

At the **MEETING of COUNCIL**, held via video conference, on Wednesday 16th February 2022 commencing at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs D. L. King (Mayor)

Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, Mrs E. M. Chard, A. R. James, B. Jones, K. R. Jones, J. McAlpine, B. Mellor, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, P. Prendergast, A. J. Rutherford, T. Thomas and Miss C. L. Williams.

Mr G. J. Nickels – Town Clerk
Miss H. J. Windus – Deputy Town Clerk

111. APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reported the passing of Councillor Ms V. Roberts' brother and asked the meeting to observe a period of silence as a mark of respect to Councillor Roberts and her family.

Apologies had been received from Councillors Ms V. Roberts and Mrs M. Walker.

112. MINUTES

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

Special Meeting - 19th January 2022 - Min. Nos. 92-95
of Council

Proposed by Councillor Mrs D. L. King and seconded by Councillor Ms J. McAlpine and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Council - 19th January 2022 - Min. Nos. 96-110

Proposed by Councillor Mrs D. L. King and seconded by Councillor Ms J. McAlpine and **RESOLVED** as a correct record.

Planning Committee - 19th January 2022 - Min. Nos. 43-46

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

To Confirm or otherwise:

Finance & General - 2nd February 2022 - Min. Nos. 69-78
Purposes Committee

Proposed by Councillor A. J. Rutherford and seconded by Councillor A. R. James and **RESOLVED** as a correct record and confirmed for action.

113. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor referred to the list of engagements (circulated with agenda) over the past month and to her attendance at Ysgol Christchurch School Council meeting, where she was invited to speak about the role of the Mayor and of the Town Council.

The Mayor said that she had thoroughly enjoyed the meeting and hoped that some of the children present would consider becoming councillors of the future.

114. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS/ADDITIONS TO 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 would be signed by two councillors in due course.

Schedule B payments for approval (26th January – 8th February 2022)

Voucher No.	Supplier name	Amount £	Description of Goods & Services
1336	ICO	35.00	Annual fee 2022
1337	Gunsmoke Communications	750.00	Design & proof of Rhyl Read
1338	Ruthin Mayor's Charity	60.00	Charity dinner tickets x2
1339	Cllr D. L. King	433.33	Mayoral allowance 21/22 – payment 3 of 3
1340	Cllr J. L. McAlpine	133.32	Deputy Mayoral allowance 21/22 – payment 3 of 3
1341	Cllr D. L. King	166.66	Senior Member allowance 21/22 – payment 3 of 3
1342	Cllr J. L. McAlpine	166.66	Senior Member allowance 21/22 – payment 3 of 3
1343	Proarb Ltd	1,740.00	Christmas tree 2021
1344	Denbighshire CC	13,000.00	Contribution towards beach rake
1345	Delwedd Ltd	755.93	Website maintenance & hosting
1346	Canda Copying Ltd	259.32	Copier rental
1347	Canda Copying Ltd	82.21	Copier printing charges
1348	Lawnsience	40.00	Lawn treatment at Remembrance Gardens
1349	Barry Hamilton	245.00	Mayoral photos
1350	JDH Business Services Ltd	432.00	Interim Audit fee 21/22
1351	Sioned Graham Cameron	268.50	Translation services

Voucher No.	Supplier name	Amount £	Description of Goods & Services
1352	Scottish Power	428.78	Electricity for illuminations
	Total payments	£18,996.71	

Emergency & Card Payments: None made.

RESOLVED that the schedule was approved for payment, and would be signed by two councillors in due course.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Town Clerk to respond as a matter of urgency.

115. MEMBER'S ITEM: DIGITAL RECORD OF TOWN COUNCIL & RHYL

Councillor Mrs J. Butterfield sought members' support for the creation of a digital record of the town council's activities and the changes to Rhyl over the past 20 years.

Councillor Butterfield advised that she had recently accompanied the Mayor to a function at the Costigans building and had met a young entrepreneur who was a digital photographer and filmmaker, and might be able to help?

If members were of a mind to support this then we would need a clear view on exactly what we would like to capture and include, and that this could be something the Civic and Social Events Sub-Committee could consider?

The Town Clerk advised of an idea currently being considered by the Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOP) around a digital time capsule linked to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, which shared similar objectives.

After some discussion it was agreed that an honest approach including the more controversial decisions and projects undertaken over the last 20 years should be taken.

RESOLVED that the idea be considered by the SOP Committee alongside the time capsule initiative.

116. MEMBER'S ITEM: PARKING PERMIT FOR THE MAYOR

Councillor Mrs J. Butterfield sought members support for a parking permit to be purchased for the Mayor's use whilst carrying out official duties.

Councillor Butterfield advised that having accompanied the Mayor to a function recently, the Mayor had to walk some distance to the venue from her car, and that this was not ideal from a personal safety point of view.

The Town Clerk felt that a permit was perhaps not the answer, as they only applied to car parks, which would still leave the Mayor having to walk from the car park to the venue. Instead, he suggested he contact Denbighshire County Council to ask if something displayed in the Mayor's car, parked lawfully, could be accepted by traffic wardens.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk to contact Denbighshire County Council to ask about a workable solution and report back.

117. CLOSURE OF MEETING

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

Mayor:

Date:16.03.2021.....