COMMUNITY SERVICES AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

Llandudno Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of Llandudno Town Council - Community Services & Tourism Committee

Held on Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 7.00pm

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Lloyd Street, Llandudno

Those Present:

Cllr Miss C Marubbi - Chairman Cllr F Davies - Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs C Beard
Cllr Mrs J Jones
Cllr B B Bertola
Cllr Mrs M Lyon
Cllr F Bradfield
Cllr M A Pearce
Cllr Mrs L Emery
Cllr D J Hawkins
Cllr I Turner

Cllr M Hold, JP

41. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Miss A O'Grady, The Mayor Cllr G J T Robbins
Cllr A W Bertola Cllr Mrs M Wigzell
Cllr S R Hillman

Absent: Cllr M J Pavey

42. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONDUCT

There were no interests declared:

43. TO WELCOME REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CAMBRIAN RALLY AND TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE 2020 RALLY

(as resolved by the Committee)

The Chairman welcomed Alyn Edwards, Clerk to the Course, and Mrs Judith Phillips, Committee member, Cambrian Rally, to the meeting to update members on the 2020 event to be held 8th February. Mr Edwards outlined that the Cambrian Rally (organised by the North Wales Car Club) and now in its 65th year, was one of the best in the UK, and was the first round of British Championships. The organisers had responded to feedback from last year's event in Llandudno and made some changes. There had also been greater liaison with local businesses and operators, the seeking of sponsorship and the development of a leaflet to teams regarding the Town's facilities and shops.

This year, the rally would be more compact and held solely within Conwy County (Conwy valley and Betwys y Coed) with limited road mileage to and from the start/finish and service area in Llandudno. The Llandudno start time had been moved from 8am to 9am, and the Great Orme stage reinstated. The service area in and around Mostyn Street had been reviewed following 2019 and a plan for 2020 was shown. Changes included the provision of three taxi ranks, a review of the impact on bus services, establishment of crossing points for pedestrians, improved security, and the area around Trinity Church would be kept clear with more vehicles going to the coach park.

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The road closure was from 06.00 on the Friday and would re-open as soon as on the Sunday. Entertainment would also be provided on the Friday and Saturday.

Mr Edwards further addressed members regarding the benefits that the rally brought to the area including revenue to the town, promotion of the town, and take up of accommodation and facilities. Mrs Phillips outlined her press and media role, national and international coverage of the event, and press releases to promote Llandudno and North Wales. Also, in her role as Accommodation Officer for officials, teams and sponsors, there was a great take up of bed space with the average spend per person per night on accommodation and other estimated at £160 p.p.n. The Rally also aimed to support local business by the purchase of materials locally such as trophies. There was brief discussion on whether a monetary value could be placed on the publicity and event and the organisers considered that the value was significant and referenced the introduction of a media package for the event.

Members expressed ongoing support for the Cambrian Rally. The Chairman thanked Mr Edwards and Mrs Phillips for attending and they left the meeting.

44. URGENT ITEMS

There were none.

45. MINUTES

The minutes of a meeting of the Community Services & Tourism Committee held on Tuesday 12th November 2019, were received and signed.

46. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COMMUNITY SERVICES SUB COMMITTEES

46.1 Decorative Lighting Sub Committee held 18th November 2019.

A member of the Sub Committee reported on the number of compliments received from the public regarding the Town Council's Winter Decorative and Christmas lighting. <u>IT WAS</u> <u>RESOLVED</u> to record Votes of Thanks to the Town Clerk for her work on the lighting and, in particular, the implementation of Decorative Lighting at the West Shore shelter, and to the Friends of West Shore for their work in looking after the Shelter and the provision of a Christmas tree.

46.2 Llandudno in Bloom Sub Committee held 27th November 2019.

46.3 Town Twinning Committee held 28th November 2019.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Decorative Lighting Sub Committee held 18th November 2019, Llandudno in Bloom Sub Committee held 27th November 2019 and Town Twinning Committee held 28th November 2019, be approved and accepted.

47. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

47.1 North and Mid Wales Association of Local Councils: Minutes of the meeting held 25th October 2019 and Agenda for the meeting scheduled for 17th January 2020. A report was received from the Town Council's representative on ongoing homeless issues, business

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rates, council tax and public conveniences. The representatives were thanked by the Committee for their ongoing commitment to the Association.

- 47.2 Town & Community Council Forum: Minutes of the meeting held 16th October 2019 <u>were</u> received.
- 47.3 Conwy Fairtrade Coalition: AGM Minutes, 06 November 2019 were received.
- 47.4 Penrhyn Bay Community Library. Minutes of the meeting held 10th October 2019 were received.
- 47.5 Any other reports from outside bodies. There were no further reports.

48. TO CONSIDER ANY CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

48.1 A letter of response received from Conwy CBC, regarding the Town Council's concerns over the promotion and monitoring of the Community Toilet Scheme Llandudno, was discussed.

Members expressed concern over the accuracy of a couple of statements in the letter, particularly in respect of Conwy CBC undertaking walkabouts with members of Llandudno Town Council on numerous occasions. This was not recollected by members, who had been involved with the scheme since its start in 2009. Members expressed further concern that promotion of the Scheme by Conwy CBC, and the monitoring of signage, was still lacking.

<u>IT WAS RESOLVED</u> that Llandudno Town Council respond to the letter from Conwy CBC and express concern about what it considered to be inaccurate statements within the letter and to ask for further details.

The letter had also included that the Town Council might wish to send a representative to the Economy and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to be held 27th May 2020, when the scheme would be reviewed as part of the wider Public Convenience Strategy. Guidelines and a form had been included. In view of members ongoing concerns

IT WAS FURTHER RESOLVED that Cllr B B Bertola attend the meeting of the Conwy CBC Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to be held 27th May 2020, and to speak on behalf of the Town Council regarding its concerns over the monitoring and promotion of the Community Toilet Scheme.

Cllr F. Bradfield left the meeting.

- 48.2 A North Wales Fire and Rescue Service: consultation on its Environmental Strategy (response date extended to 17 January 2020) <u>was received.</u>
- 48.3 A Welsh Government: The Playing Fields (Community Involvement in Disposal Decisions) (Wales) Regulations *was received*.

49. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 18th February 2020.