

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Mold Town Council Meeting held at Town Council Offices, Unit 10 Daniel Owen Precinct, Mold at 6pm on Wednesday 24th June 2026 (also, by Video conferencing).

PRESENT:

Councillors: Joanne Edwards (Mayor), Pete Dando (Deputy Mayor), Brian Lloyd, Chris Bithell, Geoff Collett, Haydn Jones, Nanette Davies, Paul Beacher, Richard Clarke, Robin Guest and Sarah Taylor.

Via Zoom: Cllrs. Suzanne Thomas, Catherine Frances Claydon and Tina Claydon.

Absent: Cllr. Megan Lloyd Hughes

Officers: Jo Lane, Town Clerk & Finance Officer; Jane Evans Events & Community Engagement Officer.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: 8 Members of the public in attendance.

37. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Cllr Teresa Carberry and Leila Jones, Support Officer.

38. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations declared.

39. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor's appointments were **noted**.

40. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that;

- 40.1 The Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 27th May 2026 be received and **approved** as a correct record;
- 40.2 The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 1st June 2026 be received and **approved** as a correct record;
- 40.3 The Minutes of the Cemetery Meeting held on 10th June 2026 be received and **approved** as a correct record;

41. ACTION LIST

The ongoing Action List was **noted**. Confirmed by Town Clerk that completed items will be removed from the Action List after each Town Council meeting.

Action Item 116: Town Clerk confirmed that a Policy regarding salt bins was being implemented and this will include conditions of the salt bins placement. The Town Clerk was asked to contact Flintshire County Council for confirmation of their Winter preparations.

Action Item 150: Town Clerk reminded members request with regards to 'Active Travel' was initially sent to Flintshire County Council in October 2023 and further emails had been sent, but the action was still ongoing. Cllr. Bithell confirmed he would take forward with Katie Wilby Head of Streetscene

RESOLVED: The Town Clerk will contact Flintshire County Council regarding Winter preparations. Update on actions would be added to Action List for next meeting.

42. CORRESPONDENCE

Members **noted** the previously circulated correspondence;

- (i) Darren Morris, Play Development at Flintshire County Council regarding Summer Playschemes 2026 programme.
- (ii) Community Review 2025 – Final Recommendations report

Cllr. Bithell informed members that he had addresses concerns with Flintshire Electoral Officer regarding the East Ward boundary as shown on the updated maps, the Electoral Officer had confirmed the maps were correct. Cllr. Bithell would now take forward with the Boundary Commission directly.

RESOLVED:

- (i) A letter of thanks be sent to Darren in recognition of the excellent organisation of the Playschemes. Members agreed that, where possible they would attend sessions over the Summer holidays to enable them to provide feedback.
- (ii) Cllr. Bithell would contact the Boundary Commission.

43. OFFICER REPORTS

- (i) Members **noted** the previously circulated Events and Community Engagement Officer report and verbal update was received.

Cllr. Bithell confirmed he was in discussions with Flintshire Planning Officers regarding the recent refusal of change of use based on increase of phosphorus entering the River Dee and Bala Lake and would report back to members on his discussions at the next Council meeting.

- (iii) Members **noted** the previously circulated Town Clerk report and verbal update from the Town Clerk was received.

Town Clerk thanked Cllrs Chris Bithell and Pete Dando for their support during the filming of the One Voice Wales and Audit Wales Podcast.

Town Clerk thanked Cllr Robin Guest for his support regarding the Cemetery Land Registry meeting.

Members **considered** the proposal for the refurbishment works to replace the Mold Bus Station benches' slats with timber replacement slats and stain or purchase and install composite replacement slats.

RESOLVED:

- (i) Members **requested** that officers contact owners of vacant units (Santander and Halifax) to ask them to improve the exterior of the properties.
- (ii) Members **approved** the bench refurbishment using timber slats.

44. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN (AGAR) 2025/26

Members considered the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) for the year ended 31st March 2026 and;

RESOLVED: Members **approved**

- (a) The Annual Governance Statement
- (b) The Accounting Statements
- (c) The Mayor be authorised to sign the AGAR on behalf of the Council
- (d) The Notice of Electors' Rights be approved and published in accordance with statutory requirements.

Members expressed thanks to the Town Clerk for work carried out on the AGAR

45. HEALTH AND SAFETY ACTION PLAN

Members considered the Health and Safety Action Plan prepared following the annual Health and Safety audit undertaken by the Councils Health and Safety consultants.

RESOLVED: Members **approved** the Health and Safety Action Plan.

46. HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY AND MANUAL

Members considered the Health and Safety policy and manual following the annual Health and Safety audit undertaken by the Councils Health and Safety consultants.

RESOLVED: Members **approved** the Health and Safety policy and manual.

47. TOWN COUNCIL SURGERIES

Members considered and discussed the options within the report.

RESOLVED: Members **approved** monthly central surgeries, commencing September 2026, held on the second Saturday of each month from 10am – 11am at the Town Council office. A Councillor from each ward requested to be in attendance, with option for all County Councillors to attend each month. The Town Clerk was asked to arrange key holders, risk assessment and surgery promotion.

48. MOLD CEMETERY 150TH ANNIVERSARY

Members considered the report, previously presented at the Cemetery committee on 10th June, regarding the 150th anniversary of Mold Cemetery.

Members **approved** working group to develop proposals and costings. Members approved Cllrs Edwards, Dando, Clarke, Bithell, Davies, Jones, Beacher, Thomas and Taylor form working group and extend invite to Mold Civic Society.

49. NOTICE OF PLANNING

Members **noted** the previously circulated report.

50. ACCOUNTS / PAYMENTS

Members **considered** the schedules previously circulated.

Members **noted** that payments are made in accordance with the powers of local councils.

Month 2 – Community Bank account CB1 £45,385.17 (excl. VAT)

Month 2 – Business Money Manager Account £65,000 (internal transfers)

- Month 2 – Events Bank account £6,369.04
- Month 2 – Prepaid Mastercard £482.38
- Month 2 – Mayor’s Charity £0.00
- Month 2 – Petty Cash £1.62
- Month 2 – Deposit Bond 1 £15,000 (internal transfers)
- Month 2 – Deposit Bond 2 £15,000 (internal transfers)
- Month 2 – Deposit Bond 3 £15,000 (internal transfers)

RESOLVED: That the schedules of payments be **approved**.

Meeting ended: 18:48

Mayor’s signature: Date:

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

MOLD TOWN COUNCIL		DATE: 25th May 2026
MEMBER	ITEM	MINUTE NO. REFERS

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