

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 18 December 2007.

PRESENT: Councillor D.R. Wilkes (Deputy Mayor) in the Chair.
Councillors: S.R. Baker, P.J. Curtis, Mrs. K. Davies, Mrs. R. Dolphin, J. Griffiths, Mrs. E. Humphreys, B.P. Lambert, G.I. Lloyd, J. Neen, H.G. Roberts, A.D. Williams and P.A. York.

AN APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE was received from Councillor E.B. Palmer (Mayor).

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

81. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on 20 November 2007 be approved as a correct record.

82. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

044049 Demolition of existing Church Hall, erection of 3 blocks of 6 apartments (18 total) and extension to existing dwelling – The Old Church Hall/The Close, Well Street, Holywell

Deferred.

043865 Erection of 2 No. flats – land side of Rayon Road, Greenfield

No objections provided the proposal complies with planning policy but concern be expressed regarding drainage flooding and that all parking should be off road.

NB Councillor P A York declared an interest in this application and left the room during the discussion and voting thereon.

- 044068 Erection of two storey side extension to form dining room and en-suite bedroom – 24 Maes y Dyffryn, Greenfield
- No objections provided the proposal complies with planning policy.**
- 044123 Conversion to two flats with addition of door to side of building – Hughes Parry Partnership, Solicitors, County Court Place, Holywell
- Already approved.**
- 044126 Erection of timber stables and formation of ménage – Longchase Farm, Sundawn Avenue, Holywell
- Supported provided the proposal is for personal use and not commercial**
- 044135 Erection of a met mast – Kingspan Ltd, Greenfield Business Park 2 BA, Greenfield
- Supported.**
- 044208 Alterations to proposed garage – Sunbank, Brownsway, The Strand, Holywell.
- Supported.**
- 044214 Erection of 2 No. bungalows – land at Canton Court, Greenfield
- Objection on the grounds that the land is not suitable for development as it is on a dangerous corner adjacent to very busy roads; overdevelopment; insufficient car parking space and space around dwellings; and possible drainage problems.**
- 044223 Demolition of existing flat roof garage and the construction of new pitched roof garage – 33 Tan y Bryn, Greenfield
- Already refused.**
- 044225 To park and operate one only chauffeur/private hire vehicle – Abbey Lodge, Greenfield Road, Greenfield.
- No objections but request that if approved permission be temporary for a period of 12 months when it will be reviewed.**

- 044245 Erection of various illuminated and non-illuminated signage on the building and around the car park – Tesco, Ffordd St. Gregoire, Holywell
- No objections provided Conservation Officers are happy with the proposal.**
- 044227 Retrospective application for the erection of industrial buildings – R.J. Jones Haulage, Dock Road, Greenfield.
- Deferred pending the receipt of further information.**
- 044254 Installation of a replacement ATM cashpoint machine – Barclays Bank plc, 48 High Street, Holywell
- Supported.**
- 044273 Rebuild 11kV overhead line – Springhill Farm, Greenfield Road, Holywell
- No objections.**
- 044292 Installation of a new shop front – Curl up and Dye, 4 Victoria Square, Holywell
- Supported.**

83. ACCOUNTS

83.1. Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts be passed for payment:-

Voucher

4047	J.A. Jones – Telephone	28.51 [^]
4048	ScottishPower – Electricity – Council Offices	80..30****
4049	Perth y Terfyn Infants School – Calendar and Staging	50.00**
4050	BT Payment Services Ltd – 03629 2204	123.33****
4051	St. James Parish Church – Erection etc of Floral Displays	450.00*^^
4052	Greenfield Senior Citizens Club – Donation	250.00**
4053	British Gas Business – Gas –	

	Council Offices	206.64****
4054	Mrs. M. Edwards – Wages to 24/11/07	180.96***
4055	NWN Media Ltd – Christmas Lights Advert	159.80^^
4056	Infotone Imaging Supplies Ltd – Stationery	119.20^
4057	Impact Communications – Town Centre Management	1,300.00**
4058	Mrs. M. Reed – Secretarial Expenses – December	39.00***
4059	J.A. Jones – Salary – December	1,069.76***
4060	Inland Revenue – PAYE/Nat. Ins. December	<u>661.43</u> ***
		4,718.93

Powers to make payments:-

- * 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.34
- **^^* Local Government (Misc. Provisions) Act 1953
- ^^** Local Government Act 1972 S174
- ^^^* Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 S19
- # Local Government Act 1972 S.142

83.2. Income Received

Members received a schedule of income, circulated with the agenda.

84. TOWN CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT

Members received the Town Centre Manager's Report circulated with the agenda and the Town Centre Manager responded to Members' queries regarding the Christmas activities, football etc.

Councillor D.R. Wilkes, Chairman of the Town Centre Sub-Committee advised that there were plans to substantially upgrade the Christmas lights and he would be calling a meeting of the Sub-Committee early in the New Year to progress the matter.

85. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE – LETTER FROM BRYNFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Members considered a letter from Brynford Community Centre, circulated with the agenda, requesting the Town Council's support regarding works required on Brynford Hill slip road to Old Chester Road and stones falling onto the highway near Stamford Farm.

Councillor H.G. Roberts, as the local County Councillor, indicated that he would pursue these matters with the appropriate Flintshire County Council department.

86. CAR PARKING – PEN-Y-BALL STREET

Councillor G.I. Lloyd referred to the congestion problems in Pen-y-Ball Street mainly caused by indiscriminate car parking.

He requested that the Council write to Flintshire County Council requesting that the very wide pavement on this road up to North Road be developed into restricted car parking spaces.

Councillor A.D. Williams again referred to the continuing problems of cars parked on the pavement obstructing prams/wheelchairs etc and advised that he had spoken to the Traffic Warden regarding his concern. Councillor P.J. Curtis supported Councillor Williams and expressed concern regarding the Traffic Warden booking people parking adjacent to the schools in Whitford Street.

The Clerk reminded Members of the areas they had requested the Traffic Warden to monitor and that the Traffic Warden reported directly to him and he had not been made aware of any problems.

The Chairman of the Town Centre Sub-Committee, Councillor D.R. Wilkes, confirmed the Traffic Warden's duties which could be reviewed, if necessary, but added that the Town Council were totally in control of the Traffic Warden.

Members agreed that there was a problem in Pen-y-Ball Street which needed addressing.

Councillor P.J. Curtis indicated that he would submit a request for the development of car parking spaces in Pen-y-Ball Street to Flintshire County Council for next year's capital programme.

RESOLVED:

That the Town Centre Sub-Committee discuss the Traffic Warden's duties at the next Town Centre Sub-Committee.

87. PROPOSED PUFFIN PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT A5026 INNER RING ROAD (RUE ST. GREGOIRE), HOLYWELL

Members considered correspondence from the County Legal and Democratic Services Officer inviting the Council's observations on the proposed puffin pedestrian crossing linking Station Road to the High Street, Tesco, Strand etc.

RESOLVED:

That the proposal be welcomed.

88. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED:

That in view of the confidential nature of the matter to be discussed, press and public be excluded for agenda item No. 10 – Applications for Financial Assistance.

89. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Members considered applications for financial assistance from the Good Companions of Holywell Hospital and the Flintshire Radio Link Scheme.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That a donation of £1000 be made to the Good Companions of Holywell Hospital for the development of a garden for the use of patients at the new Holywell Community Hospital.
- (2) That the application from the Radio Link Scheme be received.

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Mayor