

HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Holywell Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Bank Place Offices, Holywell on Tuesday 20 June 2006.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs. K. Davies (Mayor).

Councillors: P.J. Curtis, Mrs. R. Dolphin, Mrs. E. Humphreys, D.W. Jones, P. Jones, B.P. Lambert, G.I. Lloyd, J. Neen, E.B. Palmer, H.G. Roberts, R.A. Roberts, D.R. Wilkes, A.D. Williams and P.A. York.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors S.R. Baker and J. Griffiths.

IN ATTENDANCE: J.A. Jones (Clerk), M. Roberts (Town Centre Manager).

20. MAYOR'S REMARKS

The Mayor reported that the Good Companions of Holywell Hospital were holding their Annual Garden Fete on Saturday 1 July 2006 at Llusty but indicated that unfortunately she and the Deputy Mayor were unable to attend as they were scheduled to represent the council at the Proclamation Ceremony for the National Eisteddfod.

She had attended a concert organised by the Holywell and St. Gregoire Twinning Committee and also a fund raising concert organised by the Good Companions.

The Mayor had assisted the Mayor of Prestatyn in starting a charity walk from St. Winefride's Well to Prestatyn.

She had also attended the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Holywell Ramblers and congratulated them on their success.

21. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the proceedings of the following meetings be approved as a correct record:

Wales in Bloom Sub-Committee held on 4 May 2006.
Annual Council Meeting held on 16 May 2006 (subject to the inclusion of Mrs. E. Humphreys in the list of Members present).

22. PLANNING MATTERS

041123 Retrospective application to regularise amendments made to previously approved details – land south of 1 The Woodlands, Bryn Celyn, Holywell

No objections provided the proposal complied with planning policy.

041152 Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 22 No. apartments with associated works and parking – Gwenlllys, 1 Penymaes Road, Holywell

Objection to this application on the grounds of access which is onto a very busy road and which would be more or less opposite to an entrance to a supermarket. Additionally, it was considered that insufficient car parking spaces would be provided based on the 1½ spaces per that ratio. The site would be overdeveloped and the three storeys would have a detrimental impact particularly on the adjacent conservation area.

041313 Conversion into 9 No. flats – Marysvale Nursing Home, 42 Well Street, Holywell

Supported provided the proposal complied with Highways requirements and planning policy.

041315 Erection of 6 No. dwellings and a detached double garage with private parking to rear – Marysvale Nursing Home – land adjacent to 42 Well Street, Holywell

Objection to this application on the grounds of overdevelopment. Members were concerned with the increase of traffic onto Well Street.

041375 Erection of a conservatory at first floor level off balcony – 27 Sealand Avenue, Holywell

No objections provided the proposal complies with policy and there would be no detriment to the visual amenities of neighbouring properties.

041391 Erection of a two storey extension to rear – 24 Cross Roads, Holywell

Members noted that this application had already been approved. The Mayor expressed concern regarding the

timescale allowed for consultation with Town and Community Councils.

041441 Erection of a single storey extension to side – Fron Hyfryd Bungalow, Pen y Ball, Holywell

No objections.

041445 Erection of an extension to the rear to provide a conservatory with storage area beneath – 27 Penymaes Gardens, Holywell

No objections provided the proposal complies with planning policy.

041498 Outline – Erection of 20 No. two storey flats with associated parking – site formerly Greenfield School, School Lane, Greenfield.

No objections provided that the development was no taller than two storeys and car parking was off street and contained within the site. Additionally, Members suggested that the accommodation should be for residents over 50 and that the external walls and gates be retained.

041540 Erection of a small scale wind turbine to supply electricity to Kingspan Ltd Offices, Kingspan Ltd, Greenfield Business Park 2Ba, Greenfield

Supported.

041553 Erection of 4 No. dwellings – land side of 6 Rayon Road, Greenfield.

No objections provided there would be no encroachment whatsoever into the open countryside.

N.B. Councillors Mrs. K. Davies and P. York declared an interest in this application and left the room for the discussion and voting.

The Deputy Mayor took the Chair for this item.

041604 First floor extension over garage to create hobby room – Laburnum Lodge, Bagillt Road, Holywell.

Supported.

041485 Erection of a single storey extension – 23 Park Hall Road, Greenfield.

No objections provided there would be no detriment to the visual amenities of neighbouring properties.

