St Asaph City Council
Cyngor Dinas Llanelwy

Minutes of the Mill Race Meadow Meeting of St Asaph City Council held on Wednesday 16th February 2022 at 7.00 pm with remote attendance via Zoom.

Present: Cllrs J Ellison, M Gedd, L Groves, C A Hardie, P G Morton, J Roberts, B Rust, P Scott (Mayor), B Townsend and R Williams.

The Mayor thanked everyone for attending the meeting, which is for the purpose of sharing information only, including legal advice, which is privileged information. The Council wish to ensure that the information to the public is clear, ahead of their vote.

2022/048 Apologies for Absence

- Apologies were received from Cllr Griffiths.

2022/049 Declarations of Interest

- Cllr Roberts declared an interest as Chairman of the Football Club;
- Cllr Rust declared an interest as Treasurer of the Football Club.

The Mayor stated that both Councillors would be participating in the meeting, as its purpose is purely to gather information.

2022/050 Mill Race Meadow

- The Clerk outlined the legal advice received from John Owens, Solicitors, regarding the public right of way over the public footpaths across the field. The field is leased for grazing to the farmer.
- The information now on the City Council's website is clear and includes the photographs from the Football Club. It was agreed that copies of the plans could be displayed in the Library. Cllr Roberts will arrange this.
- It was agreed that an image of the whole site, including the allotments, should be produced, showing the suggested options for a pitch. This should show the proportion of the field (approximately 2 acres out of 21), which is to be considered. Cllr Roberts will arrange this.
- The Clerk is to ascertain the route of the footpath over the field.
- Cllr Rust has previously suggested information boards to show the public rights of way.
- Cllr Hardie highlighted the need for an environmental impact assessment. Cllr Roberts confirmed the Football Club will arrange this and cover all costs.
- The Football Club would wish to retain the use of the existing training pitch.
- The Clerk is to obtain advice from the Monitoring Officer regarding Councillors' eligibility to vote in the poll.

2022/051 Correspondence

a) E-mail from a resident regarding Mill Race Meadow

The Mayor and Clerk will reply, bearing in mind that the Council would like the public engagement process to take its course.

The meeting concluded at 7.35 pm

Date of Next Meeting

Meeting with remote attendance held 9th March 2022.

Signed ……
Chairman of the Full Council Meeting held 9th March 2022