

**Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council.**  
**Meeting of the Policy, Finance and Resources Committee.**  
**held at the Community Resource Centre.**  
**at 7.00p.m. on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2015.**  
**All Meetings Are Recorded**

**MINUTES**

**167.14 Attendance.**

Cllr. Richmond, Cllr. Anderson, Cllr. Darwin, Cllr. Laura Knightly, Cllr. Luke Knightly, Cllr. Johnson, Cllr. McLoughlin and Cllr. Stone

**168.14 Apologies for Absence.**

Cllr. Corry, Cllr. Smith, Cllr. Bateman and Cllr. Roberts.

No word received: Cllr. Sadler

**169.14 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)

Cllr. Luke Knightly declared an interest in item 174.14 B regarding Tir Prince Fairground  
Cllr. Richmond declared an interest in item 174.14 A regarding the library, within the Locality Plan.  
Cllr. Richmond declared an interest in item 175.14 regarding Ysgol Maes Owen

**170.14 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

**171.14 To receive the minutes of the Policy, Finance and Resources Committee held on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

It was proposed by Cllr. McLoughlin and seconded by Cllr. Stone that the minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> January were accepted and this was agreed by all.

**172.14 Health and Safety**

The January Health and Safety Audit was acknowledged by members, and the clerk was asked to pass on the council's thanks to Chris Jones the Health and Safety Consultant for the work he carries out.

## **173.14 County Councillor updates**

**\*\*\* STANDING ORDERS WERE SUSPENDED WHILE CLLR. LAURA KNIGHTLY SPOKE\*\*\***

Cllr. Knightly updated members with regard to her ongoing discussions with CCBC regarding Towyn Way West. The £27,000 contained within the bond is insufficient to repair the road to an adoptable standard, therefore, the contractors have refused to do any work on the road and due to the nature of the bond CCBC can't make the contractors spend the £27,000 contained within the bond to at least improve the road. The situation is currently at an impasse.

Cllr. McLoughlin asked Cllr. Knightly to liaise with highways regarding the roads on the housing estate accessed from ffordd Y Berllan, off Gors Road, as they are unadopted but yet are of a very high standard and wonders why they are, therefore, not adopted and whether they can be.

Cllr. Knightly raises the possibility of purchasing planters to go on the grassed area on the entrance to Llys Madoc in attempt to prevent car sales taking place there. CCBC have confirmed they are happy for planters to be placed there; however, they cannot assist with providing any. The clerk stated that there may be another alternative to this as CCBC have stated that with the correct infrastructure the Towyn Christmas Tree can be relocated to that grassed area.

**\*\*\*STANDING ORDERS WERE RE-INSTATED AT THIS POINT\*\*\***

Cllr. Darwin updated members to say that Cllr. Luke Knightly with Cllr. Darwin's assistance had approached St. Mary's Church, Towyn about a Thursday night youth club as a result of the youth centre and club previously run by CCBC being closed and the building sold. The new youth club should start running very soon. Cllr. Darwin expressed the need for more provisions for the youth in our two towns.

Cllr. Darwin wanted it acknowledging that Ysgol Maes Owen and Ysgol Y foryd both performed very well in the recent Estyn Inspection reports, particularly Ysgol Y Foryd who received 'Excellent' overall and were in the top 1% in Wales.

Cllr. Anderson updated members with regard to eight flags, one of which being the Welsh flag, being taken to Colditz to be given to the state of Saxony on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 to mark the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the battle for the town. The eight flags are of the same sized used in 1945 to stop bombardment of the Castle, and resulted in the saving of many POW's lives.