04143 Conservation Area Consent – Erection of 6 No. dwellings with private parking to rear – Marysvale Nursing Home – land adjacent to 42 Well Street, Holywell

Objection to this application on the grounds of overdevelopment. Members were concerned with the increase of traffic into Well Street.

23. ACCOUNTS

23.1. Payments

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts be passed for payment:-

<u>Voucher</u>	£
3741 Gordon Stones – Maintenance – Council Offices	368.36****
3742 British Telecom plc – Internet Account 36292204	194.96****
3743 Ysgol Gwenffrwd – Donation – Wales in Bloom	50.00^^
3744 St. Winefride’s Primary School – Donation – Wales in Bloom	50.00^^
3745 Perth y Terfyn Infants School – Donation – Wales in Bloom	50.00^^
3746 Ysgol y Fron – Donation – Wales in Bloom	50.00^^
3747 Greenfield C.P. School – Donation – Wales in Bloom	50.00^^
3748 Mrs. M. Edwards – wages to 20/05/06	187.90***
3749 Wales in Bloom Foundation – Donation re Entry	30.00^^
3750 Moore & Son (Holywell) Ltd – Repairs – Central Heating	256.19****
3751 Moore & Son (Holywell) Ltd – Boiler Maintenance	64.63****
3752 Cllr Mrs. K. Davies – Travel, Subsistence and Attendance	199.49*
3753 C.M. Scott Jewellers – Engraving	12.50^
3754 Flintshire County Council – Printing	

	of Tourism Brochures	1,558.00^^
3755	ScottishPower – Electricity – Council Offices	490.12****
3756	Siemens Financial Services – Photocopier Rental	105.96****
3757	Viking Direct – Stationery	81.39^
3758	Impact Communications – Town Centre Management	1,300.00**
3759	Chubb Electronic Security Ltd – New Alarm System	2,156.69****
3760	Chubb Electronic Security Ltd – Annual Charge BT Redcare	92.18****
3761	British Gas Trading Ltd – Gas – Council Offices	633.85****
3762	North Wales Tourism – Leaflet Distribution	293.75^^
3763	Alpha Business Centre – Photocopier Maintenance	117.50****
3764	J.A. Jones – Salary – June	1,040.53***
3765	Inland Revenue – PAYE/Nat.Ins – June	643.04***
3766	Mrs. M. Reed – Secretarial Expenses – June	<u>39.00***</u>
		10,116.04

- * The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of
Community Councils) (Wales) Regulations 2003
- ** Local Government Act 1972 S.137
- *** Local Government Act 1972 S.112, 151
- **** Local Government Act 1972 S.133
- ^ Local Government Act 1972 S.111
- ^^ Local Government Act 1972 S.144, 145
- ^^^ Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 S.19
- ^^^^ Local Government Act 1972 S.143, 111
- *^ Local Government Act 1972 S.140, 111
- **^ Local Government Act 1972 S.176
- **^^ Local Government Act 1972 S.13
- *^^^ Local Government Act 1972 S.144, 145
- *^^* Local Government Act 1972 S. 34
- **^^* Local Government Act (Misc. Provisions) Act 1953
- ^^** Local Government Act 1972 S.174
- ^^^* Local Government & Rating Act 1972 S.30
- ^^*^ Local Government & Rating Act 1972 S.31

23.2. Income Received

Members received the statement of income circulated with the agenda.

24. TOWN CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT

Members received the Town Centre Manager's report for May and he responded to Members' queries regarding several issues including the position of the 7 empty shops, the Tesco store and the 999 day.

25. MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NORTH WALES REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Members were informed that the next meeting of the National Assembly North Wales Regional Committee would be held at the Welsh College of Horticulture, Northop on Friday 8 July 2006 at 10am. The theme of the meeting would be "Crime Prevention and Anti-Social Behaviour".

RESOLVED:

That Councillor B.P. Lambert be authorised to represent the Council at the meeting.

26. FLINTSHIRE LOCAL VOLUNTARY COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members considered an invitation to the Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Flintshire Local Voluntary Council scheduled to be held at Deeside College, Connah's Quay on Friday 7th July 2006 from 9.30am to 12 noon.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor G.I. Lloyd be authorised to represent the Council at the meeting.

