

Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council

Minutes of the Full Council – (Hybrid Meeting) held on Wednesday 20th July, 2022 at 7:00pm

Present Cllrs: G Corry (Mayor), B Griffiths, L Formston, L Gledhill, B Griffiths, L Griffiths, D Johnson, M Jones, L Knightly, A Macauley, B McLoughlin, K Redhead, M Smith & N Smith

Clerk: Dylan Thomas

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr T Bibby.

2. Declaration of Interest

Cllr N Smith declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 6 – Planning, as he is a member of the Planning Committee at Conwy County Borough Council, and he withdrew from the meeting whilst this agenda item was being discussed.

Cllr L Griffiths declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 18 – Grants, as St Mary's Church have applied for a grant, as she is one of the elders at the Church, and she withdrew from the meeting whilst this agenda item was being discussed.

Cllr L Gledhill declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 19 – Adhoc Watering of TKBTC Planters and Borders, as Cllr L Gledhill has submitted an invoice which relates to the emergency watering of the borders and planters due to the recent dry weather, and he withdrew from the meeting whilst this agenda item was being discussed.

3. Public Participation

There were no applications from the public to address the Council.

4. Minutes

Resolved that: -

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 13/06/2022, be approved and signed.

5. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the above mentioned meeting minutes.

6. Planning

0/49734

Variation of condition no 2 of planning consent 0/42105 (Retrospective application for the change of use of buildings and yard areas to the following uses: Building A- Machinery store, hay and haylage storage, storage of fencing and draining materials. Building B- Timber Storage. Building C - Storage, saw milling, storage and processing of timber. Building D - Storage and workshop. Building E - Kennels for private use by applicant. Building F - Woodchip and machinery storage. Area G - Storage yard for timber.) to allow for use of timber processing machinery for an extended period of time.

Resolved that: - No Objection

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Erection of 2 storey pitched roof extension at side of dwelling. Removal of existing garage and shed.

Resolved that: - No Objection

CLlr D Johnson joined the meeting late at 19:10

7. Additional Litter Bins

Resolved that: -

a) The list of proposed additional/upgraded bins, be approved in principle, as presented by the Clerk, subject to confirmation from Conwy County Borough Council regarding the cost of the concrete bases required for the proposed additional/upgraded bins.

b) Once the costings for the concrete bases are known, a final decision will be made/an appropriate budget will be agreed, at a future meeting of the Town Council.

8. Bulb Planting

Resolved that: -

a) The Town Council would approve the quote of £5,400 from Lubbe and Sons (Bulbs) Ltd for 200 square metres of mixed Crocus bulbs, as whilst it was the only quote received, mass bulb planting was very specialised, and the quote was deemed to be good value for money and the contractors were highly recommended by Conwy County Borough Council, who have used the contractors on numerous occasions.

b) The following locations would be considered for the mass planting of the bulbs: - Tir Prince Park, Llys Madoc verges and the grass verge at Ty Mawr.

9. Remembrance Day

Resolved that: -

a) The quote from David Ogilvie for the sum of £1,379.00 plus £105.00 delivery per Remembrance bench be approved, as whilst it was the only quote which had been received, it was considered to be excellent value for money.

b) Two benches would be ordered, one for Kinmel Bay and one for Towyn (The Kinmel Bay Bench is to be installed outside the Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council Community Resource Centre on Foryd Road and the location of the bench for Towyn will be delegated to the Towyn Ward Councillors.

c) The Remembrance Day budget be increased to £4,000 to cover the cost of the two benches, delivery, installation and any concrete bases which may be needed, depending on the final location of the two benches.

10. Promenade Seating

Resolved that: - The proposed promenade seating will be deferred until details of the proposed Public Realm Possibilities, are fully known.

11. Conwy County Borough Council Planting Scheme

Noted the recent email from the Conwy County Borough Council Ecologist, which confirmed that the reason for the gaps between the recently planted trees on St Asaph Avenue, related to a gas main and land ownership.

