

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 15 November 2005.

PRESENT: Councillor G.I. Lloyd (Mayor).

Councillors: S.R. Baker, Mrs. K. Davies, Mrs. R. Dolphin, J. Griffiths, P. Jones, J. Neen, H.G. Roberts, R.A. Roberts, D.R. Wilkes, A.D. Williams and P.A. York.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors P.J. Curtis, Mrs. E. Humphreys, B.P. Lambert, E.B. Palmer.

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

76. POLICE MATTERS

The Mayor welcomed Inspector Neil Maxwell to his first meeting with the Council following his appointment to replace Inspector Phil Hare.

Inspector Maxwell advised Members of his careers to date and indicated that he hoped to be in Holywell for five years. He advised that he preferred to solve problems through partnership with organisations such as the Town Council.

Inspector Maxwell responded to several issues raised by Members including Community Beat Managers, Public Community Safety Officers, road traffic order on Holywell High Street etc.

The Mayor thanked Inspector Maxwell for attending the meeting, addressing Members' queries and hoped that his period of duty in Holywell would be a long one.

77. MAYOR'S REMARKS

The Mayor reported that he had attended the following functions:-

- Civic Sunday – Prestatyn Town Council.
- Dyserth Community Centre for the introduction of a new Minister for Tabernacle.
- Remembrance Sunday Service at St. James Parish Church.

He presented the Council with the latest edition of the bound press cuttings provided by the Town Centre Manager.

RESOLVED:

That the Holywell Band be thanked for their involvement in the Remembrance Sunday Service and an appropriate letter be sent.

78. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Council held on 18 October 2005 be approved as a correct record.

79 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

040305 Reserved Matters Application – Erection of an agricultural worker's dwelling – Hillside Farm, Pen y Ball, Holywell.

Supported.

040330 Erection of a single storey extension – The Old Coach House, Penymaes Road, Holywell

Supported.

040370 Demolition of existing public house and erection of 10 No. dwellings consisting of 5 x 2 semi-detached dwellings – Calcot Arms, Milwr Road, Holywell

Objection to this application on the grounds of overdevelopment, unsuitable design, highway danger, insufficient car parking provision and unacceptable impact on neighbouring properties.

040381 Change of use from A1 to A3 to form a Coffee Shop – 5-6 Tower Gardens, Holywell

Supported.

040406 Erection of a two storey extension to the front – 23 Rhoslan, Penymaes, Holywell

Supported.

040487 Extension to existing waste management site for the treatment and storage of soil conditioners and construction and demolition waste – Civic Amenity Site, Greenfield Business Park, Greenfield.

Supported.

040491 Erection of advertisement signs – Red Lion (Public House),
28 High Street, Holywell.

Welcomed.

80. ACCOUNTS

80.1. Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts be passed for payment:-

<u>Voucher</u>	<u>£</u>
3619 British Telecommunications – 711202	179.23****
3620 British Telecommunications – 711757	123.83****
3621 British Telecommunications – 710835	59.98****
3622 C.M. Scott – Trophy & Engraving	22.20^^
3623 Cllr. A.D. Williams – Travel, Subsistence and Attendance	98.90*
3624 Cllr. Mrs. K. Davies – Travel, Subsistence and Attendance	98.90*
3625 J.A. Jones – Conference Expenses	98.90***
3626 Mrs. M. Edwards – Wages to 15/10/05	214.79***
3627 Strand Tenants & Residents Association – Donation	100.00**
3628 J.A. Jones – Salary – November	982.66***
3629 Inland Revenue – PAYE/Nat Ins November	628.93***
3630 Mrs. M. Reed – Secretarial Expenses – November	39.00***
3631 Impact Communications – Town Centre Management	1,300.00**
3632 Impact Communications – Holywell Business News	500.00**
3633 W. Bevan & Sons Ltd. – Cleaning Materials	32.23****
3634 Cllr. D.R. Wilkes – Attendance Allowance	32.46*
3635 North Wales Tourism Ltd – Leaflet Distribution	<u>224.72^^</u>
	4,736.73

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.144, 145
- *^^* Local Government Act 1972 S.34
- **^^* Local Government Act (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953
- ^^** Local Government Act 1972 S.174

80.2. Income Received

RESOLVED:

That the details of income circulated with the agenda, be received.

