

HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the **Development Committee** held in the Council Chamber, Bank Place Offices, Holywell on Wednesday 3rd May 2023 at 10.00am.

PRESENT: Councillors B. Scragg (Chair).
Councillors P.A. Johnson, M. Lewis-Jones, and M. Sprake.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors R. Dolphin, I. Hodge, and S. Rush. Councillors C. Argent and D. Thomas were absent without apology.

IN ATTENDANCE: J. Baker (Clerk), and M.G. Fearnley (Deputy Clerk).

DC31. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

DC32. **GREENFIELD RAILWAY STATION**

Members received an update from the Chair. Members remained concerned at the slow progress with this project and the part funding that was allocated. 75% of the report was completed with the remaining 25% subject to further funding being confirmed.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the Deputy Clerk follow up on an interim report completion date with Transport For Wales.
- 2) That the Deputy Clerk request an update from Hannah Blythyn MS on the funding required to complete the report.

DC33. **CIRCULAR BUS ROUTE**

Members received an update from the Deputy Clerk on the enquiries sent out to potential bus companies. The feedback was that there were no spare drivers and no further routes planned for the Holywell area.

RESOLVED:

That the Council continue to promote the Fflecsi Bus service. Deputy Clerk to chase the County Council for Fflecsi bus usage statistics.

DC34. TRANSPORT STEERING GROUP MEETING

Members discussed the outstanding issues from the last meeting.

RESOLVED:

That the outstanding issues form part of the written response to the County Council highlighting the wider communication concerns.

DC35. LLUESTY WOODLAND

The Clerk provided members with an update. Members supported some development of the woodland and discussed ideas and possible funding sources.

RESOLVED:

That a working group be set up to explore ideas for the site. Deputy Clerk to arrange and source grant funding opportunities.

DC36. NOTICEBOARD UPDATE

Deputy Clerk provided members with an update on costs and specifications. Members discussed the viability of the boards against the costs involved.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the noticeboard project does not proceed at this time.
- 2) That the Deputy Clerk approach local businesses to display notices as required.

DC37. WALES IN BLOOM 2023

Members received an update from the Clerk on the arrangements in hand for the 2023 season. Members also reviewed the 2022 Judges report to consider any development opportunities. Pottles of Gorsedd had again supplied a quotation for the basket displays (£21.00 per basket), and Holywell Garden

Centre as part of the annual SLA would be responsible for watering duties (£550.00 per month).

RESOLVED:

- 1) That approval be given to proceed with the Wales in Bloom arrangements as stated.
- 2) That the Clerk contact Wendy Jones from Keep Wales Tidy to attend a future meeting, to speak on grant funding options.
- 3) That the Clerk adds the cemeteries to the Judges route and explores knitted displays for the bollards.

DC38. DOG BINS AND BAG DISPENSER UNITS

Members discussed the above matter and agreed to focus on the bag dispenser units.

RESOLVED:

That the Deputy Clerk produces a report for the next meeting, that confirms costs of the units, replacement bags and potential locations. That local businesses be approached for sponsorship opportunities.

DC39. MEMBERS DEFERRED ITEMS

a) North Flintshire Transport Study

Cllr P.A. Johnson reiterated the importance of the North Flintshire Transport Study and suggested that members should review the report in further detail.

RESOLVED:

That a working group be formed to look at the report. Deputy Clerk to arrange.

b) Strand Allotments, Book Repository, Holywell Youth Centre

No report was available for the meeting.

DC40. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 12.00pm.

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Chair