



Rhuddlan Town Council – Minutes of the Town Plan Meeting 18th June 2020

Virtual Meeting during the Covid 19 Restrictions

Present:

Cllr Arwel Roberts (Mayor in the Chair)
Cllr Mike Elgin (Deputy Mayor)
Cllr Reg Davies
Cllr Syd Gaskin
Cllr Andrew Smith
Cllr Bleddyn Williams
Cllr Mike Elgin
Cllr Gareth Rowlands
Cllr Mike Kermode
Cllr Charlotte Frobisher
Cllr Ann Davies
Town Clerk
Clerical Assistant/Minute Clerk

1. Apologies

None

2. Declaration of Interest

None

3. Play Areas Cleansing

The Mayor, Cllr Arwel Roberts, introduced this as an extra item on the agenda and asked the Town Clerk to explain the why.

The Town Clerk had noted that the Welsh Government's First Minister Mark Drakeford MS was due to make the next Covid 19 announcement tomorrow Friday 19th June. It is possible that play areas may be included as having restrictions lifted. Our quarterly inspection regime has already highlighted that before any opening can take place all play areas will need a cleansing & sanitization. Would Council therefore like to consider booking a cleansing & sanitization of the 4 play areas that the Town Council are responsible for?

We already know that schools are to open again on June 29th and they will be requiring cleaning & sanitization in preparation, and potentially as a regular operation. Meaning that it could be difficult to access this service in the future.

This will include the Admiral's Field MUGA, Fresh Air Gym, play area, and the Vicarage Lane play area. The cost for cleaning Vicarage Lane play area in 2017 was £480 and the quote of £1,900 to cover the four areas is good value.

Resolved – but only when announcement has been made by First Minister.

4. Town Plan

Cllr Arwel Roberts informed the Members of the great importance being placed by the Local Authority and other partners in having a Town Plan and how pleasing it was to see all Members present at this virtual meeting. He also gave thanks to Cllr Mike Kermode for his hard work in preparing the discussion document that was before the Council this evening, which was echoed by those present.

Cllr Mike Kermode was invited to take the Members through the process and 20 projects that Members have put forward.

Cllr Mike Kermode stated that the Council need to decide what they want in/out of the Town Plan from the 20 proposals that have been put forward. Utilising the 3 factors of finance, staff resources, and deliverability. Those selected will then be put into an agreed list of projects which will be sent to each Member for them to arrange into what they individually see as the priorities. Cllr Kermode will then bring the scores together to produce a prioritised Town Plan for 2020 - 2023. This will then be placed before Members at the July meeting for confirmation.

Admiral's Field Community facility - Purchase of Coed y Brain, adaption costs, ongoing management. **Resolved all in.**

Town Cemetery – Identification of site, define Potential Costs, public consultation. **Resolved all in**

Rhuddlan Library – Support for operational costs, Support for future service developments when needed. **Resolved all in.**

Youth Facilities – Support for indoor facility provision, provide financial support. **Resolved all in.**

CCTV – Maintain & develop beyond present partnership agreement that expires March 2021. **Resolved in.**

Rhuddlan Museum – Identification of site. **Resolved in.**

Welcome to Rhuddlan – Promotion of visitor attractions, ensure clear visitor information, ensure appropriate signposting, ensure main entrance routes provide a welcoming image. **Resolved all in.**

Coach Friendly Rhuddlan – Identification and provision of coach drop-off & pick up points, Identify & support provision of a coach park. **Resolved all in.**

Dementia Friendly Rhuddlan – Encourage & support for those living with dementia and their carers. Cllr Mike Kermode Declared an Interest. **Resolved in.**

A Clean & Tidy Town – Encourage & support groups to maintain the town's amenities, Encourage and support regular litter picking regime, promote the benefits of a clean & tidy town to local residents. **Resolved all in.**

Town Cycle Path – Provide a cycle route to circumnavigate Rhuddlan. **Resolved in.**

Vicarage Lane Car Park – Progress the pay & display scheme. **Resolve all in.**

Parliament Street Car Park – Provision of new tarmac base, Review parking space layout.

Resolved all in.

Car Park Fees & Street Parking Limits – Pay & display car parks to have a free 2-hour session, on street parking to have a minimum 1-hour stay. **Resolved all in.**

Public Conveniences – Ensure provision of public toilets, Ensure the maintenance regime meets the needs of users. **Resolved all in.**

Admiral's Field Football/Sports Facilities – Use by Rhuddlan FC, Use by different sports e.g. Tag rugby & basketball. **Resolved to support the use by different sports** but not Rhuddlan FC.

Admiral's Field Environmental Area – Improvement of the environmental amenities, developing community led growing projects. **Resolved all in**

Local Recycling – Change the public litter bins to recycle bins so as to encourage self-sort recycling in suitable locations by DCC. **Resolved.**

Traffic Management – One Way road system, Station Road roundabout. **Resolved all out.**

High Street Pedestrianisation – **Resolved out.**

Farmer's Market/shop – Cllr Arwel Roberts wished to add this extra project idea to the 20 others. **Resolved in.**

5. Consultation

Cllr Arwel Roberts highlighted that the discussion document asked that Members consider whether public consultation is required. Members agreed that this work will form the Town Council's Town Plan 2020 - 2023 and publish it for information. **Resolved.**

Cllr Arwel Roberts again thanked Cllr Mike Kermode for all his hard work on this matter and thanked the Members for participating in this evening's virtual meeting. The Town Plan is progressing well.

Cllr Mike Kermode will now list those projects the Council has agreed to include for each Member to prioritise in order. These scores will be calculated to provide a prioritised list of projects for the next Town Council meeting.

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 9th July at 7pm