



CONNAH'S QUAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held in Person and Hybrid - Wednesday 1 November

Present: (Attendance Register)

Councillor A. Manship (Chair) presiding

Councillors, D. Addaway, J. B. Attridge, L. Attridge, W. Catterall, B. Crease, A. Dunbobbin, E. S. Faulkner, G. A. Faulkner, E. Loughnane, R. Mansell, D. Richardson, P. Shotton, I. R. Smith & A. S. Wren.

Mrs S. Wilson (Clerk)

Mrs H. M. Goldsmith (Administrative Officer)

119. NOTICE OF MEETING

The notice of meeting was received.

120. APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillors A. R. Owen, D. Owen, A. Hughes & A. I. Dunbar.

121. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor A. S. Wren declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in Item 18 – National Allotment Society.

Councillor B. Crease declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in Item 18 – National Allotment Society.

All Councillors declared a Personal Interest in Item 19 – IRPW 23/24 – Determination 44 & 45.

Councillor A. Dunbobbin declared a Personal Interest in Item 5 – Police Consultative Arrangements.

Councillor D. Richardson declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Item 11 – Forthcoming Planning Application for a Dog Exercise Facility.

122. COMMITTEE REPORTS ETC

(a) Policy & Resources Committee – 3 October 2023

(b) Consultative Meeting – 4 October 2023

(c) Planning Meeting – 4 October 2023

(d) Finance & General Purposes Committee – 4 October 2023



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(e) Recreation & Entertainments Committee – 4 October 2023

(f) Recreation & Entertainments Committee – Part 2 – 4 October 2023

(g) Declaration of Interest – 4 October 2023

RECOMMENDED:

That reports (a), (b), (c), (e), (f) and (g) be approved and adopted as a correct and accurate record.

Subject to report (d) item 104 Standards Committee be amended to item 111a this be approved and adopted as a correct and accurate record.

123. POLICE CONSULTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

The Chair welcomed PCSO Owen Prentice.

PCSO Prentice gave a presentation on “We Don’t Buy Crime” and distributed an information leaflet to all members.

PCSO Prentice explained the principle objectives:

1. Crime Prevention
2. Supporting Victims
3. Community Chesion
4. Tackling ASB
5. Efficient & Effective Service Delivery

The six Unique Pillar Workstreams:

1. Victims of Crime
2. Supporting Local Businesses
3. Safer Neighbourhoods
4. Undercover Work
5. Fuel Stations
6. Recognising the Signs of Crime

He then explained about the Support Pack, Prevention Pack and Rural Prevention Pack.

Members asked the following questions:

- Does every residential burglary get a pack whether it is the property or outbuildings that have been broken into.



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PCSO Prentice stated that they receive a pack whether the burglary took place inside or outside of the property.

- Would it be beneficial for second hand/Pawn shop owners to check any goods received to see if they have been stolen before selling.

PCSO Prentice stated that all shop owners will receive a pack to enable them to check all goods received.

- Councillor Faulkner stated that Flintshire Neighbourhood watch gave out Smart Water & UV pens in the post.

PCSO Prentice explained that due to the financial backing now available "We Don't Buy Crime" will be rolled out on mass.

The chair thanked PCSO Prentice for the presentation and his attendance.

124. CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL UPDATE

The Chair advised Members that he had had a quiet month. He had visited all the primary schools presenting the Commemorative Plaques. He attended Golftyn Primary School for their Government meeting and also the official opening of Caafi Naffi.

RECOMMENDED:

That the verbal update be received.

125. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK

Members of the Public are invited to address the Council on any item that appears on the Agenda.

The Chair has the discretion to limit the time on each item depending on the issue and the number of people wanting to speak.

RECOMMENDED:

Council agreed for a press release to be issued prior to next months meeting informing the public that they will be able to address the Council on any Agenda items. This is also to be publicised through Social Media.



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PLANNING COMMITTEE – 01/11/23

Councillor A. S. Wren (Chair) presiding

126. MINUTES

The Minutes of Meeting held 4 October were received and approved as correct records and signed by the Chair.

127. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING DECISIONS

The Clerk submitted notification of planning decisions for the month of September 2023 (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

RECOMMENDED:

That this be received.

128. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

South Ward

FUL/000894/23 – 68 Uplands Avenue, Connah's Quay CH5 4LG

Proposed erection of a two storey rear extension.

RECOMMENDED:

All Councillors voted and were in favour of this application and have no objectives provided it follows planning policy.

Central Ward

FUL/000929/23 – 173 High Street, Connah's Quay, CH5 4DQ

Proposed change of use of 173 High Street from a redundant three bedroomed mid-terrace property into 2 x one bedroom self-contained flats.



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RECOMMENDED:

Councillors voted for this application. 2 Councillors voted against, 13 Councillors voted in favour and have no objections provided it follows planning policy.

Councillor Richardson left before the next agenda item and returned after discussions had concluded.

129. FORTHCOMING PLANNING APPLICATION FOR A DOG EXERCISE FACILITY

The Clerk submitted an email from John Hall, Concept Town Planning Ltd in reference to the proposed forthcoming planning application (Copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

The proposed area for the facility is on land off Mold Road opposite Bryn Gwyn Lane.

Councillor A. Wren had visited a Dog Exercise Facility in Cheshire and it worked really well with appointment times booked. This enabled one or two cars being present at any one time.

Councillor J. B. Attridge welcomed the proposal as there are currently no areas for dog exercising in or around Connah's Quay.

RECOMMENDED:

That the email be received.

