



Minutes of Library Working Group Meeting

Held on 21 March 2025 at Rhuddlan Hwb

Present:

Cllr Val Simmons (Mayor)
Cllr Mike Kermode (Chair)
Cllr Mike Elgin
Mathew Baker (DCC Libraries)
Richard Polden (Rhuddlan Local History Society)
Steve Wilson – (Town Clerk)
Morgan Ditchburn – (Assistant Town Clerk)
Julie Grier – Rhuddlan Historical Society

1. Apologies

Deborah Owen (DCC Principal Librarian)

2. Declaration of Interest

None given

3. Minutes and progress update from Last Meeting on 7th January 2024

Minutes agree at the Town Council. **Resolved.** No matters arising.

4. Friends of Rhuddlan Library

Matt Baker from DCC updated regarding the event next Thursday. It will showcase best of the events we done so far and also look at what other friends' groups have done successfully. At the event they are looking at expressions of interest then will form a formal group of Friends.

The aim of the event is to have a good variety of expressions of interest, time and skill, from variety of age groups and demographics. The group will be able to suggest what is good for the community and also enhance the Library's core offering.

Cllr Mike Kermode wants to invite commercial friends such as Thorncliffe.

5. Heritage Centre

Documents and drawings provided by DDC for the Heritage Centre. Discussion on drawings and footprint, along with discussion regarding toilets on storage. Meeting on plans to be arranged. Invite Elias and team from DCC Planning to the library: Tuesday 1 April or Tuesday 15 April at 9am.

Internal layout discussion. £8,000 can be accessed to appointment consultants. Morgan will get expressions of interests from heritage consultants, and contact Sophie Fish from Mold regarding their consultants. Morgan will also contact Penmaenmawr Museum to arrange a visit to see what they have done with their displays.

6. Digitisation of artefacts and oral history

Morgan met with Richard Polen last week to discuss the potential plan going forward. Morgan will meet with Cllr Reg Davies to see what artefacts he has and a discuss on the logistics of cataloguing and displaying. Archivist from Conwy Archives willing to assist in documentation of artefacts. Several funding sources have been identified.

SignedCllr Mike Kermode