

At a **MEETING of COUNCIL** held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010 in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Wellington Road, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

### **PRESENT**

Councillor Mrs M. McCarroll (Mayor)

Councillors J. Butterfield, Mrs J. Butterfield, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, I. A. Gunning, Ms G. A. Jones, Miss M. A. Jones, G. J. Pickering and W. N. Tasker.

Mr G. J. Nickels - Town Clerk  
Mr P. M. Thomas - Finance Officer  
Miss H. J. Windus - Personal Assistant & Secretary

#### **54. OPENING OF MEETING**

The Mayor's Chaplain, Father Charles Ramsay, commenced proceedings by leading all present in prayer.

#### **55. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for non-attendance were received on behalf of Councillors J. B. Bellis (other commitment), B. Blakeley (indisposed), Mrs P. M. Butters (on holiday), Mrs L. M. Edwards (family commitment), M. C. Espley (work commitment), Ms D. Hannam (family bereavement), Mrs P. M. Jones (indisposed), Mrs W. M. Mullen-James (mayoral engagement), D. A. J. Thomas (DCC commitment) and G. Williams (indisposed).

#### **56. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the following Meetings of Council and Committees were submitted for approval as a correct record:

Council - 15<sup>th</sup> September 2010 - Min.Nos. 43-53

In reference to Minute No.47 (Presentation: North Wales Police – Inspector Dyfan Jones) and in particular to the seizure of assets, a Member advised that they had investigated further and would submit this to the Town Clerk for Members information.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs M. McCarroll and seconded by Councillor Mrs J. Butterfield and ***RESOLVED*** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 15<sup>th</sup> September 2010 - Min.Nos. 26-32

Proposed by Councillor G. J. Pickering and seconded by Councillor Ms G. A Jones and ***RESOLVED*** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010 - Min.Nos. 33-35

Proposed by Councillor G. J. Pickering and seconded by Councillor Ms G. A. Jones and ***RESOLVED*** as a correct record.

**To Confirm or otherwise:**

Finance & General - 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010 - Min.Nos. 75-98  
Purposes Committee

Proposed by Councillor Mrs J. Butterfield and seconded by Councillor Ms G. A. Jones and ***RESOLVED*** as a correct record and confirmed for action.

**57. MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor referred to the list of engagements she and the Deputy Mayor had attended since the last meeting of Council (circulated with Agenda), and referred to a number of events which she had found of great interest and had been received warmly at.

**58. QUESTION TIME**

No members of the public were present.

**59. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

***RESOLVED*** that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960, on the grounds of confidentiality.

**60. PRESENTATION: BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION**

The Mayor welcomed Mr Luke Mallett and Mr Mabon ap Gywnfor to the meeting and invited them to address Members on the charity's new confidential initiatives planned for 2011, to celebrate the British Heart Foundation's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year.

Mr Mallett and Mr Mabon ap Gywnfor duly responded and advised that:

- the initiatives were about getting communities together to raise awareness of heart health and help fight Britain's biggest killer, circulatory and heart disease.
- only Rhyl and one other town in North Wales had been approached, and that Rhyl was the first to be spoken to because of the outstanding support already enjoyed by the charity thanks to the hardworking staff of the Glan Clwyd Branch through the High Street shop and large events held like the annual Bike Ride, bringing thousands of pounds into the charity, and was very much "giving something back" to the people of Rhyl.

In response to Members' questions, the officers stated that:

- the charity did lobby both Central Government and the Welsh Assembly in areas like tobacco licensing and food labelling.

- more investment was going into prevention and care than ever before, running alongside the more traditional line of research.
- the charity was asking the Town Council just to work in partnership in getting the heart health message across, not to raise funds on its behalf. That the charity would take organisational responsibility and provide the necessary resources, with any other related costs (expected to be minimal) to be sourced from the many local organisations and businesses who were already onboard, perhaps via a local committee set up to develop the projects, and would include Town Council representation?
- the lifespan of the initiatives were not fixed, maybe five years, maybe for as long the disease exists, but would be the subject of regular review and very much with the agreement with all partners.
- as initially just the two North Wales towns would be asked to participate, resources would be focussed on the healthy hearts messages, signposting and referral to health services and support groups.
- they had spoken with Denbighshire County Council, as the Local Authority in ownership of the events venues, etc, in Rhyl, and that they had given “in principle” support and were awaiting full consent before any further action could be taken.
- the Rhyl launch could be the very first subject to both the Town Council and County Council committing to the initiatives as quickly as possible to allow enough time to galvanise all concerned parties and get organised for February 2011.

**[Councillor G. J. Pickering declared a prejudicial interest as Secretary of the Glan Clwyd Branch of the charity and vacated the Chamber, taking no further part in discussion or voting thereon]**

**[Councillor Pickering did not return to the Chamber, due to having another commitment]**

***RESOLVED*** that the decision be deferred until the British Heart Foundation had received Denbighshire County Council’s consent.

**61. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further items of business the Mayor declared the Meeting of Council closed.

Mayor: .....

Date: .....