

Minutes of the meeting of Bangor City Council that was held at Penrhyn Hall on **11th**

**March 2024 at 6.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** - Her Worship the Mayor Cllr. Elin Walker Jones (Chair) Deputy Mayor Cllr. Gareth Parry, Cllr. Dylan Fernley, Cllr. Eirian Williams Roberts, Cllr. Gwynant Roberts, Cllr. Huw Wyn Jones, Cllr. John Wyn Jones, Cllr. John Wyn Williams, Cllr. L. Toth, Cllr. Mark Roberts, Cllr. Nigel Pickavance,

Officers:- Martin Hanks (City Director), Llinos F. Jones, (Deputy City Director), and Sioned Jones (Translator). Carwyn Davies (Administrator).

**124/23 Apologies:**

Cllr. Steve Bell, Cllr. Medwyn Hughes, Cllr. Delyth Russell, Cllr. Beverly Jones, Cllr. Meic Pattison.

**125/23 DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INTEREST OR PERSONAL CONNECTION.**

None

**126/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Cyngor Gwynedd Economic and Community regeneration project manager gave a presentation on an arts project for Bangor. The parameters of the project were outlined and various potential buildings identified.

**127/23 CITY DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

*The Report had been circulated before the meeting.*

The City Director reported that the £140k High Street improvement project is now almost complete and despite a few setbacks is due to be completed by the end of the week. Overall, we have received a lot of positive comments. It was reported that maintenance work at Menai Woods has progressed well. Further work will be required in the coming months. The North Wales Young Researchers competition was held in Penrhyn Hall on Saturday 23/03. The event was sponsored by Network Rail and Lloyds Bank and supported by Lancaster and Bangor Universities. S4C has shown great interest.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** To accept the City Director's Report.

**128/23 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE 11<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2024.**

The minutes of the Council meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> of February had been pre-circulated to Councillors.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**129/23 TO ACCEPT THE OFFER OF PAINTINGS FROM EUROPEAN ARTISTS**

During the recent visit by the representatives of people from Soest, artists had the opportunity to have their paintings exhibited in Storiel. They kindly offered to donate three of the paintings to the City Council.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** to accept the offer of the paintings from European artists.

### **130/23 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM Y NYTH TO PURCHASE A DEFIBRILLATOR.**

The Council was approached by The Nyth for a donation towards the purchase of a defibrillator. The Council was informed that a map of the defibrillators available around Bangor is being prepared.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** to donate £1500 towards the purchase of a defibrillator on the condition that it is located to allow public access.

### **131/23 TO DISCUSS THE FREEDOM OF BANGOR AWARDS.**

Supplemental to resolution 94/23 the Council discussed adding two more names to the freedom awards.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** to award Brian Williams and Gwyn Mowll the Freedom of Bangor.

### **132/23 TO APPROVE WORKSHOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BANGOR 2025 PREPERATIONS.**

It was discussed to appoint someone to work on the planning and organizing of events for the 2025 celebrations for one day a week.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** to appoint someone to work one day a week for the Council subject to the approval of the City Director. The City Director was authorized to establish a working group.

### **134/23 TO DISCUSS A REQUEST FOR THE RIGHT OF ACCESS AT PER CAR PARK.**

The Council was recently approached by a member of the public who owns a house on Garth Road. They wanted to create an access gate through the Pier car park to the back of their property to be able to park their cars.

**IT WAS RESOLVED:** to deny this proposal as the Council considered that approval could cause legal issues in the future.

### **135/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- i. C24/0158/11/TR – Land at Bryniau Farm, Minffordd, Bangor. Application to install single low voltage pole to raise overhead line.

**No Objection**

- ii. C24/0105/11/DT – 5-7 Lon Glan Mor, Bangor – Demolish existing lean-to and erect flat roof extension.

**No Objection**

**The meeting ended at 8.30 pm**

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