

At the **MEETING of COUNCIL** held on Wednesday 17th July 2019 in the Council Chamber, Wellington Road Community Centre, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs E. M. Chard (Mayor)

Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, A. R. James, A. S. Johnson, B. Jones, K. R. Jones, Mrs D. L. King, Ms J. L. McAlpine, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, P. Prendergast, Ms M. V. Roberts and R. J. Turner.

Gareth Nickels – Town Clerk
Miss H. J. Windus - Deputy Town Clerk

33. OPENING OF MEETING & APOLOGIES

In the absence of the Mayor's Chaplain, Father Charles Ramsay, the Mayor commenced proceedings by leading all present in the Lord's Prayer.

Apologies for non-attendance were received on behalf of Councillors J. A. Ball, B. Mellor, Miss S. L. Roberts, A. J. Rutherford, T. Thomas and Miss C. L. Williams.

34. MINUTES

The minutes of the following meetings of council and committees were submitted for approval as a correct record:

Council - 19th June 2019 - Min.Nos.18-32
of Council

Proposed by Councillor Mrs E. M. Chard and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record

Planning Committee - 19th June 2019 - Min.Nos.6-9

Proposed by Councillor Mrs W. M. Mullen-James and seconded by Councillor Ms J. L. McAlpine and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

35. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor referred to the events she had attended during the past month and in particular to the town council's 'Circus Saturday' in the high street and to her civic service at St. Mary's Church, which were both very well received and enjoyable events.

RESOLVED that the report was received.

36. PRESENTATION OF A GIFT TO THE TOWN COUNCIL

The Mayor reported that she had recently met six design art students from Goldsmiths University in London, when they were visiting Rhyl to work on their culture remix project, combining Chinese and Western cultures.

The students had presented her with a gift, a framed mirror with a Mahjong tile in the centre symbolising the two cultures.

The Mayor advised that the gift would be displayed in the Mayor's Parlour.

37. PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS REPORT (SCHEDULE A) - JUNE 2019

The Chair referred to the Town Clerk's report (circulated with agenda) detailing the schedule of payments made.

Voucher No.	Supplier name	Amount £	Description of Goods & Services
762	BT	128.16	Internet Services
763	HSBC	25.94	Bank Charges
766	Flints CC (Clwyd Pension Fund)	4,290.48	Pension Contributions & Deficit Funding May 2019
765	HMRC	2,743.11	PAYE Deductions May 2019
764	Gunsmoke Communications	1,440.00	Events Management Fees for May 2019
767	RTC Staff	7,149.52	Staff Salaries June 2019
716	Denbighshire CC	723.00	NNDR for Wellington Road Offices - Payment 3 of 10
723	Benefits Advice Shop	916.67	Part Time Appeals Officer 19/20 Payment 3 of 12
777	BT	175.87	Rental Charges
	Total payments	£17,592.75	

RESOLVED that the report was approved.

38. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS / ADDITIONS TO THE APPROVED SUPPLIERS LIST (SCHEDULE B)

Further to minute no.143 of the meeting of council held on 15th March 2017 and in accordance with the council's adopted financial regulations, the Town Clerk submitted schedule B (a list of non-regular payments to be released over the coming month) and details of one additional supplier to be added to the suppliers list after members' approval.

RESOLVED that the following was approved for payment and signed by two councillors.

Schedule B payments for approval (13th June-9th July 2019)

Supplier	Details of Supply	Voucher Number	Amount £
Cllr D King	Expenses claimed for Mayoral Support May 2019	780	139.18
Gwasg.com Print (Gwasg Helygain)	Flyers for Circus Saturday 13 July 2019	781	273.00
Rhyl Steam Preservation Trust	Insurance Premium for Billy & Nameplate	782	122.00
Phoenix Performers	2 x Tickets for Treasure Island Event 5 th July 2019	783	14.72
Pottles Premier Plants	Bedding plants (Schedules 1 tp 5) 2019/20	784	10,734.74
Denbighshire CC	Grounds Maintenance SLA 2019/20	787	36,572.04
Denbighshire CC	Remembrance Gardens SLA 2019/20	788	6,613.19
Bernie's Miles of Smiles	Face painting for Circus Saturday 13 July 2019	789	150.00
Barry Hamilton	Photographs for Mayor Inauguration May 2018	790	110.00
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Denbighshire CC	Business Improvement District (BID) Levy 18/19	792	23.36
Denbighshire CC	Business Improvement District (BID) Levy 19/20	793	251.71
Cllr E Chard	Mayoral expenses June 2019	794	93.40
J E Hughes T/A Magico	Punch & Judy for Circus Saturday 13 July 2019	795	150.00
Mrs V Reed T/A Fun Faces	Face painting for Circus Saturday 13 July 2019	796	150.00
Amazon	Water filters	797	14.99
Butteez	Catering for Civic Sunday 14 th July 2019	798	297.60
Citizen's Advice Bureau	School Uniform Recycle Scheme	799	2,000.00
Denbighshire Homestart	Rhyl Behaviour Project	800	2,000.00
North & Mid Wales Association of Town Councils	2 x Lunches for meeting 19 July 2019	802	32.00
Total Schedule B			£59,861.93

and the following addition to the approved supplier list was approved:

- Butteez – catering for Civic Sunday

39. CONSULTATION: DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – PROHIBITION OF WAITING ORDER: GRANGE ROAD AND PARK DRIVE, RHYL.