Cllr. Anderson notified members that he has recently been asked to Chair the Irish Sea Maritime forum this year when its 4<sup>th</sup> annual conference would be coming to the Eirias Centre on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

## **174.14. Reports for consideration**

### **A) Locality Plan**

Members were provided with a copy of the current Locality Plan detailing the ongoing projects within Towyn and Kinmel Bay, and asked to decide which projects should remain on the list and which should be removed, along with any recommendations for new projects. Members decided on the following projects to be part of the new Locality Plan:

- Sites of Scientific Interest
- Business opportunities Foryd Harbour
- Electronic tourist kiosks and information scan codes giving location specific information
- Improved cycling paths and walkways
- Improved footpath and road links to the Tir Llwyd Industrial estate
- Community wing extension to the Y Morfa Leisure Centre
- Community Groups funding and support
- New lane linking Parc Hanes and Green Avenue
- Cycle facilities within highways boundaries
- Coach park in Towyn
- Better connectivity from coast road to A547 including the widening of Gors Road
- Feasibility for offshore power
- Coastal Traffic management study, particularly at peak holiday times
- Provision of new allotments Kinmel Bay
- Drainage plan and strategy to address unadopted roads for the area; particularly Sandy Cove.
- New fit for purpose Healthcare Centre for Towyn and Kinmel Bay
- Improve the Vale of Clwyd railway bridge to link Rhyl and the Tir Llwyd industrial estate
- Development of Tir Prince Park

**B) Tir Prince (Park and Fairground)**

This item was adjourned due to Cllr. Smith giving his apologies.

**C) Christmas**

The clerk updated members with regard to her meeting with Len Jackson of CCBC in relation to Christmas, confirming that it would be possible to relocate the Towyn Christmas tree to the grass verge behind the bus shelter at Llys Madoc. Mr Jackson also stated that it would be possible to have Christmas lights erected on certain lamp posts along Towyn Road. The clerk was asked to email members regarding a date for a Christmas meeting to start the process of planning for Christmas 2015.

**175.14 Requests for financial assistance**

- A request of £600 was received from Mr Pickering of Ysgol Maes Own for financial assistance towards a 'living' reading chair to be constructed in the grounds of the school. It was proposed by Cllr. Luke Knightly and seconded by Cllr. Johnson to provide Ysgol Maes Owen with £600 toward the 'living' reading chair.

Cllr. McLoughlin asked that in future financial requests received are specifically detailed with what the money is for by way of a financial breakdown of the project.

**176.14 Correspondence received**

- Letter from Darren Miller AM in relation to Mr Plant's WebBlog acknowledged.
- Letter from One Voice Wales regarding membership-acknowledged, and after some discussion it was decided not to join.
- Letter from Scottish Power – acknowledged and after some discussion members decided to enter into a fixed price 12 month contract.



	SLCC membership			102988	187.00	
	Kon-X Wales (photocopier)			102989	6.67	1.11

<b>Bank Reconcilliations. 2014 - 2015</b>				January		
<b>BMM ACCOUNT</b>		<b>Debits</b>		<b>Credits</b>		<b>TOTALS</b>
Balance as at 31st December 2014						<b><u>£62,977.62</u></b>
Transfers to Community A/c		£13,200.00				
Room hire				£30.00		
Community Centre payments				£890.28		
Balance as at 31st January 2015						<b><u>£50,697.90</u></b>
<b>COMMUNITY ACCOUNT</b>		<b>Debits</b>		<b>Credits</b>		
Bank Balance as at 31st December 2014						<b>£6,162.70</b>
Payments out as Minuted		£15,762.13				
Transfers in From BMM A/c				£13,200.00		
Bank Balance as at 31st January 2015						<b>£3,600.57</b>
<b>WPC/Cheques written but not presented</b>				<b>ACTUAL BALANCE</b>		<b>£3,279.01</b>

cheque	102973	£50.00			
cheque	102988	£187.00			
cheque	102989	£6.67			
WPC		£77.89			
					<b>£321.56</b>
<b><u>C.R. BUILDING FUND</u></b>		<b>Debits</b>		<b>Credits</b>	
<b>Balance at 31st December 2014</b>					<b>£15,031.57</b>
Interest				£0.89	
<b>Balance at 31st January 2015</b>					<b>£15,032.46</b>
<b>PUBLIC SECTOR DEPOSIT FUND</b>					
<b>Balance at 30th September 2014</b>					<b>£50,545.08</b>
Interest				£47.82	
<b>Balance at 31st December 2014</b>					<b>£50,592.90</b>

It was proposed by Cllr. McLoughlin and seconded by Cllr. Johnson that the accounts were accepted and this was agreed by all.