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Members of Youth and Children's Committee

6th May 2026

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the above committee to be held at **6.00pm Monday 11th May 2026, via Zoom.**

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jane R.', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Town Clerk and Finance Officer

AGENDA

1. CHAIR OF YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S COUNCIL COMMITTEE

To **elect** a chair for the Youth and Children's Council Committee for the Municipal Year 2026/27.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To **receive** apologies.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To **receive** any known declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

To **approve** the Minutes from the Youth and Children's Committee held on the 9th March 2026.

5. UPDATE ON MOLD ALUN MEETING

To **receive** update from Members who attended the Mold Alun Student Council Meeting.

To **approve** the attached notes from the Mold Alun Student Council Meeting held on the 5th May 2026 (attached).

6. MAY 2026 PRIMARY SCHOOL YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Primary School Youth Council Meeting is scheduled for the 21st May, 3.30pm – venue: TBC.

To **agree** agenda items for the May Primary School Youth Council Meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting chat link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/jc/89607140540>

Meeting ID: 896 0714 0540

Passcode: 887755

Agenda Item: 4

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth and Children's Committee, held via Zoom on Monday 9th March 2026 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT:

Councillors: Pete Dando (Chair), Catherine Frances Claydon, Joanne Edwards (Deputy Mayor) and Megan Lloyd Hughes

Officers: Jo Lane, Clerk and Finance Officer

Absent: Councillor Teresa Carberry

26. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were noted from Councillors Chris Bithell and Suzanne Thomas

27. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None.

28. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **resolved** that the Minutes from the meeting held on the 14th January, 2026 were accepted as a true record.

29. FEBRUARY 2026 PRIMARY SCHOOL YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor Pete Dando provided an update from the most recent Primary School Youth Council meeting. He advised that Councillor Paul Beacher, Mayor, attended to distribute certificates for the Mayor's for Peace Art Competition.

The Youth Council received a talk from Richard Roberts of Gwella regarding the play areas in Mold. This was followed by a worksheet activity where members considered what activities are available in Mold that are accessible to all.

As a final task, attendees created posters promoting the Mold Spring Clean. These posters have since been shared with the Spring Clean Committee.

It was **resolved** that the Minutes of the Primary School, Youth Council Meeting on the 5th February 2026 were accepted as a true record.

30. UPDATE ON SECONDARY SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

The Town Clerk advised that no response has yet been received from Mold Alun regarding Members attending a School Council meeting.

A contact for Ysgol Maes Garmon is still needed.

Action: Town Clerk to email Cllr Catherine Claydon.

31. TO AGREE DATES FOR NEXT YOUTH COUNCIL MEETINGS

It was **resolved** that the next Primary School, Mold Town Youth Council Meeting would be scheduled for Thursday 21st May.

It was **resolved** that the Youth and Children's Committee would meet again on Monday 27th April to agree an agenda for the Primary School Meeting and to receive an update on Secondary School involvement.

Meeting closed: 18.41pm

**SUMMARY OF DECLARATIONS MADE BY MEMBERS
IN ACCORDANCE WITH MOLD TOWN COUNCIL'S
CODE OF CONDUCT**

Youth and Children's Committee	DATE: 09.03.26
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MEMBER	ITEM	MINUTE NO. REFERS

Chair's signature: Date:

Agenda Item: 5.

MOLD YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Notes from the Mold Alun School Council Meeting held on the 5th May 2026.

PRESENT:

Mold Alun School Council

Councillors: Chris Bithell and Suzanne Thomas

Officers: Jo Lane, Clerk and Finance Officer

1. INTRODUCTIONS

A round of introductions took place, followed by Cllr Bithell providing an overview of the role and responsibilities of Mold Town Council.

2. YOUTH COUNCIL AWARENESS PROJECT

The Student Council provided an update on their Vape Project, advising that they have displayed information in the library, delivered presentations at each year group assembly (with over 1,500 pupils in attendance in total) and are planning to set up a stall at Mold Market to engage with the wider community. The School Council has received a variety of positive feedback from both pupils and teachers.

The Council is currently considering potential next projects for the Student Council and may focus on diversity and equality within the community, including themes of kindness and respect for others.

The Town Council advised that Mold has submitted an application for the Town of Culture competition, which, if successful, could align with this proposed project. The Student Council is keen to be involved with this if the bid is successful. It was also noted that the Town Council holds membership of the Mayors for Peace programme, and that the Primary School Youth Council participated in the worldwide art competition last year. The School Council expressed an interest in taking part this year.

3. MOLD TOWN COUNCIL ACTION PLAN

The Town Council advised that in January this year, a planning day was held with Councillors and staff to consider priorities for the forthcoming municipal year. An action plan is currently in draft form, and the Council is keen to hear the Student Council's views on their own priorities.

It was noted that much of the Town Council's work is discretionary, meaning it chooses to fund initiatives that enhance the town. Current areas of expenditure include: community spaces and facilities (such as Mold Cemetery, the Bailey Hill Centre, and contributions towards CCTV provision); free town events, Christmas

lights and town centre activities; community support through grants and financial assistance to local groups (including sports clubs, youth organisations, choirs and playschemes); and the town's appearance, including hanging baskets, tourism information panels and the Totally Mold website.

The Town Council asked the Youth Council, if they were responsible for the budget, what they would continue, change, or stop funding.

The Youth Council advised that local amenities are not well signposted, citing Mold Museum as an example. They expressed support for continuing community events, noting their positive impact on the town. They also suggested introducing more events aimed at young people, such as a Halloween event featuring a maze and fancy dress competition and a youth music festival to provide a platform for local artists.

It was noted that the Youth Council was largely unaware of the Totally Mold website and felt that greater promotion would be beneficial. Suggestions included adding a QR code to tourism information panels, producing a regular Council newsletter (monthly or quarterly) and improving engagement with younger audiences through increased use of social media platforms such as YouTube and TikTok.

A brief discussion took place regarding how the Youth Council could support the Town Council in developing its use of social media channels. It was suggested that a volunteering opportunity could be created to support this role.

Councillors Bithell and Thomas thanked the School Council for their time and for their valuable suggestions, and advised that the information would be fed back to Full Council.