The Mayor referred to the above traffic order (circulated with agenda) for the town council to consider its response.

Councillors felt that the order would improve visibility at the crossing and make the route to school safer.

RESOLVED that the order was received.

40. **CONSULTATION: DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – PROHIBITION OF WAITING ORDER – CHURTON ROAD, BRIGHTON ROAD, THE GROVE AND HIGHFIELD PARK, RHYL.**

The Mayor referred to the above traffic order (circulated with agenda) for the town council to consider its response.

A councillor said that this was long awaited and great news.

RESOLVED that the order was received.

41. **CONSULTATION: LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR WALES – REVIEW OF COUNTY ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY OF DENBIGHSHIRE**

Further to minute no.74 of the meeting held on 15th November 2017, the Town Clerk referred to the above (copy of Rhyl related pages circulated with agenda), and reported that the town council's representations had received Denbighshire County Council's support and had been agreed by Welsh Government, in that the Rhyl South East county ward should be split into two with two county councillors representing each. Currently the whole ward is represented by three county councillors.

A councillor thanked the Town Clerk for submitting a comprehensive response on the town council's behalf.

RESOLVED that the reported was received.

42. **CONSULTATION: DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – REVIEW OF POLLING STATIONS**

The Town Clerk made reference to the above (circulated with agenda) and advised that a suggestion had been made to change the polling station in the Rhyl South East county ward (Tynewydd town council ward) from Rhyl Leisure Centre to the newly built Rhyl Rugby Club.

A councillor said that there was continued confusion for Bruton Park residents as they had to vote in two different polling stations, depending on whether it was town or county election.

The Town Clerk reported that the county council's Mr Steve Price was looking into the matter, which predominantly affected two streets within the ward.

Ward councillors were keen for residents to have their say.

The Town Clerk advised that the consultation exercise was a public one, so residents had an opportunity to put their views forward.

RESOLVED that the consultation was received.

43. INFORMATION: DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – DENBIGHSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018-2033: DRAFT PREFERRED STRATEGY CONSULTATION

The Town Clerk referred to the above for the town council's information (circulated with agenda).

RESOLVED *that the information was received.*

44. MEMBER'S ITEM: LIVE STREAMING OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Due to Councillor J. Ball's absence, members suggested the item be deferred to a future meeting.

RESOLVED *that the item be deferred.*

45. INFORMATION ITEM: AIR SHOW & ARENA FEST FLYERS

The Town Clerk referred to boxes of the flyers recently delivered to the office for members to take away with them to distribute within their wards.

46. QUESTION TIME

Edna Schofield and Margaret Gough asked why there had been such little maintenance of the town council owned Tynewydd Community Centre since the wooden floor was re-laid in 2006 and a new boiler fitted in 2008?

47. AUGUST RECESS – DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE POWERS

The Mayor requested members' approval of the arrangements for the delegation of executive powers to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the appropriate chairs during the August recess, as follows:

- Civic Matters - Mayor and / or Deputy Mayor
- Planning Matters - Chair and / or Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee
- SOP Committee - Chair and / or Vice-Chair of SOP Committee
- All Other Business - Chair and / or Vice-Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

RESOLVED *that the arrangements were confirmed*

48. 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.*

49. INFORMATION: CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

The Mayor referred to the minutes of the SOP Committee meetings (circulated with agenda) for members' information:

SOP Committee - 8th April 2019 - Min.Nos.74-81

SOP Committee - 13th May 2019 - Min.Nos.82-87

RESOLVED *that the minutes were received.*

50. SOP COMMITTEE – COMMISSIONED SERVICES EXPENDITURE

The Town Clerk reported that the SOP Committee had recently recommended that the town council should provide funding for two initiatives during the 2019/2020 financial year, these being:

- (i) Denbighshire Homestart - £2,000
- (ii) Denbighshire Citizens Advice Bureau (school uniform recycling) - £1,000

The Town Clerk further advised that the Benefit Advice Shop had successfully secured funding for the next three years, using the town council's £8,000 match funding.

RESOLVED *that:*

- (i) *the committee's recommendations were approved*
- (ii) *a letter of congratulations to be sent to the Benefit Advice Shop*

51. CLOSURE OF MEETING

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

Mayor:

Date: