

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 11 February 2022

PRESENT: Councillor Glyn Haynes (Chair)
Councillor Dafydd Roberts (Vice-Chair)

Councillors R Dew, John Griffith, Richard Griffiths, K P Hughes, T LI Hughes MBE, Vaughan Hughes, Llinos Medi Huws, A M Jones, Carwyn Jones, Richard Owain Jones, G O Jones, Alun W Mummy, Bryan Owen, Bob Parry OBE FRAGS, Gary Pritchard, Dylan Rees, Alun Roberts, Margaret Murley Roberts, P S Rogers, Dafydd Rhys Thomas and Ieuan Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive,
Deputy Chief Executive,
Director of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer,
Director of Education, Skills and Young People,
Director of Social Services,
Interim Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer,
Head of Highways, Waste and Property,
Head of Social Services,
Architectural Services Manager (GT),
Communications Officer (GJ),
Committee Officer (MEH).

ALSO PRESENT: None

APOLOGIES: Councillors Eric W Jones, R Meirion Jones, J Arwel Roberts, Nicola Roberts and Robin Williams.

Head of Profession (Human Resources) and Transformation, Head of Regulation and Economic Development.

ANNOUNCEMENTS RECEIVED BY THE CHAIR

The Chair made the following announcements:-

Congratulations was extended to Hannah Baguley, Community Warden in the Countryside Team on winning the photography completion which was broadcasted on S4C recently.

Congratulations to the staff of the Authority's Leisure Centres as the swimming pools at Amlwch, Holyhead and Llangefni have become the first in Wales to be awarded the PoolMark Standard – the UK National Standard for operating healthy pools.

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Condolences was extended to the former Leader of the Council and Chairman, Mr Gareth Winston Roberts and his family on the tragic loss of their son Marc due to a road traffic accident on the Britannia Bridge recently.

Condolences was extended to any Member of the Council or Staff who have suffered a bereavement.

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Dylan Rees declared a personal interest in Item 3 – Canolfan Addysg y Bont – Roof. Having attained legal advice Councillor Rees was able to take part and vote in respect of this item.

2. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Councillor Bryan Owen ascertained as to why the matter as regards to the roof of Canolfan Addysg y Bont is to be discussed under the exclusion of the press and public as it is evident that there is a problem with the roof structure and the matter has been discussed previously by the full Council.

The Interim Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer responded that the Public Interest Test has been completed as regards to this item as the matter falls under the Local Government Act 1972. However, it is a decision for the full Council to exclude the press and public but the legal advice is that the item remains exempt.

It was RESOLVED:-

“Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on the following item as it may involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test.”

3. CANOLFAN ADDYSG Y BONT - ROOF

Submitted – a report by the Head of Highways, Waste and Property in relation to the above.

The Portfolio Holder for Highways, Waste and Property said that as has been previously reported to the Full Council, issues have been discovered with defects across the roof structure which requires extensive roof repairs and further funding is required to cover any increased works and unforeseen works, should they arise.

The Head of Highways, Waste and Property and the Architectural Services Manager gave a verbal update on the current situation at Canolfan Addysg y Bont and presented the written report which had already been provided to Members.

It was confirmed that legal negotiations in respect of liability continues to take place a present.

Further questions were asked by Members, to which Officers responded.

Members of the County Council were in agreement that the well-being of the pupils affected by the roof repairs required at Canolfan Addysg y Bont are paramount and any disruption to their education should be kept to the minimum reasonably possible. The Director of Education, Skills and Young People said that daily contact is undertaken with the Head of Canolfan Addysg y Bont as to the current arrangements to accommodate the pupils in different locations is acceptable.

It was RESOLVED unanimously to authorise the :-

- **release a further £1.5m from the Council’s General Reserves;**
- **Head of Highways, Waste and Property to make the necessary arrangements for the construction of the remedial works and to place a direct award of the contract to the specialist supplier without the delays and uncertainties associated with following a full procurement process;**
- **Head of Highways, Waste and Property in consultation with the Director of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer and the Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer to continue with a claim to recover the cost of the remedial works and all other associated costs from any party(ies) deemed liable for the defective construction of the roof.**

The meeting concluded at 1.20 pm

**COUNCILLOR GLYN HAYNES
CHAIR**