

## **HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL**

### **CYNGOR TREF TREFFYNNON**

Minutes of the **Town Centre and Events Committee** held in the Town Council Offices on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor L.A. Carter (Chair – see minute TC1).  
Councillors L. Corbett, P. Corbett, I. Hodge, S. Rush, and D. Thomas.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillor E.B. Palmer.

IN ATTENDANCE: J. Baker (Clerk), M.G. Fearnley (Deputy/Assistant Town Clerk), and C.S. Lowry (Support Officer).

#### TC1. ELECTION OF CHAIR – MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/23

##### RESOLVED:

That Cllr L.A. Carter be elected as Chair for the 2022/23 municipal year.

#### TC2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR – MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/23

##### RESOLVED:

That Cllr D. Thomas be elected as Vice Chair for the 2022/23 municipal year.

#### TC3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

| Minute No. | Name of Councillor | Personal | Prejudicial | Nature of Interest               |
|------------|--------------------|----------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| TC8        | L.A. Carter        |          | ✓           | Member of Holywell Market Group. |
| TC8        | I. Hodge           |          | ✓           | Member of Holywell Market Group. |

#### TC4. WELL INN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Members discussed in detail the current format of the Well Inn Music Festival and agreed that it needed a change in direction. Various ideas were discussed and although based around music it was felt that the event should be more in line with the recently held Jubilee event, e.g., a family event inclusive for all. Cllr D. Thomas advised that should he be requested by the Council to manage a sports race activity this would be a chargeable service.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That Peter Footitt be contracted to run 4 stages as per his emailed quotation of £1,300 to include artists, all equipment, and sound engineers.  
2x Stages in the Wine Vaults, 1 in Bethel Chapel, 1 in The Feathers Inn.
- 2) That the staffing team produce a programme of all the planned activities with estimated costs, to be considered at the next Full Council meeting in July.
- 3) That Cllr D. Thomas provides a written quotation for managing the sports race activities for consideration by the Full Council.

TC5. LGBT PRIDE EVENT DAY

Cllr D. Thomas provided members with a brief outline of his proposed event. Cllr Thomas suggested that the Council should now manage this event. Members expressed concern at the short notice and resources required to arrange the event for this year. Further clarity was required on the scope and cost for this type of event.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr D. Thomas provide a more detailed costed plan for the event for members to consider at the budget setting meeting in January 2023.

TC6. BIKE REPAIR STATION

The Deputy Clerk provided members with an update on the repair station and the operational reasons why it had not been installed to date.

RESOLVED:

That a decision on the final location and installation date be confirmed at the proposed meeting between the Council, North Wales Police and Flintshire CCTV Unit.

TC7. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON EVENT

The Annual Christmas Lights Switch On Event had traditionally taken place on the last Friday of November, which this year would have fallen on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The Deputy Clerk highlighted that both England and Wales

were involved in Football World Cup games on that day. Members discussed the idea of changing the event date to avoid a clash with the football and other switch on events being held locally.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed that the event date be moved to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 to link in with the weekly market, subject to ratification of the Full Council.

TC8. POSIBLE RELOCATION OF MARKET

Members discussed the request from businesses for the possible relocation of the weekly market to Tower Gardens. It was felt that the market was re-establishing itself following the covid restrictions being removed and should be given the opportunity to expand. Members also expressed concerns about the limited space available for some of the larger market stalls.

RESOLVED:

That the request be noted as received, and the market remain on the High Street for the immediate future. The growth and development of the market would be monitored over the next 12 months.

TC9. TOWER GARDEN STEPS.

Members considered a suggestion from Cllr D. Thomas regarding the development of the Tower Gardens steps as an educational aid. The Clerk highlighted that the County Council would support the installation, but the project would need to be funded and managed by the Town Council.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr D. Thomas provide the Council with a costing proposal to be reviewed by members at a future meeting.

TC10. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 3.15pm.

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