

**MINUTES OF THE HYBRID COUNCIL MEETING OF SALTNEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11 JUNE 2025 AT SANDY LANE COMMUNITY CENTRE, SANDY LANE, SALTNEY.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor, R Griffiths, Mayor, Councillors, A B Gregory, E Gregory, A Roberts, M Robinson, J Shallcross, K Shallcross and T Brown, Town Clerk.

**26. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors, J Brett Roberts, P Brett Roberts, R McKeown, and R Lloyd

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

There were 3 members of the public in attendance who spoke in relation to agenda item 12 – Consultation – Proposal to Reorganise Saltney Ferry County Primary School and Wood Memorial County Primary School, Saltney.

**28. CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors A B Gregory as School Governor of St Anthonys Primary School, Councillors E Gregory and K Shallcross School Governors at Saltney Ferry County Primary School, and A Roberts as School Governor at Wood Memorial County Primary School.

**29. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED: That**

the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on Wednesday, 14 May 2025 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.

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

**32. STREETSCENE**

The Clerk agreed to report any issues raised at the meeting.

*The Mayor varied the order of business*

### **33. CONSULTATION - PROPOSAL TO REORGANISE SALTNEY FERRY COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND WOOD MEMORIAL COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL, SALTNEY**

Two members of the public spoke in relation to the consultation and the impact the reorganisation would have on their children and the logistics of getting to and from school. It was explained to the parents that the decision was not a Town Council one.

The Consultation document for the proposal to reorganise Saltney Ferry County Primary and Saltney Wood Memorial County Primary would be available to view and download from Flintshire County Councils website.

<https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/School-Modernisation-Related/Proposal-To-Reorganise-Saltney-Ferry-C.P-And-Saltney-Wood-Memorial-C.P.aspx>

The consultation commenced on 3 June 2025 and would run until Midnight on 18 July 2025.

The consultation was required to take place for at least 42 days with at least 20 of these being school days.

The consultation provided stakeholders with an opportunity to ask questions, make comments, and share their views on the proposals being put forward. Responses to the consultation would be reviewed carefully when Flintshire County Council consider whether the proposal should be taken forward to implementation.

The consultation document was published in hard copy, if you require a paper copy of this document, or a copy of the document in a different format for example braille or large print, or help with interpretation in a different language, please contact the School Modernisation Team on 01352 704018, 01352 704014 or 01352 702188, or e-mail [saltneyconsultations@flintshire.gov.uk](mailto:saltneyconsultations@flintshire.gov.uk)

Members agreed that the item be deferred to the next Council meeting.

**RESOLVED: That**

the item be deferred to the Council meeting in July.

### **34. MAYORS COMMUNICATION**

The Mayor reported that she had started her civic year off by attending Civic Services from neighbouring Town and Community Councils. The Lord Mayors, Civic Service at Chester Cathedral, which was a really lovely day.

**RESOLVED: That**

the report be noted.

### **35. PLANNING APPLICATION**

Ref No: COU/000355/25

Proposal: Change of Use from and Existing Former Public House to a House of Multiple Occupation (HMO)

Location: 186, CORNER PIN, High Street, Saltney, Chester, CH4 8SQ

[https://digital.flintshire.gov.uk/FCC\\_Planning/Home/Details?refno=COU/000355/25](https://digital.flintshire.gov.uk/FCC_Planning/Home/Details?refno=COU/000355/25)

#### **RESOLVED: That**

the Town Clerk be asked to submit the Town Councils objection to the establishment of another HMO in Saltney.

### **36. ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR END ACCOUNTS 2024/25 (as at 31.3.25)**

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

#### **RESOLVED: That**

the end of year accounts as at 31 March 2025 and the Annual Accounting Statement be approved.

### **37. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2024/25**

The Clerk updated Members on the internal audit report for 2024-25 and asked that the Finance and General Purposes Committee continue to work on the action plan, reporting to Council periodically through the fiscal year.

#### **RESOLVED: That**

the internal auditors report for 2024/25 and that Finance and General Purposes Committee continue to work on the action plan reporting periodically to Council be approved.

### **38. ACCOUNTS 2025**

There were no accounts as the bank statement did not arrive in time for the meeting.

### **39. QUESTIONS**

There were no questions received for the Clerk or the Mayor.

### **40. INFORMATION FROM THE LOCAL COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Councillor Jason Shallcross reported that he and Councillor Lloyd had met with Niall Waller from Flintshire County Council with regards to possible funding investment for Saltney. Walked around Victoria Road Shops and the Riverside Walk. Discussed the Coastal Path Project, joining Chester and the possible implications for Saltney.

### **41. PAYMENTS OF ACCOUNTS**

Payment of the following accounts

Code	Cheque No.	Payee	Invoice	Amount
4000	100442	Staff	Clerk's salary for June 25 as calculated by the Council's Agent, in accordance with Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (as per Payroll schedule)	
4001 4002	100443	Staff	Clerk's salary for June 25 as calculated by the Council's Agent, in accordance with Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (as per Payroll schedule)	

4022	100536	Cllr P Brett Roberts	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100538	Cllr J Brett Roberts	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100539	Cllr A B Gregory	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100540	Cllr E Gregory	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100542	Cllr R Griffiths	Determinations payment	52.00
4022	100543	Cllr R Lloyd	Determinations payment	52.00
4022	100544	Cllr McKeown	Determinations payment	52.00
4022	100545	Cllr A Roberts	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100546	Cllr M Robinson	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100547	Cllr S Rodham	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100548	Cllr J Shallcross	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100549	Cllr K Shallcross	Determinations payment	208.00
4022	100550	Cllr R Griffiths	Civic Determination - Mayor	750.00
4022	100551	Cllr A Roberts	Civic Determination – Deputy Mayor	250.00
4008	100552	Sandyford Properties Ltd	Office Rent Adjustment	411.78
4008	100553	T Brown	Office supplies	41.52
4042	100554	Cllr A Roberts	Reimbursement for Beacon Plaque	12.00
4012	100557	Rialtas	Year End Accounts	685.20
		Void – 100541		

NB: Monthly				
4008	SO	Sandyford Properties Ltd	Office Rent	360.00
4022	DD	Information Commissioner	Annual fee	40.00
4020	DD	Prism	Telecoms	102.06
4003	DD	Prism	Internet provision	163.99
4011	DD	Workplace	Payroll	74.17

#### 42. URGENT ITEM OF BUSINESS – COMMUNITY GOVERNOR AT WOOD MEMORIAL COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Chairman agreed to take this item of urgent business to enable the Town Council to appoint a Community Governor to the school. This would enable the Community Governor to be involved in a meeting with Flintshire County Council on the ongoing proposed reorganisation of Saltney Ferry CP School and Wood

Memorial CP School. The meeting would be held before the next Town Council meeting.

**RESOLVED: That**

Councillor Aled Roberts be appointed as Community Governor at Wood Memorial County Primary School.

Chairman .....

Date: .....