

MINUTES OF THE HYBRID COUNCIL MEETING OF SALTNEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 24 JUNE 2026 AT SALTNEY COMMUNITY CENTRE, SANDY LANE, SALTNEY.

PRESENT: Mayor, Councillor A Roberts, , Councillors, M Anderson, J Brett-Roberts, P Brett-Roberts, B Gregory, E Gregory, Ros Griffiths, R Lloyd, J Shallcross, Kim Shallcross and T Brown, Town Clerk.

26. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors M Anderson, R McKeown, M Robinson and S Rodham.

27. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS – PERSON WISHING TO SPEAK

There was one member of the public in attendance.

28. CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declaration of Interest made.

29. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That

the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on Wednesday, 13 May 2026 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

30. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

31. POLICE MATTERS

No representative was available to attend in person.

Concerns have been raised again about to Police presence in Saltney. Councillor Ross Griffiths will be meeting with Police and Crime Commissioner Andy Dunbobbin in August re police presence in Broughton it was agreed that Councillors Richard Lloyd and Jasson Shallcross should also attend to raise concerns in Saltney.

[Saltney Mold Junction | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk)

[Saltney Stonebridge | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk)

RESOLVED: That

The report be noted.

32. STREETSCENE

Members were informed that John Griffiths from Streetscene is away from work at the moment. Saltney Town Council wish him well and speedy recovery.

Issues with dog bins overflowing around the township, which was particularly bad with the hot weather.

33. MAYORS COMMUNICATION

Been quiet so far but lots of civic events coming up in the next month or so.

RESOLVED: That

the Mayors report be received.

34. ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR END ACCOUNTS 2025/26 (as at 31.3.26)

Members were asked to receive and approve the Annual Return, prior to submission to the External Auditor and to approve the Annual Accounting Statement.

The Clerk explained that there were some slightly revised figures on the Annual Statement and the Annual Return to what had been circulated. Due to a query raised in the annual audit process.

Members agreed to the amendments and approved the year end accounts for 2025-26.

RESOLVED: That

the end of year accounts as at 31 March 2026 and the Annual Accounting Statement be approved with the amendments as reported.

35. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2025/26

The Clerk updated Members on the internal audit report for 2025-26 and ask that the Finance and General Purposes Committee continue to work on the action plan.

The Clerk reported that the actions raised in the 2025-26 internal audit process had been actioned accordingly.

RESOLVED: That

the internal auditors report for 2025/26 be approved and that Finance and General Purposes Committee continue to work on the action plan reporting periodically to Council.

36. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ONE VOICE WALES 2026-27

The Town Council had been invited to renew it's One Voice Wales membership for 2026-27 at a cost of £1056 for the year.

Members asked if it was found to be value for money with the increasing cost in training given the training had been conducted online since lockdown but has steadily increased.

The Clerk was asked if she thought it was value for money, she replied One voice Wales was more than training. It was there for advice and support to both the Council and the Clerk.

RESOLVED: That

the renewal of £1056 for the Town Council's membership with One Voice Wales for a further 12 months commencing April 2026-27 be approved.

37. COMMUNITY REVIEWS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DEMOCRACY) (WALES) ACT 2025 – FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT

Members noted the report and asked the Clerk to comment that Saltney is one ward and should be Saltney and Saltney Ferry ward and not Saltney Ferry which is what it is shown as in the report although this is in line with Flintshire County Councils boundary.

RESOLVED: That

the report be noted.

38. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SLCC FOR 2026-27

The Town Council had been invited to renew its SLCC membership for 2026-27 at a cost of £379 for the year.

RESOLVED: That

the renewal of £379 for the Town Council's membership with SLCC for a further 12 months commencing April 2026-27 be approved.

39. REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY DONATION

The Clerk had received a request for a community donation from - [Mold Food Festival – The Best Food Festival in Flintshire](#)

RESOLVED: That

the request for the community donation to Mold Food Festival be declined.

40. ACCOUNTS

There were no accounts reported due to the bank statement had not been received in time for the meeting.

41. NOTICE OF MOTION

A Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillors Kim Shallcross and Aled Roberts, was considered, that Saltney Town Council be asked to write to Flintshire County Councils Education Department requesting an update on the current position regarding the continued public access to the educational land adjacent to the Saltney Community Centre, Sandy Lane, Saltney.

The Educational land adjacent to the Saltney Community Centre represents a valuable local asset for the local residents of Saltney. Following the erection of a fence and locked gate, members of the community have expressed an interest in understanding the current position regarding access to the field and any future plans that may affect its use. The site had been used frequently by walkers over many years which had increased due to restrictions in access to the football field nearby.

An update from Flintshire County Council would enable the Town Council to keep residents informed and to consider any possible opportunities that may arise for the community benefit.

Therefore, Saltney Town Council requests information for any plans and proposals regarding future access arrangements, any anticipated timescales for decisions, or works affecting the residents access to the site.

The Clerk be asked to write to Flintshire County Councils Education Department to request the information as detailed above, and report back to the Town Council at the earliest opportunity.

RESOLVED: That

the Clerk be asked to write to Flintshire County Councils Education Department requesting an update on the current position regarding the continued public access to the educational land adjacent to the Saltney Community Centre, Sandy Lane, Saltney.

QUESTIONS

There were no questions to the Clerk or the Mayor.

42. INFORMATION FROM THE LOCAL COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Lloyd congratulated Councillor Jason Shallcross on being appointed as Cabinet Member for Housing, he said he will do a great job.

It was also reported that the Connect Service would be in the Community Centre every Monday 9.00am-4.30pm from Monday 6 July. This is good news item for the residents of Saltney.

Councillor Shallcross reported that the Town Centre Property Improvement Grant had two applications submitted for Saltney this is also a good news item as we had to fight hard as councillors to get Saltney included.

43. PAYMENTS OF ACCOUNTS

Payment of the following accounts.

Code	Cheque No.	Payee	Invoice	Amount
4000	100648	Staff	Payroll for June 2026 as calculated by the Council's Agent: Workplace Ltd, in accordance with Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (as per Payroll schedule)	
4001	100649	HMRC	HMRC payments for June 2026 - as calculated by the Council's Agent: Workplace Ltd -Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (as per Payroll schedule)	

4360	100644	Flintshire County Council	Annual payment for Riverside Walk	2,000.00
4008	100645	T Brown	Office shredder and stamps	195.78
4012	100646	S Durrands	Year End closure of accounts	495.00
4030	100647	Audit Wales	Audit Payments for multiple years audits	5,579.00
4030	100650	JDH Business Services Ltd	Internal Audit 2025-26	1,195.20
4005 4043	100651	One Voice Wales	Annual Conference – TB/JS	198.00
4008	100652	Vision ICT Ltd	Website Hosting 05.26-04.27	392.40
4350	100563	Blachere UK Ltd	Last payment for Christmas lights	7,488.36

NB: Monthly				
4008	SO	Sandyford Properties Ltd	Office Rent	360.00
4022	DD	Information Commissioner	Annual fee	35.00
4020	DD	Prism	Telecoms	102.00
4003	DD	Prism	Internet provision	163.99
4011	DD	Wurkplace Ltd	Payroll	74.17

Chairman

Date: