



PRESTATYN
TOWN COUNCIL

7 Nant Hall Road
Prestatyn
LL19 9LR

10th December 2014

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend meeting of **FULL COUNCIL** to be held in Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Nant Hall Road, Prestatyn, on **Wednesday 17th December 2014 at 6:20pm.**

Yours sincerely

Town Clerk

PRAYERS will be held prior to commencement.

Agenda

- 1 APOLOGIES
- 2 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS
- 3 MINUTES 08.10.14
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- 4 MINUTES OF OTHER COMMITTEES
Town Planning Cttee – 08.10.14
Community Development and Regeneration Cttee – 05.11.14
Town Planning Cttee – 05.11.14
Community Endeavour Awards – 25.11.14
Delegated Planning Cttee – 09.11.14



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TREF PRESTATYN

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10fed Rhagfyr 2014

Annwyl Gynghorydd

Fe'ch gwahoddir i gyfarfod o'r **CYNGOR LLAWN** yn Siambr y Cyngor, Swyddfeydd y Cyngor, Ffordd Llys Nant, Prestatyn ar **Ddydd Mercher 17^{eg} Rhagfyr 2014 am 6.20pm.**

Yn gywir

Clerc y Dref

Bydd GWEDDIAU cyn cychwyn

Agenda

- 1 YMDDIHEURIADAU
- 2 CYFATHREBIADAU'R MAER
- 3 COFNODION 08.10.14
Mae copi wedi'i atodi
- 4 COFNODION PWYLLGORAU ERAILL
Pwyllgor Cynllunio Tref – 08.10.14
Pwyllgor Adfywio a Datblygu Cymuned – 05.11.14
Pwyllgor Cynllunio Tref – 05.11.14
Gwobrau Cymunedol am Ymdrech - 25.11.14
Pwyllgor Cynllunio Dirprwyedig - 09.11.14

5 PRESTATYN YOUTH SERVICE
To consider report from Mr S. Goldsmith,
Lead Officer Leisure and Assets,
Denbighshire County Council
(Copy attached)

5 GWASANAETH IEUENCTID PRESTATYN
Ystyried adroddiad gan Mr S. Goldsmith,
Swyddog Arweiniol Hamdden ac Asedau,
Cyngor Sir Ddinbych
(Mae copi wedi'i atodi)

To: All Town Councillors
Mayor's Chaplain
Prestatyn & Meliden County Councillors
Officers and Press Representatives
Prestatyn Library
Mr T. Brown - Internal Auditor
www.atprestatyn.co.uk

I'r: Cynghorwyr i Gyd
Caplan y Maer
Cynghorwyr Sir Prestatyn a Gallt Melyd
Swyddogion a Chynrychiolwyr y Wasg
Llyfrgell Prestatyn
Mr T. Brown - Archwiliwr Mewnol
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Report To: Prestatyn Town Council

Head of Service: Jamie Groves: Head of Communications, Marketing & Leisure

Date: 3rd December 2014

Report Author: Sion Goldsmith: Lead Officer Assets & Communities

Title: Briefing: Prestatyn Youth Club & Popeth Cymraeg

1. What is the report about?

- 1.1 The report is to inform Prestatyn Town Council of an approach from Popeth Cymraeg who have expressed an interest in developing a Welsh Language Centre in Prestatyn and identified Prestatyn Youth Centre as a possible location.

2. Background Information

- 2.1 Popeth Cymraeg / Welsh Unlimited, a charitable company limited by guarantee was founded in 1988. Since then the company has flourished and established a Welsh Learning Centre in both Denbigh and Llanrwst and have for some time been looking to establish a new centre in Prestatyn.
- 2.2 Popeth Cymraeg is the only centre in the North that specialises in the Unlimited Learning (De-Suggestopedia) method originally pioneered by Bulgarian Psychologist Dr. Georgi Lozanov back in the seventies. It has now spread all over the world and is seen as a far more effective means of teaching languages than other methods.
- 2.3 The company offers courses across the North in community centres, libraries and other shared venues including the youth centre but has for many years aspired to have a more permanent venue in the North of Denbighshire. There are already lots of learners in and around Prestatyn but it is felt that having a standalone centre would allow the learners to develop their skills in an appropriate setting with the emphasis on Welsh language and culture.
- 2.4 Communications, Marketing and Leisure (CML) were approached in March 2014 by Popeth Cymraeg seeking venue options for this new centre. They had initially looked for sites within Prestatyn town centre but unfortunately had been unable to find anything that met their needs or was available.

- 2.5 CML operates a number of assets in and around Prestatyn and it was felt that there was an opportunity to investigate the possibility of developing Prestatyn Youth Centre into this Welsh Language Centre on the proviso that Youth Services and other community groups would continue to use the facilities to deliver their programmes.
- 2.6 In the Freedom and Flexibilities exercise carried out by CML, it was identified that Youth Services needed to look at new ways of working, encourage partnerships, share facilities and reduce unnecessary building costs.
- 2.7 Initial discussion with Popeth Cymraeg regarding this approach have been warmly welcomed. They are keen to look at a long term lease of at least 25 years. They would make investment in the property to bring it up to standard and continue to offer accommodation for Youth Services and other community groups. They acknowledge that having a youth group and other community groups based at the centre would complement their aspirations of encouraging more welsh learners to attend the centre.
- 2.8 This is not a new model. In 2012, CML transferred the freehold of Corwen Healthy Living Centre over to a charitable organisation known as the South Denbighshire Community Partnership. They took on a property with significant repair and maintenance issues but by the time of transfer had already secured over £250,000 of Big Lottery funding to improve the facilities. All the community groups benefited and Youth Services continued to deliver from the site without incurring any costs associated with operating a building.

3.0 How will it impact on Youth Services?

- 3.1 Youth Services will still continue to operate sessions from the centre with no impact or disruption on the delivery of youth work.
- 3.2 Youth Services will be further able to support local primary schools with after school sessions by releasing the community youth workers time from directly managing the building. This will see the number of sessions increase.
- 3.3 The office functions and drop in sessions will relocate to Prestatyn Library + and Prestatyn Leisure Centre. The library option will allow young people to access these services centrally in town whilst also being encouraged to use the library and its resources.
- 3.4 Youth Services and Library Services will be moving forward to provide joint community based courses for young people aged 11-25 with the aim to improve the skills of these young people and allow them to access further education, training or employment.
- 3.5 Youth Services will work directly with Popeth Cymraeg to engage young people in and around Prestatyn in Welsh language courses. This will encourage them to learn, improve or use Welsh locally and create further opportunities for employment.

4.0 Next Steps

- 4.1 Popeth Cymraeg Directors have visited the site and are now keen to investigate this option further. As part of this, CML would need to provide new property condition surveys, searches on land / title, a valuation of the property and data on the operational costs such as NNDR (rates) and utilities. This information would allow Popeth Cymraeg to make a more informed decision.
- 4.2 A transfer would not only allow the group to seek grants to modernise/improve the facilities, which would not otherwise be available to the Council, but would also reduce costs associated with property such as NNDR, utilities, cleaning, repair and maintenance. These costs are approximately £14,000 per year but exclude unforeseen one - off expenditure on mechanical and electrical plant or roofing repairs

4.0. Risk

- 4.1 This project supports our corporate priority of 'regenerating our communities'. If we fail to transfer this facility to the group there is a risk that Youth Services would be unable to continue to financially support this facility in the future.

5.0 Recommendations

- 5.1 To continue to work with Popeth Cymraeg to facilitate the development of a Welsh Language Centre / community hub at Prestatyn Youth Centre.

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