



Cyngor Tref  
**Rhuddlan**  
Town Council

## **Minutes of Library Working Group Meeting**

**Held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at Rhuddlan Library**

### **Present:**

Cllr Mike Kermode (Chair)  
Cllr Mike Elgin  
Mathew Baker (DCC Libraries)  
Richard Polden (Rhuddlan Local History Society)  
Steve Wilson – (Town Clerk)

### **1. Apologies**

Cllr Val Simmons (Mayor)  
Deborah Owen (DCC Principal Librarian)

### **2. Declaration of Interest**

None given

Cllr Mike Kermode paid tribute to Cllr Gareth Rowlands who passed away last week.

### **3. Minutes and progress update from Last Meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Cllr Mike Kermode ran through the minutes. No matters arising.

### **4. Funding**

Cllr Mike Kermode confirmed council 2025/26 funding and that the council has allocated funding to cover any additional costs.

### **5. Friends of Rhuddlan Library**

This was discussed, investigating whether grant applications from Friends of groups would be successful and agreed to run an Engagement Event at Rhuddlan Library on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 2pm to 6.30pm. Mathew Baker is doing the comms. Discussed constitutions and the Penarth model was the most suitable but would still need some minor modifications.

The council agreed to write to businesses to invite them to attend the Engagement Event.

### **6. Heritage Centre**

Mathew Baker gave a very positive update from the DCC property team who are working on the external schematics and internal layouts. It was agreed to ask Morgan Ditchburn to contact Mold Library to get details of the consultants they used to plan their internals and obtain costs for them to do the work in Rhuddlan.

Agreed to ask Morgan to meet with Richard Polden of the History Society to discuss the display methodology etc. This session should include Cllr Reg Davies to understand what artifacts he has that could be physically displayed.

Agreed to ask Morgan to set up a digital recording project with Cllr Reg Davies so he can be filmed taking about artifacts and Rhuddlan history so this history is preserved for the future and that the recordings can be used in the Heritage Centre. Grant funding will need to be sourced.

Date of next meeting Friday 21st March 2025 at 9am in Hwb Rhuddlan.

Signed .....*M Kermode*.....Cllr Mike Kermode  
18/2/25