12. Benches

Resolved that: -

a) The existing bench at the location of the old bus stop on Towyn Road (by the Spar) will be relocated to the location of the new bus stop on Towyn Road (outside Brown's Holiday Park).

b) The Clerk contacts Conwy County Borough Council to enquire whether they would consider installing a bus shelter on Towyn Road, at the site of the bus stop outside Brown's Holiday Park, as the bus stop is well used by both residents and visitors.

c) The Clerk contacts Conwy County Borough Council to ask if they would provide their consent to the Town Council installing a bench at the site of the bus stop outside the Festival Church on Gors Road.

d) The existing black UPVC bench located outside the Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council Community Resource Centre (Foryd Road) be relocated in Tir Prince Park, on the existing vacant concrete base.

13. Litter Picking Poster Competition

Resolved that: -

a) The PTA at both schools will be invited to apply for a grant of £50 per school, by way of prizes for the litter picking poster competition.

b) That four children, two from each school, will be awarded a prize by Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council for the best posters, and that Cllrs G Corry & L Formston (Mayor & Deputy Mayor) will be delegated the responsibility to choose the two winners from the two schools, from the many posters received.

14. Bus Shelters

Resolved that: - The £1,250 invoice from Conwy County Borough Council be paid, which relates to the ongoing cleaning/maintenance and replacement of the Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council bus shelters.

15. Community Skips

Noted that the next Community Skip Event will be held at Glan Morfa in Towyn, on Tuesday 6th September, 2022, and that there will be two skips.

Noted that Cartrefi Conwy have given their consent for the Glan Morfa site to be used, and that they fully support the proposed Community Skip Event.

16. Ffordd Y Berllan Playing Field

Noted the issues that the Town Council is encountering with Greenfingers (Ground Maintenance Contractors), with regards to the standard and frequency of the grass cutting at the field this year. The clerk is closely monitoring.

Noted that the local residents are looking to form a Friends of the Park Group with a view to them discussing and agreeing the way forward regarding the proposed installation of goal posts in the park, and/or other proposed projects in the park.

Noted that the Friends of the Park propose to include a public consultation/meeting as part of the process, and will look to potentially apply to the Town Council for grant funding, for any agreed proposed projects/installations.

Resolved that: - Cllr B McLoughlin will contact Conwy County Borough Council to request a site meeting with the Conwy County Borough Council Ecologist, to discuss the suitability of the recently installed picket fencing, given that children play in the park.

17. Harrison Drive Path

Resolved that: - The Town Council will not take over the responsibility for cleaning the path, as the land was privately owned/unadopted.

18. Grants

Resolved that: -

a) The following grant application would be approved.

£1,650 to St Mary's Church towards their 2022-23 Summer Play Event.

b) The 2022-23 Grants budget would be reduced by £1,000 and the 2022-23 Summer Play budget would be increased by £1,000 to enable the payment of the above mentioned Summer Play Scheme.

19. ADHOC Watering at TKBTC Planters & Borders

Resolved that: -

a) The invoice for the sum of £144.00 from L & G Services (Cllr L Gledhill) for the watering of the planters and borders be approved, as whilst it was the only quote received the contractor was based in Kinnel Bay, and the watering needed to be undertaken urgently in order to save the dying plants and shrubs.

b) The quote for the sum of £144.00 from L & G Services (Cllr L Gledhill) for any future required Adhoc watering of the planters and borders, be approved, as whilst it was the only quote received, the contractor was based in Kinnel Bay, the quote was deemed to be excellent value for money, and L & G Services were the only local contractor identified with a suitable Bowser, to undertake the work.

c) That the Clerk and the Mayor/Appointed Finance Councillor, are delegated the responsibility to authorise/instruct L & G Services (Cllr L Gledhill) to undertake any additional ADHOC watering, that is deemed necessary between now and the end of the year.

Noted by Conwy County Borough council had advised in writing that they did not have the capacity to undertake the required watering on behalf of Towyn & Kinnel Bay Town Council.

20. Welcome Signs

Resolved that: - The quote from Conwy County Borough Council for Welcome/Thank you for visiting signs for the sum of £5,320.92 plus vat be approved, as it was deemed to be excellent value, and Conwy County Borough Council are the only one's able to complete the installation, due to the required Road Licences and Temporary Traffic Control Measures that will be required.