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FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – 01/11/23

Councillor B. Crease (Chair) presiding



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130. MINUTES

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131. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Clerk submitted the below reports (copies forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda and report available on the night):-

- (a) Summary of Income/Expenditure by Budget Heading – September 2023
- (b) Cash & Investment Reconciliation – September 2023
- (c) Statement of Imprest Account – September 2023
- (d) List of payments General Account – October 2023 – Amended Copy
- (e) List payments General Account – November 2023 (to follow)

RECOMMENDED:

All were in favour that reports (a), (b) be agreed.

That report (c) imprest account September be £4,810.92 be agreed. That report (d) General Account (amended copy) October be £30,260.40 be agreed and report (e) that delegated authority be given to the Chair of Finance & General Purposes to authorise payment of the accounts for the month of November and a copy be available to Council at the next meeting.

132. AURA WALES – FIT, FED AND READ COMMUNITY PROGRAMME

The Clerk submitted a letter dated 16 October from Kate Leonard, Senior Manager for Libraries regarding the Fit, Fed and Read Community Programme (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

The Programme is a truly multi-agency scheme with a wide range of Public Sector partners tackling issues such as health inequalities, food poverty, community cohesion, literacy levels and physical and mental well-being. The programme was a great success working in partnership in Connaught's Quay with Quay Play. To enable this programme to operate in the summer 2024, Aura Wales are seeking financial support from Town & Community Councils with a donation of £1000.00

RECOMMENDED:

Councillors agreed to the £1,000.00 contribution



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133. CONNAH'S QUAY AND SHOTTON INTERSERVICES COMMITTEE

The Clerk submitted an invitation to the Annual Service of Remembrance in November (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

Members requested that a letter be sent to Interservices to clarify the dates and times of the services.

RECOMMENDED:

That the invitation be received and that the Clerk writes to Interservices to clarify dates and inform members via email.

134. BRITISH NORMANDY APPEAL

The Clerk an email from Mavis Williams regarding the Wreath laid on British Normandy Memorial on 30th September (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

Council thanked the Clerk for arranging this but were not aware of this happening and stated it should have been promoted on social media.

RECOMMENDED:

That the email be received.

135. FESTIVE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS 2023

The Clerk submitted a report for Council to consider arrangements for all sites over the festive period (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

In order to effectively plan for the festive period 2022/23 a decision was therefore required from Council about staffing arrangements during the festive period.

RECOMMENDED:

That the report be received.

Members agreed Option 1 – Close each venue (unless there is a current booking or new booking received) for the period from close of business on Friday 22nd December and reopen at the normal opening time on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.



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Councillors B. Crease and A. Wren left before the next agenda item and returned after discussion had concluded.

136. THE NATIONAL ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

The Clerk submitted membership renewal for 2023/24 (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

RECOMMENDED:

That the membership be received and renewed.

137. IRPW 23/24 – DETERMINATION 44 & 45

The Clerk submitted a form for completion by Councillors (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

The Clerk stated that the form be completed and returned by the end of January for payment to be made in February 2024.

RECOMMENDED:

That the form be received.

138. COUNCILLORS TRAINING PROGRAMME

The Clerk submitted a list of training programmes for Community Town Councils to attend courses run by One Voice Wales (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

RECOMMENDED:

That the programme be received.

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RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE – 01/11/23

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140. FLINTSHIRE PLAY DEVELOPMENT SUMMER PLAYScheme 2023

The Clerk submitted a report from Darren Morris, Lead Officer, Play Development, Flintshire County Council regarding Quayplay in the summer 2023 (copy forwarded to Councillors with the Agenda).

The report detailed the attendances of children over the 6 week period. The total attendance being 2396 children. The report stated how successful Quayplay at Central Park was again this year and how the children enjoyed different events and activities throughout the 6 week period.

Members welcomed the report and asked the Clerk to write to Darren Morris, Play Development to thank him and his team for an outstanding successful Quayplay.

RECOMMENDED:

That the report be received and that the Clerk writes to Darren Morris inviting him to a Council Meeting to explain to Council about any proposals for all year round provision from Flintshire Play Development Scheme.

141. WAIVER/REDUCTION OF HIRE CHARGES

- (a) Cobra Life
Charity Coffee Evening
Sunday 1 October
WAIVER
- (b) Scott Johnson - Buckley Boxing
Charity Boxing



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Friday 10 November
WAIVER

(c) Blessed Sacrament Church
Christmas Fayre
Saturday 25 November
WAIVER

RECOMMENDED:

That Waivers (a), (b) and (c) be agreed.

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REGENERATION COMMITTEE – 01/11/2023

Councillor D. Richardson (Chair) presiding

142. CONNAH'S QUAY FESTIVAL 2024

To agree a date for the Connaught's Quay Festival 2024.

It was proposed that the date for the Connaught's Quay Festival would be 22nd & 23rd June and that a working group be set up. Any members wishing to be a part of the working group to email Councillor D. Richardson.

A member of the public requested to speak – permission from the Chair was given.

The member of the public stated that they fully support the proposal of a 2 day event and it is welcoming to hear everyone enjoying themselves at such event.

RECOMMENDED:

That the proposal be agreed and interested members contact Councillor D. Richardson.

143. CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The Clerk informed members that there is an agreed list of performers and that there is in the region of 27 stalls agreed.

The Light switch on will be approximately 6:15pm.

All other arrangements are in place and leaflets will be sent out w/c 6th November.



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Meeting commenced at 6.35pm and ended at 8.10pm

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