81. TOWN CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT – OCTOBER

Members received the Town Centre Manager's Report for October which had been circulated with the agenda.

Councillor D.R. Wilkes, Chairman of the Town Centre Sub-Committee advised that a meeting was being arranged with representatives of Tesco to discuss ways in which Tesco can help the town.

82. COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS

82.1. Correspondence from the Community Health Council Regarding Confirmation of Areas

RESOLVED:

That the correspondence be received.

82.2. New Members

Members considered correspondence from the Community Health Council requesting the Council to publicise the need for new Members to serve on the Health Council.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor R.A. Roberts be nominated to serve on the Community Health Council.

83. REVIEW OF LOCAL SERVICE DELIVERY IN WALES – OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE

Members received correspondence from the Welsh Assembly Government advising that Sir Jeremy Beacham, Vice-Chairman of the Local Government Association in England had been asked to examine the arrangements for local service delivery in Wales.

84. MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NORTH WALES REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Members were advised that the next meeting of the National Assembly North Wales Regional Committee would be held at the Galeri, Victoria Dock, Caernarfon on Friday 18th November 2005 from 10am to 12.30pm.

85. LICENCES

Members received a notice of change of licence at the Cross Foxes, Brynford Street, Holywell.

86 BOLLARDS – HIGH STREET, HOLYWELL

The Mayor expressed concern regarding the amount of traffic in the High Street during the period of closure i.e. between 9.30am and 4.30pm and advised that members of the public had been complaining to him.

Councillors A.D. Williams, Mrs. K. Davies and P. York referred to very dangerous incidents which they had witnessed in the High Street involving cars which were in the street illegally.

Members indicated that there had been problems with the automatic bollards in Cross Street but drivers were accessing the street from Victoria Square by illegally entering and travelling the wrong way down the street.

Members were reminded that when discussions were taking place regarding the automatic bollards, Flintshire County Council Officers were informed that there would be a problem if there were no bollards at Victoria Square.

Mr. Derek Kirby had indicated that the police should take appropriate action but should there be a problem he would look at it again.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the Clerk write to Flintshire County Council to enquire whether there was evidence on CCTV of the specific incidents referred to and ask police to take appropriate action.
- (2) That the Clerk write to Flintshire County Council expressing concern that the bollards in Cross Street were often not working and requesting them to look again at the Victoria Square area.

87. PROVISION OF BUS SHELTER - HOLWAY

The Mayor referred to the need for a bus shelter at the bottom of Moor Lane, Holywell which was a well used bus stop for the local bus.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the provision of a bus shelter be agreed, in principle, and the Clerk obtain costings and discuss a suitable site with Flintshire County Council.
- (2) That local people be requested to determine a suitable location.

88. GARAGE – 3 WELL STREET, HOLYWELL

The Clerk advised that a letter had been received from the Housing Estates Manager advising that due to the current demand for garages in Well Street there was a need to formalise the use of the garage at 3 Well Street by signing a tenancy agreement.

Members were reminded that the garage was used to store the Council's Christmas displays and lights. The current weekly rent for the use of the garage was £2.40 plus VAT (£2.82).

RESOLVED:

That the Council agree to sign a tenancy agreement and pay the appropriate weekly rent.

89. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED:

That in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, public and press be excluded for item number 11 – Applications for Financial Assistance.

90. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Members considered applications for financial assistance from Holywell Autumn Club and Holway Over 50s Club towards their Christmas activities and Flintshire Citizens Advice Bureau towards their running costs.

RESOLVED:

That the following donations be made:

	£
Holywell Autumn Club	250
Flintshire Citizens Advice Bureau	1,000
Holway Over 50s Club	200

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Mayor