21. Community Place Plan

Noted the updates provided by the Clerk.

Resolved that: -

- a) The TKB Place Plan – Report on Consultation be approved.**
- b) The TKB Place Plan – Draft Report be approved.**
- c) The payment of the £5,000 invoice, relating to the Evaluation Consultant now that the required Evaluation Report has been completed.**
- d) The Community Place Plan Evaluation Report be approved.**

Noted the draft meeting minutes of the TKBVoice Partnership Group, which was held on 30/06/2022.

Resolved that: -

- a) The Town Council would enter a team to participate in the proposed Fun Olympics Event, which is being hold at Y Morfa, on Saturday 13th August, 2022.**
- b) The UK Government completed June Interim Monitoring Report and Return, relating to the Community Place Plan, be approved.**
- c) The Mayor and the appointed Finance Councillor sign the approved UK Government June Interim Monitoring Report and Return, on the behalf of the Town Council.**

22. Gors Road Crossroad

Noted that Conwy County Borough Council have recently installed yellow box hatching at the Gors Road Crossroad.

23. Conwy County Borough Council Updates and Reports

Conwy County Borough Councillors, who represent the Towyn and Kinnel Bay area, provided an update to the members, which included the following: -

- Vandalism at Kendal Road Play Park
- Untidy properties in the Towyn & Kinnel Bay area (4 properties reported to Conwy County Borough Council Regulatory Services)
- Active Travel Routes Update
- Towyn & Kinnel Bay Sea Defence Update
- Free Wifi for the Towyn & Kinnel Bay area
- Joint discussion with Conwy County Borough Council & Denbighshire County Borough Council regarding a proposed Marina
- Unsafe boundary walls
- Flying Start
- Conwy Health & Leisure meeting
- Winter Sound Festival
- 24 Century Schools
- Parc Hanes
- Public Realm Possibilities
- Cycle Paths

Noted that the Conwy County Borough Council Councillors will provide an update regarding recent developments at the Tir Llwyd Industrial Estate, at a suitable future Town Council meeting.

24. Conwy County Borough Council Playing Out Sessions – Summer 2022

Noted the 2022 Summer Play Sessions which Conwy County Borough Council will be running at Tir Prince Park during the Summer Holidays (Part funded by Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council).

Noted that the Councillors have been requested to promote the sessions when they are out and about in the Community.

25. Clwyd Park

Noted that Conwy County Borough Council have advised that they don't have any funding, for the proposed additional path in the park, however they would be prepared to offer up some time to organise and oversee the proposed works, if the Town Council was prepared to potentially fund the project.

Noted the aerial maps of the park, and the location of the additional proposed path.

Noted that Conwy County Borough Council's contactors were looking to install the additional gate in the dog exercise area over the course of the next couple of weeks (Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council have agreed to cover 50% of the cost of the installation of the gate).

26. Conwy County Borough Council – Playgrounds

Noted the two Play Schemes which Conwy County Borough Council are looking to upgrade/replace over the next two years (Owain Glwyndwr Park – replacement of swing bay and multi-unit in 2022-23 and the replacement of the skate ramp at Tir Prince Park in 2023-24).

Noted that Conwy County Borough Council would consider additional projects, subject to Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council funding them.

Resolved that: - The Clerk would write to Conwy County Borough Council to ask if they would consider installing additional play equipment at the Owain Glyndwr Park, geared to toddlers, as it was felt that there is presently no play provision in the park, for young children.

27. 2022-23 Environmental Improvements Work Schedule

Given that a line by line review/update of the Work Schedule was undertaken in the last Environmental Improvements meeting Full Council meeting on 08/06/2022, this agenda item would be deferred to the September meeting.

28. Youth Club Community Litter Pick

Noted that Tir Prince Fair had kindly donated tickets for the value of £90 to the Chester Avenue Youth Club, in recognition for their recent litter pick, and that Conwy County Borough Council Councillors K Redhead, M Smith and N Smith and Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council Councillor B Griffiths, had personally thanked the children and presented the donated vouchers, to the Youth Club on Monday 12th July, 2022.

Meeting Closed at 21:00

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Signed by the Chairman of the Full Council meeting on Wednesday 27/07/2022.