

Minutes of the Council's Annual Meeting - 7.00 pm, Tuesday 21st May 2019

Present: Cllr. Beryl Salisbury (Chairman)
Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones
Cllr. Gordon Owen
Cllr. William Victor Owen
Cllr. Siân Enfys Jones
Cllr. Sharon Wyn Parry
Cllr. Einir Thomas
Cllr. Dyfed Williams

1. PRESENTATION - MORLAIS MARINE ENERGY.

Morlais is a Menter Môn project that involves extracting energy generated by the horizontal tidal stream off Holy Island (the West Anglesey Tidal Demonstration Zone) and converting it to electricity. It has the potential to be the largest tidal stream energy site in the world with a maximum generating capacity of up to 240mw which is enough to power 180 thousand homes. Menter Môn have leased the site which comprises 37km² of sea bed until 2059. The first stage of the project aims to secure consent for the development and the objective is to develop long term sustainable income that will enable local people to capitalize on economic opportunities, attract new investment, secure renewable energy and safeguard the environment.

An application will be made to the Welsh Government later this year and they should reach their decision by early 2021. In the meantime the project group will continue to work with environmental and engineering experts, IOACC, Network Rail, Highways etc. and engage with local communities.

A number of questions were asked and Members were assured that environmental risk assessments were being carried out and that visual impact, tourism, terrestrial and marine fishing etc. will all be taken into consideration as part of the consultation process. They were also assured that a decommissioning bond had been put in place to ensure that all equipment is removed should the scheme come to an end.

Councils will be continually be updated and public meetings had been arranged as follows: Trearddur Bay Hotel on 11.6.2019, Ucheldre Centre on 12.6.2019 and Holyhead Town Hall on 17.6.2019.

2. Apologies: None

3. Minutes of the Annual Meeting Tuesday 15th May 2018.

It was agreed not to revisit these as they had been accepted previously.

4. Election of Officers 2019 – 2020

Chairman - With Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones proposing and Cllr. William Victor Owen seconding Cllr. Sharon Wyn Parry was elected as the Chairman.

Deputy Chairman - With Cllr. William Victor Owen proposing and Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones seconding Cllr. Dyfed Williams was elected as Deputy Chairman.

Cllr. Sharon Wyn Parry took over as Chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

5. Declaration of Interest – none.

6. Minutes of the meeting held on the 16th April 2019

The minutes were accepted as being correct (Proposed Cllr. Einir Thomas, seconded Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones)

7. Matters arising from the minutes.

1. Playing Field – It was agreed that the Clerk should approach Holyhead Town Council to see whether they could carry out work on the play equipment. She would also obtain a quote for replacing the signs on the play area.

2. Bus Shelter – the clerk would ask Valley Forge whether they could adapt the bus shelter by Tre Ifan.

3. Vacant Seats – Only one candidate had put their name forward in response to the Notice of Election, the clerk had informed him of the date of the meeting, and would issue the Declaration of Acceptance of Office etc.

4. Translation - the clerk would continue to try and find a translator.

5. Any other matters arising from the minutes:

Notice Board - the boards were likely to cost in excess of £2,000 each from the Sign Factory. The clerk would try and source a cheaper option and also obtain permission from the Village Hall Management Committee for putting one up against their boundary wall.

It was agreed that Cllr. Gordon Owen would arrange for the clothing recycling bin in the Greenough Yard to be removed as the clerk had not been able to identify who had placed it there.

8. Contracts / Pay and Conditions:

- a) Maintenance - it was agreed to increase the pay to £430 per annum for overseeing the play area etc.
- b) the clerk – the clerk’s pay was to continue to be linked to the Nationally agreed Local Authority pay scales.

9. Town and County Planning

9.1 Planning Decisions

FPL/2019/53 - Cymyran House, Caergeiliog.

Full application for the change of use of the ground floor from retail area (use class A1) into food preparation (use class B2) – Granted.

9.2 Planning Applications:

VAR/2019/28 Pen Y Llyn Caravan Park, Llanfair Yn Neubwll.

Application under Section 73A for the variation of condition (06)(Landscaping) of planning permission reference 32C39F (Extension to the existing touring caravan park to provide 15 additional touring caravans pitches) so as to allow landscaping scheme to be submitted after works have been completed – no objection.

9.3 **Pre-Application Discussion Document: Parc Solar Traffwll**

It was noted that this had been referred to the Community Council by IOACC, they would collate feedback and refer it back to the Planning Inspectorate (Welsh Government Office) who would be deciding on the application.

The Community Council was already aware that those residing in close proximity to the proposed sites were totally opposed to the solar farm project, their views were to be put forward as part of the initial consultation process.

Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones and Cllr. Richard Dew reported that it had been suggested to them that there could be community benefits should the application be successful. Members were of the view that any financial incentive would have to be generous and sustained throughout the term of the lease if it were to help compensate for the long term negative impact of the development.

10. Correspondence - the following correspondence were noted:

- 1. Executive's forward work programme – submitted and noted.
- 2. Training and Development for Councillors and Clerks - The Standards Committee wanted Town and Community Councils to agree on their training plans for Clerks and Members for the year. These plans were to be shared with the Standards

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Committee by 31 July 2019.

3. Town and Community Councils - Copies of the summaries of the cases involving elected members, as recently considered by the Adjudication Panel for Wales (APW) and by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales (PSOW) were brought to the attention of members as part of continued training and development.
4. Joint One Voice Wales and Planning Aid Wales Network Event / Conference -
5. One Voice Wales - News Bulletin
6. Dan Do Môn Newsletter
7. Letter from Mr Dylan Owen Rural Housing Enabler – it was agreed that he should be asked to attend the next meeting.

11. Financial Matters

Submitted and confirmed the Financial Report for April 2019 together with Bank Reconciliations and Statements.

Bank Balances 21.5.2019 - Current Account £13,580.26, Deposit Account £3,928.64

12. Payments to be made:

Salary (April)	£237.09	BHIB Insurance	£1625.63
GMS INV-5040	£108	F Rowlands	£180

13. Statutory documents

It was agreed that no changes were required to the Financial Regulations or Standing Orders and all Members had accepted the current Code of Conduct. Cllr. Dyfed Williams agreed to assist the clerk with conducting a further risk assessment.

14. Any Other Matters

Cllr. Victor Owen reported that a new entrance had been created into the field by Minffordd Cottage, Llanfihangel yn Nhowyn, the clerk would make enquiries with the planning department.

15. Next Meeting – 18 June 2019.

SignatureChairman