

Rhuddlan Town Council - Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Rhuddlan Town Council held at Rhuddlan Community Centre on 11th May 2017 at 6.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllrs Sara King, Ann Davies, Jackie Burnham, Heather Ellis, Andy Smith, Arwel Roberts, Gareth Rowlands, Gareth Smith, Mike Kermode, Reg Davies, Syd Gaskin, Town Clerk.

Ten members of the public were present

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies

2. 2016/17 MAYOR'S FAREWELL SPEECH

The retiring Mayor, Cllr Sara King welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Cllrs and members of the public for helping raise money to donate to her chosen charities. The Mayor stated that she felt honoured to be part of a team that have worked hard to improve services in Rhuddlan. The Mayor also thanked everybody for supporting her events which raised a total of £4,818 to donate to her chosen charities.

The following were acknowledged for support during the Mayors term of office.

Denise Barlow - presented with flowers.

Dawn Duringer (Consort) - presented with flowers.

Gill Foster - presented with a photograph.

Hazel Morris - presented with flowers.

A cheque for £1k was presented to the Rhuddlan Events Committee, this being the Town Council's financial contribution towards forthcoming events.

Pat Riley - presented with flowers.

A cheque for £800 was presented to the Rhuddlan Community Group, this being the Town Council's financial contribution towards purchasing plants and display equipment.

The Town Clerk - presented with flowers.

The following were presented with cheques from money raised by the Mayor:

Sylvia Edwards - a cheque for £409 was presented to Cylch Meithrin.

Lara, Wayne & Luke Davies – a cheque for £4k was presented to Luke's Fund.

A cheque for Rhuddlan 1st Scouts for £409 was set aside for Malcolm and Carol Boyton who attended the Town Council meeting later on in the evening.

3. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR 2017/18

Nominations were requested for 2017/18 Mayor. Cllr Andy Smith was nominated and was elected. The incoming Mayor accepted the Chain of Office and took Chair of the meeting.

4. 2017/18 MAYOR'S WELCOME SPEECH

The Mayor, Cllr Andy Smith congratulated the previous Mayor, Cllr Sara King on her energy and the amount she raised through fundraising. The Mayor said that he was honoured to represent Rhuddlan Town Council and is looking forward to his role over the next 12 months. His chosen charity is Breast Cancer Wales. He congratulated all Cllrs on being re-elected and welcomed new Cllr Heather Ellis to the meeting. Cllr Andy Smith welcomed his wife Sue as his mayoress.

5. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR 2017/18

Nominations were requested for the role of Deputy Mayor 2017/18. Cllr Gareth Rowlands was nominated and elected. Cllr Gareth Rowlands took the chain of office. The Mayor suggested that the Deputy Mayor should have a chain for such occasions when he is representing the Mayor at functions. It was resolved that the Town Clerk look at costings.

6. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The Mayor presented medals to: the previous Mayor, Cllr Sara King, Consort Dawn Duringer, Deputy Mayor, Cllr Gareth Rowlands.

7. APPOINTMENTS:

a. Internal Committees/Working Groups:

Information/Web-site Committee: Cllr Jackie Burnham, Gareth Smith, Mike Kermode, Gareth Rowlands and Andy Smith.

Personnel Committee

Ex-Mayor (Cllr Sara King), Mayor (Cllr Andy Smith) who has the casting vote, Deputy Mayor (Cllr Gareth Rowlands) Cllr Arwel Roberts (Chairman), Cllr Mike Kermode (as adviser).

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Cllrs: Gareth Rowlands, Arwel Rowlands, Syd Gaskin, Heather Ellis, Mayor, Town Clerk.

b. EXTERNAL BODIES:

North Wales and Mid Wales Association of Local Councils – Cllrs Mike Kermode & Gareth Smith. This to be reviewed in the Autumn.

One Voice Wales – Cllr Mike Kermode

Denbighshire CCTV Partnership – Cllr Gareth Rowlands and Cllr Syd Gaskin in reserve.

Rhuddlan Community Association – Mayor

Governor Ysgol y Castell – Cllr Arwel Roberts

Rhuddlan Local Nature Reserve – Cllr Gareth Rowlands

8. CHEQUE SIGNATORIES

A new bank mandate to be set up with the following signatories – Cllrs: Andrew Smith, Reg Davies, Gareth Rowlands & Arwel Roberts.

SignedCllr Andy Smith – Mayor.

Date