

TOWYN & KINMEL BAY TOWN COUNCIL
Full Meeting of the Council held at
The Community Resource Centre
at 7pm on 25th March 2015

All Meetings are recorded.

Minutes

194.14 Attendance.

Cllr. Smith, cllr. Corry, Cllr. Darwin, Cllr. Anderson, Cllr. Richmond, Cllr. Laura Knightly, Cllr. Luke Knightly, Cllr. Johnson, Cllr. McLoughlin, Cllr. Roberts and Cllr. Bateman

195.14 Apologies for Absence.

Cllr. Stone

No word received: Cllr. Sadler

Members wished Cllr. Stone a speedy recovery and hoped to see him back in good health soon.

Cllr. Stone had requested that the clerk pass on his thanks to Cllr. Darwin for his assistance and calling the ambulance so quickly.

196.14 Declaration of Interest.

Members are reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of their declared interest. (Using the form provided for this purpose)

NONE

197.14 Urgent Matters.

Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B (4) of the Local Government Act 1972

None

198.14 To confirm and approve the minutes of the Full Meeting of the Council 28th January 2015

It was proposed by Cllr. McLoughlin and seconded by Cllr. Smith that the minutes of the 28th January 2015 were accepted and this was agreed by all.

199.14 Reports for consideration

a) Mayor Elect

Members were asked to nominate and vote for the office of Mayor for the Municipal year 2015/2016.

It was proposed by Cllr. Smith; seconded by Cllr. Anderson and agreed by all that Councillor Bill Darwin would hold the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2015/2016.

Members were asked to nominate and vote for the office of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal year 2015/2016.

There were two nominations received;

It was proposed by Cllr Darwin and seconded by Cllr. Anderson that Cllr. Smith should be nominated to hold the Office of Deputy Mayor.

It was proposed by Cllr. McLoughlin and seconded by Cllr. Luke Knightly that Cllr. Roberts should be nominated to hold the Office of Deputy Mayor. Cllr. McLoughlin wanted it noted that she made this nomination based on honouring the tradition of having one Towyn Mayor for every two Kinmel Bay Mayors.

After a vote was taken it was agreed that Cllr. Roberts would hold the office of Deputy Mayor for the 2015/2016 Municipal year.

CLLR. ANDERSON LEFT THE MEETING AFTER THIS ITEM

b) CCBC Proposed order regarding various roads of Towyn and Kinmel Bay

Members were provided with an order from CCBC proposing changes to the waiting times on the roads around the Towyn and Kinmel Bay area.

Members were happy with the proposals and asked the clerk to liaise with Conwy regarding the possibility of extending the proposed double yellow lines/no waiting time along Cader Avenue much further down the road than the current proposals. It was also felt that there should only be double yellow lines on the industrial side of Cader Avenue, with resident permit only parking on the residential side of the road.

There was also a request made for there to be a 120 minute maximum waiting time on the parking spaces in the square outside the pharmacy and post office. The clerk informed members that a previous request had been made for this, however, CCBC do not own that car park and they did not know who had land ownership for it, therefore, they could not enforce any waiting restrictions there. Cllr. Darwin stated he would liaise with CCBC over trying to establish who owned the land.

c) Community Award

Cllr. Bateman addressed members with regard to the Young Person's Award for the 11-18 age group and felt that there should be a second winner as there were in the two younger age groups. He wished to propose Ayla Kennedy for this award due to achieving her own personal difficulties as well as volunteering her time for other people.

It was proposed by Cllr. McLoughlin and seconded by Cllr. Johnson that Ayla Kennedy be a recipient of the 11-18 age group Young Person's Award, and this was agreed by all.

d) Welsh Government White Paper; Reforming Local Government: Power to Local People

Due to the complexities and length of time required to respond to the consultation it was decided that a Sub-Committee would need to meet to properly respond. The clerk would email out a date for the Sub-Committee to meet and respond to the consultation prior to the 28th April 2015 deadline.

e) Tir Prince Park, Towyn

Cllr. Luke Knightly wished to address members with regard to Tir Prince Park, Towyn regarding some suggestions from residents. Firstly he had been approached in relation to having some picnic benches installed and a picnic area being created for both residents and visitors to enjoy. Another suggestion was with regard to holding an annual carnival in the park, but it was emphasised that it would be something for the community and not a commercial money-making event.

The clerk confirmed the Towyn members were due to meet with Tom Gravett of CCBC and the friends of the park group on the 16th April on site in the park and could discuss plans for the park then and report back to all members at a future meeting.

Cllr. Corry stated there had been plans drawn up in 2001-2002 regarding plans for the park if they could be located.

f) Town and Community Council Forum

Members noted and acknowledged the minutes from the previous meeting of the Town and Community Council forum and the protocol for delegation or devolution of services from CCBC to Town and Community Councils.

The minutes made reference to the new street lighting replacement that was currently taking place across the CCBC area, and members asked that the clerk obtained an update from CCBC regarding the numerous complaints and problems highlighted with the lack of light output being emitted from the new style lighting across Towyn and Kimmel Bay.

g) I.T. Contract

Due to the confidential business nature of the item being discussed (tenders and discussion of contract) any members of the public or press were asked to leave the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

The clerk tabled two different quotations with regard to the Town Council's required IT provisions. After some discussion the clerk was asked to make some additional enquiries with one of the companies and report back to Full Council at the meeting in May where a decision would be made.