

# **DOLGELLAU TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Dolgellau Town Council held on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at the Free Library, Dolgellau at 7.00 p.m.

**PRESENNOL:** Councillor Delwyn Evans – Mayor  
Councillor Nia Williams – Deputy Mayor  
Councillors John Cadwaladr; John Raghoobar; Jo Checkley; Ray Stubbs;  
Dyfrig Siencyn; Ywain Myfyr; Bob Gunton; Branwen Rhys Dafydd and Sion Edwards

Mr Rhys Williams – Clerk

**C17.2019/2020 APOLOGIES**  
Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Heilyn Williams and Linda Morgan.

**C18.2019/2020 DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST PERTAINING TO ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE MEETING**  
No declarations received

**C19.2019/2020 TO ACCEPT AND CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MAY 7, 2019, AND THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON MAY 14, 2019**

The above minutes were accepted and confirmed on condition of the following changes:

i) C10.2019/2020 Declaration of personal interest:

Name	Item	Reason
John Raghoobar	NP5/57/930A	Family member working in the building

ii) C14.2019/2020.2b) Report from Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn

Meeting of Wales Office (not Wales Rural Forum)

**C20.2019/2020 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

1. **C12.2019/2020.1 20 mph Speed Restriction**  
**Presented:** Feedback from Councillor John Cadwaladr that Meirion Dwyfor College are currently discussing this matter with Gwynedd Council.  
**Resolved:** To keep an eye on the matter.

2. **C12.2019/2020.4 Llyn Penmaen Memorial**  
**Presented:** Feedback from Councillor Jo Checkley explaining that when a further service / event is arranged to present a new memorial the following will be in place:

- i) Llyn Penmaen bridge will be closed for the duration of the service.
- ii) The George the Third Hotel will provide light refreshments.

**Resolved:** Accept the information with thanks.

3. **C6.2019/2020 Annual Meeting – Arrangements for the Council's specific sub-committees.**

Following discussion on the matters, the following arrangements were agreed:

- a) Free Library Workgroup – to meet once the revised plans for the internal work for a lift are available from Rhys Davies, the Architect.
- b) Projects sub-committee – to meet on 11/6/19 at 7 p.m. at the Free Library. Priority to be given to arranging the 2019/2020 Christmas lights. The Clerk to try and get the contact details for the electrician used by Barmouth Council.

**C21.2019/2020 FINANCIAL SITUATION AND FEEDBACK FROM THE COUNCIL'S 2018/2019 INTERNAL AUDIT**

The financial situation was received from the Clerk and the results of the above internal audit from Gwynedd Council's Internal Audit were accepted and confirmed. The Clerk thanked the Audit Officers for their work this year.

**C22.2019/2020 SESSION FOR SHARING INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

**1. Reports from Town Council Members**

- a) **Councillor John Cadwaladr** – meeting tonight of Meirion Dwyfor College Council. Request for 20 mph speed restriction is being discussed with Gwynedd Council.
- b) **Councillor John Raghoobar** – preparatory work ongoing with NRW for work to adapt the Park's wall. Overgrowth by Mervinian House needs attention.  
**Resolved:** For the Clerk to enquire who has responsibility.
- c) **Councillor Bob Gunton** – the use of the Council's Welsh website is currently on the rise.
- ch) **Councillor Ray Stubbs** – recent meeting of the Meirionnydd Access Group at Abergynolwyn. Electric vehicle project being discussed.
- d) **Councillor Jo Checkley** – a lot of talk locally about a £10,000 grant for a new bus exchange.  
**Resolved:** For Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn to find out more about this.  
The work of THI Scheme Partnership is going well. Third historical book about the town is being planned.  
Is Gwynedd Council looking at provision of electricity charging points for electric cars? Confirmed Gwynedd Council is now looking into this.  
Attended annual meeting of One Voice Wales Area Committee – an officer from CCG gave a speech. Confirmed that in the future they will make efforts to make more use of local builders.  
Explained that the ex-Councillor Mr Ali is offering £1,000 for 2 new public seats.  
**Resolved:** To accept the offer with thanks. Locations to be discussed.
- dd) **Councillor Sion Edwards** – recent Darts competition and preparatory work for 2019 Sesiwn Fawr.
- e) Councillor Ywain Myfyr – in the near future the Wool Heritage Group will meet the author of the Leaflet 'O wllân i sigwr'. Multi-use plastic glasses to be used during this year's Sesiwn Fawr to reduce the amount of plastic waste.
- f) **Councillor Branwen Rhys Dafydd** – meeting of the Free Library workgroup.

The reports were received with thanks.

## **2. Reports from Local Gwynedd Councillors**

### **a) Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn.**

Is now the Chair of the North Wales Ambition Board

Recent 'Gwynedd Business week' event

Recent meeting with the Language Commissioner

Recent meeting of Wales Local Government Association Finance sub-committee – noted a better relationship with Wales Government.

However, financial forecast not good as there won't be an expenditure review until Brexit has been resolved.

Meeting of Gwynedd Council Cabinet today, where a future further budget was confirmed for Support Services / Dementia Care.

Scheme for transforming the Occupational Therapy Service is also being produced.

## **C23.2019/2020 CORRESPONDENCE**

For information, the following correspondence was received:

1. Licence application for 'Gwyndy' Heol y Bont.
2. June 2019 Programme of works – Highways Service.
3. Snowdonia National Park – public consultation – planning guidance draft attached – Visitor Accommodation.