

## Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council

### Minutes of the Day Time Music Event held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Community Resource Centre.

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**Present Cllrs:** G Corry, T Curran, D Johnson, M Jones, P Miller & M Smith

**Ex Officio (Voting) Member:** Cllr N Smith (Mayor)

**Non Voting:** B Griffiths & T Bibby

**Clerk:** Dylan Thomas

**1. Chairman**

Cllr M Jones was nominated and approved as Chair.

**2. Deputy Chair**

Cllr T Curran was nominated and approved as Deputy Chair.

**3. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr L Knightly (Deputy Mayor), Cllr A Hodgson was absent without apology.

**4. Declaration of Interest**

Cllr G Corry declared an interest in Wales Rally GB returning to Tir Prince this October. (Cllr Corry is employed by Tir Prince). Whilst this was not an Agenda Item, Allan of Wales Rally GB made a short presentation regarding the 2018 Rally Event.

**5. Public Participation**

There was no application from the Public to address the Council.

(Non Agenda Item) – Quick Presentation from Allan of Wales Rally GB regarding the 2018 Rally Event.

Allan advised that he was pleased to announce that the Rally would be returning to Tir Prince on Thursday 04/10/18.

Allan acknowledged that there were a few teething problems last year, and that he was working hard with Conwy to ensure that these issues would be addressed for the 2018 Rally.

The organisers would be looking for a Local Group/Organisation to help with the parking again this year (more information to follow nearer the time).

Allan advised that the start time will be the same as last year (5:30pm), with the final car due to run at approx. 9:00pm. Approx. 6,000 spectators attended the Tir Prince Event in 2017, against anticipated attendance figures of 3,000/5,000 spectators. Allan asked if the Town Council would consider supporting the event financially, whilst they would appreciate any amount an amount of £10K would enable them to make the event even bigger and better than last year. The estimated cost for Tir Prince Event for 2018, is in the region of £85K.

Cllr Morris Jones thanked Allan for his presentation and advised that as Wales Rally GB was not on the agenda for the meeting any discussion regarding the Town Council supporting the Rally, would/have to be discussed/considered at a future meeting of the Town Council.

Rachel Gill of Conwy advised that Conwy was also setting aside in the region of £115K to support the Rally.

Rachel also advised that she would send photos and footage of last years Rally to the Clerk.

**6. Presentation from Rachael Gill**

Rachel Gill shared her experience and knowledge, and provided details of similar events which she had organised/that she was aware of that had been organised in North Wales in recent years.

Rachel advised the following:-

a) £5/10K was a very low estimate to organise a Music Festival, and that she would suggest approx. £30K for such event.

b) Whilst there is a lot of process/policies and plans which need to be considered for such an event, including having to present to Conwy Events Advisory Group, it was fisable/workable, but it would be a significant undertaking and perhaps we should look at organising our first event in 2019.

c) Suggested that we consider getting someone else to deliver the event, with the Town Council acting as a Funder/Sponsor of the event.

d) Suggested that from her experience the best way to promote events was via leaflets in schools.

e) Confirmed that a Licence would be required from Conwy.

f) Confirmed that barriers would be required around the pond and stage area, and whilst the barriers themselves from Conwy weren't expensive on a supply only basis, however if Conwy were also to position and remove following the event, the labour cost would be high.

g) Indicated that the estimated budget for the portaloos seemed high, and that she would expect it to be less that £500.

h) It was best practice to google/check what other events were happening locally on or around the proposed date of the event as this could have a significant effect on the success or otherwise of the event.

i) Keep the event relatively short, as it would be easier/cheaper to organise/manage.

j) That we could consider approaching a couple of local organisations.

- Simon Humphreys? – Rhudfest (similar locally organised event).
- Chris York – Always Aim High (running events/music evet/sport in the park).

k) Need to consider who is the target audience that we are trying to attract to the event, and consider an appropriate venue to attract that target audience.

l) When to hold the event, this would again depend on the target audience, if more geared to the local residents, look to possibly organise in May or June, before the schools close for the Summer Holidays.

m) That Rachel's team would have more time to support/assist the Town Council if the event was to be held in 2019, as her team is presently very stretched, due to a maternity absence.

**7. Presentation from Kerri PCSO North Wales Police**

Kerry advised that North Wales Police would support the event by way of Police presence, however she would need to be aware of anticipated attendance, so that appropriate personnel could be arranged.

Kerry indicated that the Town Council could consider approaching the Abergele Community Event Organisers as they hold a Community Event in the park in Abergele each year, and for 2018 they were also considering organising a Music Event in the park.

**8. Discuss/agree how to take the Day Time Music Event forward.**

**Resolved that:-**

**a) Cllr Morris Jones would approach the schools, to discuss the possibility of the Town Council supporting their Annual Fayre/Fun Day, with the addition of music to the event.**

**b) Cllr Morris Jones would approach a couple of events organisers, to see if there was any appetite from them to hold event, with the Town Council sponsoring/part funding the event.**

**c) The Clerk would approach the organisers of Rhudfest & Always Aim High to see if they would be interested in holding an event at Tir Prince Park, if the Town Council sponsored it.**

**9. Website**

**Resolved that:-**

**The setting up of the website would be delayed, until a decision has been made how/whenever to proceed with the proposed event.**

**10. Health & Safety**

**Resolved that:-**

**The decision whether to instruct an experienced Health & Safety Events Consultant would be made, once a decision has been made how/whether to proceed with the proposed event.**

Meeting Closed at 08:45pm

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Signed by the Chair of the meeting on