were requested to receive and approve the financial statement for the period ending 31 May 2020. The Clerk notified members that a payment of £1,476.00 had been received for the costs incurred in replacing the damaged Christmas tree, and confirmed that this represented the full amount.

RESOLVED: to receive and approve the financial statement for the period ending 31 May 2020.

273. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: that payment of the following items be approved.

From Ruthin Town Council's current account:

OB	JB Platform Hire Ltd	Hire of cherry picker with operator on 28	*	£624.00
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(online banking)		April and 21 May 2020	
DD	Public Works Loan Board	The Old Courthouse loan repayment – 24.06.2020	£3,515.42
OB	Llanfwrog CIC	Watering services and plant food – May 2020	£593.25
OB	IT Williams Co	Transport planters for hanging baskets	* £528.00
OB	HMRC	Income tax and National Insurance	£719.81
OB	Hill & Roberts	Accountancy and payroll services fee – June 2020	* £84.00
OB	Llanfwrog CIC	Grass cutting services – June 2020	£554.76
OB	Marian Rees	Translation service – May & June 2020	* £180.00
From Ruthin Town Council Old Courthouse account:			
OB	Scottish Power	Electricity at The Old Courthouse	* £256.04
OB	BT Business	Cloud Phone and telephone and broadband package	* £391.22

274. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: to confirm the date of the next ordinary meeting will be Monday, 13 July 2020 at 7pm.