

Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council

Minutes of the Environmental Committee held on Monday 21st January, 2019 at 7pm the Community Resource Centre, Kinmel Bay

Present Cllrs: G Corry, B Griffiths, D Johnson, M Jones, L Knightly (Mayor), J McKenna, P Miller, M Smith & N Smith

Non Voting:

Clerk: D Thomas

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs T Curran, D Dickin & B McLoughlin.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. Public participation

Eight residents were at the meeting, five were representatives of Cader Avenue Residents Association to discuss Agenda Item 6 – Cader Avenue.

The remaining three residents were representatives from Sandy Cove Residents Association, and they wished to discuss the Road Junction where Woodside Avenue, the access road to Golden Sands and Foryd Road meet.

Cllr Morris Jones advised the Sandy Cove Residents, that as the Junction was not on the Agenda it could not be discussed, however the Town Council could add it to the Agenda of a future meeting.

Cllr N Smith advised the Residents that he had a site meeting with Conwy Officers regarding the Woodside Avenue Junction.

One of the options being considered was to put a Chequered Box at the Junction. Cllr N Smith asked that one of the representatives from SCRA ring him tomorrow to discuss the junction, and he agreed that he would chase the matter up with the Conwy Officers.

4. Minutes

There was one amendment to note, it was agreed that the following sentence be removed from the minutes: - Agenda Item 3 – Conwy had also advised that they believe that the asbestos material involved, has a low asbestos content and therefore is a low risk material.

Resolved that: The minutes of the meeting held on 12/11/18, subject to the above amendment, be approved and signed.

5. Matters Arising

180611/5, 180820/5, 180910/5 & 181112/5 – Owain Glyndwr Abandoned Park

Noted that Conwy were now exploring the possibility of Conwy converting the area to a Community Allotment for the residents of Kinmel Bay.

180820/5, 180910/5 & 18112/15 – Towyn & Kinmel Bay Improvements

Noted that update regarding the Tree Planting, Bollards and Additional Picnic Benches will be provided at the Full Council meeting on 28/01/19.

181112/15 – Towyn & Kinmel Bay Improvements

Noted that the Contractors are presently working on the wall repairs and the installation of the sleepers.

18112/13 – Beach Car Park

Noted that it is expected that the Beach Car Park Barrier will be in place by 01/03/19.

180810/9 & 181112/5 – Historical Walkway in Towyn & Kinmel Bay

Noted that permission will be required from Conwy, before the go ahead can be given to the proposed improvement works to be undertaken by the Independent Working Party.

6. Cader Avenue

The recent email from Conwy was discussed where CARA stated that they feel that their statement is factual, and therefore they are not prepared to amend it.

Resolved that:

- a) The Clerk would draft a statement to be sent to Conwy regarding the Cader site, ready for discussion/approval at the Full Council meeting on 28/01/19.**
- b) That the Town Council would send CARA's Statement with a statement from the Town Council, once the TKBTC statement is approved by the Full Council.**

7. Towyn & Kinmel Bay Improvements

Resolved that: The quote for £400 from Conwy, to reintroduce plants/shrubs on the two remaining grass verges, between the Mayquay and the Community Centre be approved.

8. Sandy Cove

Noted the recent site meeting at Sandy Cove with the Conwy Officers.

Noted that Conwy will be holding an Environment Day Event at Sandy Cove on Wednesday 27th February, 2019.

9. Road Resurfacing

Noted that the resurfacing work will be undertaken by Conwy on Denbigh Circle in the next week or so.

10. Economic Impact Assessment

Conwy Councillors advised the Town Councillors that the Conwy East Forum had received a presentation recently from Conwy Officers regarding a proposed Economic Impact Assessment. It was intended that the assessment would be mainly around flooding implications in the area from Llanddulas to Hortons Nose, however the Conwy members at the forum, felt that the Economic Impact Assessment should cover all Businesses, as well as Tourism.

