

At a meeting of the **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held via video conference on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 commencing at 6.00pm.

**PRESENT**

Councillor A. J. Rutherford (Chair)

Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, Mrs E. M. Chard, A. R. James, A. S. Johnson, B. Jones, K. R. Jones, Mrs D. L. King, B. Mellor, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, P. Prendergast, Ms V. Roberts, T. Thomas, R. Turner and Miss C. L. Williams.

Mr G. J. Nickels – Town Clerk  
Miss H. J. Windus – Deputy Town Clerk

**27. APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No apologies were received.

The Town Clerk reported that he had received an unusual package in the post containing a trophy or chalice with the words 'Rhyl Eisteddfod 1907 Conductor of Prize Mixed Choir' engraved on it.

The chalice came with a letter signed off by 'Redeemed of Canterbury' and advising that the chalice had been 'liberated' from a pub in Canterbury in 1991, long since closed, and that it had always been their ambition to return it to its proper home.

The Town Clerk advised that there was no Rhyl Eisteddfod in 1907 and so the item was something of a mystery.

***RESOLVED*** that the Town Clerk to report the trophy to the Police and keep it in the Mayor's Parlour until a rightful owner could be identified.

**28. PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS REPORT (SCHEDULE A) FEBRUARY – MARCH 2021**

The Chair referred to the Town Clerk's report (circulated with agenda) detailing the schedule of payments made and income received.

Voucher No.	Supplier name	Amount £	Description of Goods & Services
1105	Rhyl Community Association	2,625.00	TNCC Management Fees 20/21 Q4
1110	Denbighshire County Council	32,622.00	SC2 Loan 20/21 payment 3 of 3
1111	HSBC	6.50	Bank charges 17/12/20 – 16/01/21
1112	Gunsmoke Communications	1,440.00	Management Fee January 2021
985	Benefit Advice Shop	916.67	Appeals Officer 20/21 payment 11 of 12
1113	HMRC	2,804.50	PAYE deductions January 2021
1114	Clwyd Pension Fund	4,294.23	Pensions deductions & deficit funding January 2021

Voucher No.	Supplier name	Amount £	Description of Goods & Services
1115	RTC Staff	7,403.85	Staff salaries February 2021
	<b>Total payments</b>	<b>£52,112.75</b>	

Category	Description	Amount
Santander	Interest on 31 Day Notice Account	23.57
HSBC	Interest on 7 Day Deposit	0.77
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	<b>Total income</b>	<b>£26.65</b>

**RESOLVED** that the report was approved.

**29. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS/ADDITIONS TO APPROVED SUPPLIERS LIST (SCHEDULE B)**

Further to minute no.143 of the meeting of Council held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and in accordance with the council's adopted financial regulations, the Chair referred to the Town Clerk's submitted schedule B (a list of non-regular payments to be released over the coming month) (circulated with agenda).

Voucher No.	Supplier Name	Description of Service	Amount £
1136	Sioned Graham-Cameron	Translation services	150.76
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£150.76</b>

**RESOLVED** that the schedule was approved for payment, and would be signed by two councillors in due course.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Town Clerk to respond as a matter of urgency.

**30. PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF VINYLs ON HIGH STREET BUILDINGS**

The Town Clerk referred to Denbighshire County Council's request to add the town council's logo to vinyls to be attached to buildings undergoing works on the high street (circulated with agenda) and to an email he had sent to all members for their consideration.

The Town Clerk advised that he had had a mixed response from members and sought further direction.

On being put to the vote, it was **RESOLVED** that the town council approves of its logo being included on the vinyls.

**[Councillor B. Jones declared a prejudicial interest in the above item due it falling within his portfolio as a Denbighshire County Council Cabinet member, and took no part in discussions or voting thereon]**

**31. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

***RESOLVED*** that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960, on the grounds of confidentiality.

**32. ANNUAL RISK REVIEW 2020/21 AND FORWARD PLAN 2021/22**

The Town Clerk presented the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee’s confidential report (circulated with agenda) outlining the work it had undertaken during 2020/21 and its proposed work plan for 2021/22, for members’ approval.

In a related matter, a member raised a concern about public access to the play area and green space attached to Rhyl Rugby Club, when it was created using commuted sums monies.

***RESOLVED*** that:

- (i) *the review and forward plan were approved.*
- (ii) *the Town Clerk to contact the relevant commuted sums officer at Denbighshire County Council to ask about public access to the space and for notices to be displayed around the site to make access clear.*
- (iii) *The Town Clerk to look into the use of future commuted sums being considered by the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee.*

**33. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting.

Chair: .....

Date: .....