

# RHAYADER TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015 AT 7.00PM AT THE OLD SCHOOL CWMDAUDDWR

### THOSE PRESENT

Chairman Councillor L. Price  
Councillors P. Dark W. Davies J. Humphreys M. Lloyd J. Stuart  
C.R. Davies C. Evans D. Jones J. Narborough C. Walton  
D.O. Evans J. Jones G. Williams  
County Cllr. K. Curry

1. **APOLOGIES:** All Councillors were present.

### 1. AGENDA ITEMS:

#### 1.1 Public Toilets.

Cllr. Price thanked the Clerk for provided Councillors with estimated costs which could accrue to the Town Council if they were to agree to assume responsibility for Public Toilet provision in Rhayader & Cwmdauddwr. Costs were illustrated for various options for managing the service.

Cllr. Lloyd commented that the toilets at the Cemetery only occupy 2 small areas of the building, the rest of which is used by PCC. The figure stated for rates in supporting information which had been supplied by PCC would indicate that the whole building value was being attributed to the toilets. Councillors agreed that this anomaly must be resolved, but remained of the opinion that all the toilet buildings should be rate free. After considerable discussion it was agreed that whilst remaining of the opinion that the present toilet provision should be maintained, there were a number of issues which needed to be resolved before a final agreement could be reached with PCC. It was resolved to inform PCC that RTC would need to enter into negotiations with them to resolve outstanding issues and concerns prior to a formal agreement being reached.

**Clerk to inform PCC.**

Councillors remained keen to participate in the joint approach to PCC on the issue of service devolution proposed by Knighton Town Council. **Clerk to contact Knighton to learn the current status of the initiative.**

#### 1.2 Precept Rhayader Town Council 2015/2016.

As indicated in item 1.1 above the issue of future toilet provision had not yet been totally resolved. However, due to the impending deadline for submission of Precept requirement, it was resolved that an appropriate amount must be budgeted for. Amounts for other items would remain virtually unchanged.

The resultant breakdown was:

General Admin	£210	Groe	£1,000
Rent	£350	Xmas Lights	£1,000
Clerk's Salary	£5,000	Cwmdauddwr Community Centre	£500
Mayor's Allowance	£1,150	Community Hall at Leisure Centre	£500
Insurance	£1,666	One Voice Wales	£250
Auditor	£400	EV Social Club Bonfire & Fireworks	£300
Carnival	£1,000	Carad upkeep of Museum	£1,000
Churchyard Upkeep	£400	Toilets	£9,000
Project Group	£5,000	Unallocated Funds	£8,649
		TOTAL	£37,375

**Clerk to inform PCC of RTC's requirement for the Precept for 2015/2016.**

### 2. CORRESPONDENCE:

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**3.1** Mrs. Cheryl Jones (via Cllr. G. Williams): Danger from metal on lamppost & parked vehicles on St Harmon Road.

Councillors were informed that the dangerous piece of metal had now been removed and PCC will be painting double yellow lines at this location as part of planned works. Cllr. Williams had informed the writer.

**3.2** WG: Section 137 expenditure: Limit for 2015 -16. Noted.

**Correspondence received since the agenda was issued:**

Nantmel Community Council: Offer of assistance with toilet costs: Councillors welcomed this offer of help towards the cost of toilet provision in Rhayader, noting that it indicated the importance of the facility to people in the local area as well as local ratepayers & the travelling public. **Clerk to convey RTC's appreciation to Nantmel.**

Edwina Hart & Kirsty Williams correspondence: Despite another letter being sent to the Minister from both RTC & Kirsty Williams AM, no further response had been received. **Clerk to follow up.**

PAVO: Asset Transfer events. It was resolved that the Clerk should represent RTC. **Clerk to arrange.**

D. Evans: Budget Seminar & Report. Noted

**3. PLANNING**

**4.1 P2014 1223** For LBC: Conversion of barn into recording studio, reinstate door and install better specification windows. Creation of a balcony, veranda & carport. Work to house at Nannerth Ganol, Cwmdauddwr, Rhayader, Powys.

There were no objections to this application. **Clerk to inform PCC of RTC's comments.**

**4. URGENT BUSINESS**

No urgent matters were raised.

The meeting closed at 8.20p.m.

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