It is felt that the assessment can potentially be used in support of numerous projects/issues within the area such as Sandy Cove.

The assessment will provide invaluable information such as the type of business and the income to the area, which business and tourism provides to Conwy.

Cllrs are concerned that Conwy Officers, do not presently appear to appreciate what benefits the businesses/tourism brings to the area, and the Councillors are concerned that this lack of understanding has had a negative impact on proposed projects and funding for Conwy East Forum.

The Councillors felt that the sooner the Impact Assessment could be completed the better.

There was concern that if it was left to the Conwy Officers it would take 2/3 years before the Assessment would be undertaken.

Resolved that: The Clerk would write to the Chair of the Forum, to confirm that the Town Council would be happy to consider/explore looking at part funding of the Economic Impact Assessment, subject to Abergele Town Council, Llanddulas & Rhyd-y-Foel Town Council and Conwy also contributing to the funding of the assessment.

Resolved that: The Clerk would copy in Owen Conran from Conwy and Iwan Davies – Chief Executive.

11. Tir Prince Park

Resolved that:

a) The quotes received for the following work be approved

- **Wire brushing of the fence around Tir Prince Park Pond and Wooden Benches £400**
- **Wire brushing and repainting of play equipment, bin and bench £350**
- **Repainting metal fence around skate park and side of ramps £600**
- **Painting 2 Goal Posts £50**

Noted that the above quotes did not include paint, which the Town Council would need to source.

Noted that permission would need to be obtained from Conwy before the above work could be undertaken, and that a site meeting had been agreed in the park, with Conwy Officers.

12. Wooden Planters

Resolved that: Councillors will be asked to forward suggestions for locations for the planters, and that the Clerk will prepare a list of suggested locations for the planters, for the next Environmental meeting.

13. Tir Llwyd Ditches

Resolved that:

- a) The Clerk would write/forward the photographs to Conwy ERF, Peter Brown, Iwan Davies and NRW.**
- b) That the Clerk would write to Network Rail regarding the broken concrete posts, the leaning fence and rubbish on the embankments on the Railway Bridge on St Asaph Avenue.**

14. Foryd Road Improvements

Resolved that: The Clerk would contact Conwy to ask if the Town Council Notice Board could be relocated to the grass verge adjacent to resin area in the square, once the road scheme work has been completed.

Cllr N Smith & M Smith left the meeting early at 08:15pm

15. Fly Tipping

Resolved that: The draft letter be sent to all residents on Towyn Way, who back onto the Quarry Line path, and that the PCSO's hand deliver the letter to the householders.

Resolved that: A telephone number for whistle blowing to the Police, be also added to the draft letter before it is hand delivered.

16. Bus Shelter

Noted the balance of approx. £4,500 relating to Bus Shelter Refurbishment held by Conwy on The Town Councils behalf.

Noted that the Clerk has been chasing Conwy for an update regarding the Community Centre replacement bus shelter, and also its proposed location.

17. LDP – Pre Deposit Participation

Noted the Consultation and all members have been asked to read the Two Consultation Papers and provide feedback.

Noted that the consultation period closes at 16:45pm on Friday 25th January, 2019.

Cllr Corry asked that it be recorded in the minutes, that he has received concerns from two local residents that the Town Council has proposed that Gwellyn Avenue be considered to be included in the Conwy replacement LDP.

18. Land Drainage Byelaws

Noted the Consultation.

Resolved that: The Clerk would contact Conwy to express the Town Council’s concern at the amount of rubbish in/on the watercourse banks.

19. Travellers

Resolved that: The proposed reply prepared by Cllr B Griffiths be sent by the Clerk to the Welsh Government.

20. Work Schedule

The Clerk presented the 2018-19 year to date Work Schedule and also the proposed Draft Work Schedule for 2019-20 to the members.

Resolved that: The two schedules be approved as presented, without the need for any amendments.

Meeting Closed at 08:40pm

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Signed by the Chair of the meeting held on 11/03/19