

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN
COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2009 AT 6.30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Councillor A Khan (Mayor)
Councillors W Bagnall, B Cossey J.P., Mrs L Danson
M.B.E., , Mrs L Edwards, Mrs M Edwards, P Edwards,
Mrs J Griffiths, Mrs S Harley, G Jones J.P., Mrs L Lyon,
Mrs H Meredith, J Oddy, Mrs V Perry, P Richards

OFFICER PRESENT: Clerk.

335 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Davies, Mrs J Geddes, C Hughes, G Hughes, C Perry, Mrs A Robinson B.E.M., Mrs S Roy and Mrs V Smith J.P.

336 MINUTES:

The Clerk submitted, for approval as a correct record, the minutes of the Meetings held on 16th November 2009 and 14th December 2009.

Resolved that the minutes, as submitted, be approved as a correct record.

337 MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE:

The Clerk submitted, for approval the minutes of the meetings held on 8th December 2009.

Resolved that the minutes, as submitted, be approved.

338 MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Clerk submitted, for approval the minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2009.

Resolved that the minutes, as submitted be approved subject to:-

Minute 328

Cllr G Jones proposed and resolved that the Freedom of the Town Sub-Committee consider the provision of a small Honours Board in the Council Chamber to record the names of those awarded the Freedom of the Town.

339 NORTH WALES POLICE AUTHORITY – OPERATION FOCUS:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration the following documents:-

- a) An email form North Wales Police Policy Officer
- b) A letter from the Chairman of North Wales Police Authority
- c) An email from Mr Andrew Woods

Members believed that Operation Focus is a policing issue and without all the relevant statistics it is not possible to make a realistic judgement.

Resolved that the Clerk write to the Police Authority with the member's comments.

340 CONWY STANDARDS COMMITTEE:

The Clerk submitted, for information, a copy of the Committee's Newsletter.

Resolved that the Newsletter be received and noted.

341 OMBUDSMAN FOR WALES – CODE OF CONDUCT DRAFT GUIDANCE:

The Clerk submitted, for consideration a letter and Draft Guidance on the Code of Conduct from the Ombudsman for Wales.

The Clerk reminded members that when dealing with the Press and/or Media to ensure that they do not give the impression that their individual views/opinions are that of the Council.

Resolved that the letter and Draft Guidance be received and noted.

342 PUBLIC MEETING:

The Clerk informed the members that Mr David Jones M.P. has arranged a Public Meeting to discuss the future of the Pier.

The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall on Friday 22nd January 2010 at 6pm.

The format of the meeting is not known at the present time.

Resolved that the information be received and noted.

343 TIMETABLES OF MEETINGS 2010-2011:

The Clerk submitted copies of the Timetable of Meetings for the Municipal Year 2010-2011.

The Clerk reminded members that the General Purposes and Planning Committee scheduled for 5th January 2010 would now be held on Monday 11th January 2010 at 6.30pm.

Resolved that the Timetable of Meetings be received and noted.

344 REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE NO2:

The report was regarding the proposed National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (Local Government) Order 2009.

The Clerk informed members that the Council's observations had been noted by the Committee (Reference LGCC5 and Reference Para 63.)

Resolved that the Report be received and noted.

The following items had not been specified on the Agenda but were considered as a matter of urgency, with the agreement of the Mayor, to avoid delay.

345 SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS TRIBUNAL FOR WALES:

Notification of a vacancy for a Lay-Member to sit on the Tribunal was submitted for information.

Resolved that the information be received and noted.

346 CASUAL VACANCY – GLYN WARD:

The Clerk informed the Members that Cllr Maratos had resigned from the Council and requested that the Council formally declare a Casual Vacancy in Glyn Ward.

Resolved that a Casual Vacancy be declared in Glyn Ward.

Further resolved that the Clerk informs the Elector's Department and Conwy C.B.C. of the vacancy.

347 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Mayor wished the members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and invited all present to join him for refreshments.

The Meeting closed at 6.50 p.m.