

Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> of February 2025 at 6.00PM

Councillors Present: Cllr Ailia Lewis MBE, Cllr Richard Parry, Cllr Adrienne Edwards, Cllr Susan McGinn, Cllr Pip O'Neill, Cllr John Chorlton, Cllr Hywel Williams, Cllr Alan Williams, Cllr Howard Browes. Online: Cllr Keith Roberts, Cllr Trefor Lloyd Hughes.

In Attendance: Robert Henderson (Town Clerk), Alex Williams (Administrative assistant) Nick Murphy (Tourism Officer), Efan Milner (IOACC)

- 1) Any Member or officer making a recording of this meeting? Yes, Alex Williams is taking minutes of the meeting.
- 2) Apologies of Absence were received from Cllr Cadi Evanson, Cllr Vaughan Williams, Cllr Glyn Haynes.
- 3) Declaration of interest was made by Cllr Keith Roberts, Cllr Pip O'Neill.
- 4) Presentation from Efan Milner IOACC and Ramboll on the development of the Crown Site.

A Brief presentation was made by Efan to discuss the possible opportunities of the former Crown Inn. The site has become derelict for some time and the proposal was for Anglesey Council to work alongside Ramboll and hand over the Crown Site to the town council as ownership to be maintained.

If the Town Council approves the ownership of the site during the meeting then there would be a public consultation for residents to have their say. Minute No. 5060/2025

4a) Revert to Full Council

It was proposed, first and seconded to revert to Full Council. Minute No. 5061/2025

4b) It was proposed, first and seconded to accept the ownership once the work has been completed for the Town Council to maintain the site. Minute No 5062/2025

4c) Revert back to F&GP.

It was proposed, first and seconded to revert back to F&GP. Minute No. 5063/2025

5) The Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, first & Seconded to be of true record. Minute No. 5064/2025

6) Receipts & Payments

The Receipts & Payments were proposed, first and seconded to be of true record, there were no queries or concerns from any Councillor. Minute No. 5065/2025

7) 8 Month Report

Cllr Howard Browes informed the committee that the 8 month report was thoroughly checked by the Finance & Property Committee. The Clerk added that there would not be a true reflection of the income & expenditure until months 9-10 but the 8 month report was needed to set the budget for the following year. The biggest loss to the Council this financial year was the fire accident in the Empire Cinema. As the cinema will be re-opening in the coming weeks, hoped to increase the income of the Complex. Minute No. 5066/2025

#### 8) Revert to Full Council

It was proposed, first & seconded to revert to Full Council. Minute No. 5067/2025

#### 9) Budget/Precept

The budget was explained to the Council by the Town Clerk. He explained that there were some increases such as National Insurance & Pension rise for employees. There was a grant to secure a refurbishment for Newry Toilets which was also included in the budget with a 10% Match Funding all of which would reflect in the budget for the next financial year.

The yearly increase to a Band D property would be 14.56 per year.

After a unanimous decision it was proposed, first and seconded to accept the Budget. Minute No. 5068/2025

Cllr Keith Roberts left the meeting. Minute No. 5069/2025

#### 10. Party in Y Parc

Nick Murphy presented to Council with the presentation from the Public Relations, Tourism & Events on the 28<sup>th</sup> January. The Council were please with the presentation and raised some concerns regarding the neighbours of Y Parc. It was discussed that they would benefit from a compensation from the Council. Nick informed the Council that the event would not run later than 10PM and that the final acts would be finished around 9.30PM. It was proposed, first and seconded to go ahead with the project. Cllr Howard Browes Abstained from taking a vote. Minute No. 5070/2025

#### 11. Donation Request – Holyhead High School

A Donation of £200 would be made to the High School for the school musical that the staff and children work on each year.

Cllr Pip O'Neill did not take part in this discussion and declared an interest as he is a Governor of the School. Minute No. 5071/2025