

HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the **Town Centre Sub-Committee** held in the Council Chamber, Bank Place Offices, Holywell on Tuesday 3 October 2018 at 5.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor E.B. Palmer (Chair).

Councillors: L.A. Carter, J.M. Johnson, M.D. Phelan, B. Scragg and P.A. York.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillors M. Brooke, A. Coleman, K. Davies, R. Dolphin, S. Johnson and P.J. McGarry.

IN ATTENDANCE: J. Baker (Clerk), M.G. Fearnley (Projects & Development Officer).

TC11. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – MEMBERS’ CODE OF CONDUCT

None.

TC12. AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION

Members received a presentation from Helen Jones and Shereen Devine, Flintshire County Council outlining the steps required for Holywell to become an age friendly community.

The age friendly community status key definitions are for people to stay healthy, stay active and to be treated with respect. An action plan would need to be developed to cover priority areas that influence the health and wellbeing of older people. Members were referred to a recent project undertaken for Leeswood and Pontblyddyn.

Members noted that Shereen Devine would be available to start work in June 2019, to manage the project across the Holywell community.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That Helen Jones and Shereen Devine be thanked for attending and presenting the information.
- 2) That members support in principle Holywell becoming an age friendly community, with further discussions needed in the lead up to June 2019 and the start of the project.

TC13. EVENTS WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

Members received the minutes and considered the recommendations proposed by the Events Working Group meeting, held on 19th September 2018.

RESOLVED:

That the following recommendations be supported:

- Flintshire County Council to consider free parking at event times.
- Members of the Events Working Group to be invited to future meetings of the Well Inn Working Group.
- Purchase of generic event banner and “selfie” photo frame.
- Halloween mini-event – Venue confirmed as the Artisans shop; Scary Scarecrow competition to be run again this year.
- Christmas planning – no fireworks to be commissioned this year; best resident and shop window lights competitions to continue; draft Christmas line up approved.
- Events leaflets to be produced showing annual programme.
- External risk assessor to be utilised for all events for the 2019 programme and beyond, to comply with insurance and County Council requirements.

TC14. KEYS/FREEDOM OF HOLYWELL

Members considered a proposal to award the keys/freedom of Holywell status to organisations or individuals on an annual or adhoc basis.

RESOLVED:

That this proposal is not supported at this time.

TC15. PIGEONS IN TOWN CENTRE

Members considered a proposal involving the siting of a pigeon roost in Fron Park or other suitable area to mitigate the problem of pigeons roosting in the town centre.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk writes to Nigel Seaburg, Streetscene, Flintshire County Council to investigate the matter further.

TC16. BENCH RELOCATION

Members considered the possible removal of the bench located at the junction of Pen-y-Maes Road and Ffordd St Gregoire, following reports of anti-social behaviour in the vicinity.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk writes to Nigel Seaburg, Streetscene, Flintshire County Council to arrange its removal.

TC17. CAR PARK CHARGES

RESOLVED:

That this matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Town Centre Sub-Committee, as appropriate.

TC18. PROJECTS & DEVELOPMENT OFFICE UPDATES

Members received a progress report from the Projects & Development Officer providing an update on the installation of fencing along the alleyway by Santander, the future plans for the telephone box and the status of vacant town centre units.

TC19. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chairman closed the meeting at 6.15pm.

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Chairman