27. UN LLAIS : ONE VOICE WALES

Members received an invitation to send an observer to the Annual General Meeting of the Wrexham/Flint Area Committee scheduled to be held at Mold on Monday 3rd July 2006.

28. PROPOSED TELECOMMUNICATIONS MAST – JUNCTION OF Ffordd ST. GREGOIRE AND PENYMAES ROAD

Members noted a response from the Communications Manager, O2 regarding a proposed telecommunications mast at the junction of Ffordd St. Gregoire and Penymaes Road.

RESOLVED:

That the letter be received and responses made following the receipt of a planning application.

29. CODE OF CONDUCT

An invitation had been received from the Monitoring Officer, Flintshire County Council inviting three Members and the Clerk to attend a meeting at County Hall, Mold on Thursday 6 July 2006 or Wednesday 12 July 2006 to discuss issues of general concern relating to the Code of Conduct.

RESOLVED:

That Councillors Mrs. E. Humphreys, D.R. Wilkes and A.D. Williams and the Clerk be authorised to attend the meeting on Thursday 6th July 2006.

30. CHARTER 88

Members received a copy of a letter circulated with the agenda, from the co-Director of Charter 88.

31. GREENFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Members considered e-mails received from the Village of Greenfield Residents' Association requesting a letter of support from the Town Council towards their proposal to lease the old canteen site in Greenfield with a view to creating a recreational area with a shelter for the young people of Greenfield.

Councillor D.R. Wilkes expressed concern regarding comments in the latest edition of Communities First Newsletter which contained incorrect regarding the land referred to and he advised Members accordingly.

RESOLVED:

That the proposal be supported, in principle.

32. TRAFFIC WARDEN FOR HOLYWELL

Councillor P.J. Curtis referred to the continuing problem of illegal car parking in Holywell and suggested that as the Police were not prepared to take action then the Town Council should consider employing a Traffic Warden. He suggested that the Clerk prepare a feasibility study for consideration by the Town Centre Sub-Committee who would then report back to full Council.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk prepares a feasibility study as requested by Councillor Curtis and report this to a future Town Centre Sub-committee for consideration.

33. SAFE ACCESS TO THE HIGH STREET

Councillor P.J. Curtis reported that he had received representations from various people and organisations including the High School, Tourist Board and Communities First regarding an increase of traffic onto Ffordd St. Gregoire following the development of the new foodstore in Holywell. He referred to a road plan formulated some years ago which would possibly have overcome the problem. He requested the Council to organise a meeting with the Highway Authority and one or two local organisations and the Town Council to discuss a plan for Ffordd St. Gregoire which would alleviate the traffic problem and make better access onto the High Street.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk arrange a meeting as suggested by Councillor Curtis.

34. CLWYD COMMUNITY CHEST

Members received a notification of the Annual General Meeting of the Clwyd Community Chest to be held at Bethesda Presbyterian Church, New Street, Mold on Thursday 7 July 2006 at 6.30pm.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That Councillor J. Griffiths be authorised to attend the meeting.
- (2) That the Council renew their membership and make a donation of £280 to the Clwyd Community Chest.

35. ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS IN WALES

RECEIVED:

That this matter be deferred to the July meeting of the Council.

36. ST. BEUNO'S WALK COMMITTEE

RESOLVED:

That Councillor S.R. Baker be authorised to represent the Council on the St. Beuno's Walk Committee.

37. HALKYN MOUNTAIN REGENERATION PROJECT

Members considered an invitation for two representatives to attend a meeting regarding the Halkyn Mountain Common Regeneration Project to be

held at Cadwyn Clwyd Offices, Ruthin on Wednesday 12 July 2006 at 6.00pm.

RESOLVED:

That Councillors Mrs. R. Dolphin and G.I. Lloyd be authorised to represent the Council at the meeting.

38. TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL SEMINAR ON LOCAL PLANNING GUIDANCE NOTES AND PLANNING CODE OF CONDUCT

Members considered an invitation for one Member and the Clerk to attend a seminar for all Town and Community Councils to discuss the Local Planning Notes and the new Planning Code of Practice to be held on Monday 10 July 2006 and Tuesday 11 July 2006.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor A.D. Williams and the Clerk be authorised to represent the Council at the seminar.

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Mayor