

**MINUTES of a MEETING**  
of the  
**GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
held in the  
Council Chamber, BUCKLEY  
on  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**PRESENT**

Councillor A Woolley - in the Chair

Cllr C A Ellis  
Cllr D Ellis  
Cllr I D Howes  
Cllr R B Jones  
Cllr M J Peers

Cllr S Peers  
Cllr I Peters  
Cllr N Phillips  
Cllr C M Preece

Cllr E L Preece  
Cllr P G Shone  
Cllr J F Thornton  
Cllr A G Williams

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr M B Wright – Town Clerk & Financial Officer  
Mrs L George – Personal Assistant

**17218- APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence and reasons were received and approved from Councillors V E Blondek (illness), E J Hutchinson (holiday), H D Hutchinson (holiday), J S Jones (family commitments), W A Lewis (family commitments) and M P Teire (holiday).

**17219- DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

One Declaration of Interest was made in relation to Agenda item 5 – Flintshire Citizens Advice Bureau Statistics, by Councillor A Woolley. It was –

*Resolved – that the Declaration of Interest was noted.*

**17220- MINUTES**

*Resolved - that the Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2018, as now submitted, be signed by the Committee Chair.*

**17221- TOWN CENTRE MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT**

The Town Centre Manager's monthly report provided information on new shops opening in the town, however, it was also reported that the Factory Shop would be closing its doors in the near future. The decision was a national one not a local one. The report also gave details of the successful Jubilee. It was –

*Resolved – that the Town Centre Manager's report be received, noted and approved.*

**17222- FLINTSHIRE CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU STATISTICS**

The Committee received the usage statistics from the Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) in respect of the Buckley Outreach Office, for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Members were asked to note that of the 41 people who attended the Outreach office, 28 were from Buckley. It was –

*Resolved – that the usage statistics for the Citizens Advice Bureau, Buckley Outreach office for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 be received and noted.*

**17223- ONGOING MATTERS FOLLOWING THE MAYOR'S MEETING WITH THE MP, AMs AND STAFF FROM FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AND BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL – 8<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018**

The Committee received an update in relation to the meeting that the Mayor had held with the MP, AMs and staff from Flintshire County Council and Buckley Tow Council on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018. In particular the Committee was advised that the Enterprise and Regeneration Manager, Flintshire County Council, had informed the Clerk that he was not aware of any particular programmes of support currently available and applicable to Buckley with regard to any form of regeneration. It was –

*Resolved – that the information be received and noted.*

**17224- LACK OF RESPONSE TO CORRESPONDENCE BY FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Committee received a report from the Clerk which advised it that on numerous occasions correspondence to Flintshire County Council would not be responded to for an extended period. Members also stated that they, at times, received no or late responses to their communications with Flintshire County Council. It was therefore –

*Resolved – that the Clerk be instructed to forward correspondence to the Chief Executive, Flintshire County Council, outlining the concerns of the Council with regard to receiving responses to correspondence, the correspondence to ask four questions, those being:-*

- 1. To receive the timeline quoted for responding to correspondence in the Shared Charter.*
- 2. To receive the timeline quoted for correspondence in Flintshire County Council's Public Charter.*
- 3. To request the monitoring process in place to ensure that the conditions of 1 and 2 above are complied with.*
- 4. The results of the monitoring exercises conducted for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018.*

**17225- ITEMS TABLED FOR MEMBERS' PERUSAL**

The following items were tabled for Members' perusal:-

1. FLVC e-bulletin – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018.
2. Low Carbon Pathway to 2030 – Consultation.
3. FDF Newsletter July 2018 – Annual General Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2018.

*Resolved – that the above items tabled for Members' perusal be received and noted.*

**CHAIR**