

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 16th January 2007.

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

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors E.B. Palmer and R.A. Roberts.

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

101. MAYOR'S REMARKS

The Mayor congratulated Councillor A.D. Williams on the birth of his new granddaughter, born on the same day as her own grandchild.

She was pleased to see the progress on the new Lidl supermarket and looked forward to the start of the Tesco development.

The Mayor expressed annoyance at the comments of Eleanor Burnham AM in the local press criticising Lidl and Tesco coming to the town and she advised Members that the Town Centre Manager had responded to the comments.

102. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Council held on 19th December 2006 be approved as a correct record.

103. PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Applications

042369 Outline – Erection of a dwelling – The Arches, Strand Walk, Holywell

Objection to this application on the grounds of access and concerns that it would lead to overdevelopment of the site and unacceptable tandem development.

- 042458 Erection of a single storey side extension – 14 The Ridgeway, Holywell
- No observations.**
- 042466 Erection of 5 No. nursery industrial units – Flintshire Car Sales, Bagillt Road, Greenfield
- No objections providing the industrial units would be appropriate.**
- 042499 Outline – Residential Development – former Kwik Save Group plc, Coleshill Street, Holywell
- Members would prefer the site retained for commercial use and to be developed with small retail units and hoped that Flintshire County Council would support this view as it is the only area of land near the town centre which could be used for such purpose. If the only alternative is housing then Members would support affordable housing.**
- 042559 Erection of a two storey side extension – 8 Fron Las, Holywell
- Objection on the grounds that it would have an overbearing impact on adjacent properties and could lead to unacceptable terracing development by setting a precedent.**
- NB Councillor S.R. Baker left the room during this item and took no part in the discussion or voting.**
- 042605 Garage extension – 7 Coed y Fron, Holywell
- No objections.**
- 042616 Single storey side extension to form study and kitchen extension and detached garage – 1 Bryn Teg, Penymaes, Holywell
- No objections to the extension but have reservations regarding the detached garage and drive impacting on the highway.**
- 042634 Demolition of existing property and replacement with 22 No. apartments with ancillary parking and associated works – Gwenllys, 1 Penymaes Road, Holywell.
- Objection to this application on the grounds previously identified i.e. highway danger, impact on neighbouring properties and conservation area.**

042653 Demolition of existing Church Hall and construction of 3 blocks of six apartments and extension to existing dwellings – The Old Church Hall, 1 Well Street, Holywell

Welcomed.

104. ACCOUNTS

104.1. Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts be passed for payment:-

<u>Voucher</u>	£
3865 Festival Firework Display – Christmas Lights	562.00^^
3866 AVG UK – Upgrading of computer Software	29.30^
3867 Ysbyty Glan Clwyd Hospital Radio – Street Entertainment	50.00^^
3868 North Wales Association of Town Councils – Subsistence	40.00*
3969 Mrs. M. Edwards – Wages to 30/12/06	185.44***
3870 Medwyn Roberts – Engraving works	9.30^^
3871 Impact Communications – Town Centre Management	1,300.00**
3872 Mrs. M. Reed – Secretarial Expenses – January	39.00***
3873 J.A. Jones – Salary – January	1,040.57***
3874 Inland Revenue – PAYE/Nat Ins – January	642.60***
3875 Zurich Insurance Company – Annual Insurance Premium	326.91*^
3876 Zurich Insurance Company – Annual Insurance Premium	<u>1,695.67*^</u>
	5,920.79

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.

104.2. Income Received

Members received the schedule of income circulated with the agenda.

104.3. Finance Committee

Members were informed that the Finance Committee would be held on Tuesday 6th February 2007.

105. TOWN CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT – DECEMBER

Members received the Town Centre Manager's report for December and the Town Centre Manager responded to queries regarding the ex-Jim Williams shop, the Hotel Victoria, the ex-Thrifty shop and the Farmers Market.

106. NORTH WALES POLICE – POLICING PARTNERSHIP WORKING MEETING

Members considered an invitation from Inspector Neil Maxwell to the first meeting of the Police Partnership Working Meeting scheduled to be held at Flint Town Hall on Wednesday 24th July 2007 at 7pm. Inspector Maxwell indicated that he intended to hold the meetings on a quarterly basis to discuss partnership working and update Council representatives with policing issues.

RESOLVED:

That Councillors B.P. Lambert and A.D. Williams be authorised to represent the Council at the meetings.

107. THE WELSH LANGUAGE PROFILE OF DEESIDE

Members considered an invitation from Bwrdd yr Iaith Cymraeg – Welsh Language Board to an open evening 'The Welsh Language Profile of Deeside' to discuss a wide range of matters of interest to the Welsh Language in the area. The meeting was being held at 6pm on Thursday 25th January

2007 at the Stamford Gate Hotel, Holywell and would include a presentation on the state of the language in the area followed by a discussion forum.

The Board would also be holding a formal meeting at the Pavilion Theatre, Rhyl at 9.30am on Friday 26th January 2007.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Mrs. Eirlys Humphreys be authorised to represent the Council at the meetings.

108. ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR WALES

Members were advised that a copy of the Local Government and Public Services Committee's final report of its scrutiny project on 'Electoral Arrangements for Wales' had been received and was available, for perusal, from the Clerk.

109. COUNCILLOR R.A. ROBERTS

The Mayor referred to the recent illness of Councillor R.A. Roberts and wished him a full and speedy recovery and in view of his illness an extended absence was approved.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk write to Councillor Roberts wishing him a full and speedy recovery.

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Mayor