

BRYNFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held 11th February 2020 at Brynford C.P. School.

PRESENT

Councillor J. Davies – Chairman

Councillor T. Alcock

Councillor W. Beaumont

Councillor D. Jones

Councillor D. Redfern-Lloydjones

Councillor L. Rosedale

Councillor T. Stephenson

Councillor P. Wahl

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor G. Legg

Councillor L. O’Hare

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None were declared in respect of the business of the Council.

90/19 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th January 2020 were approved as a correct record.

91/19 ITEMS RAISED BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mrs. V. Legg of Calcot Kennels, Brynford.

Mrs. Legg reported that a planning application for Boarding Kennels at Pant Farm, Babell had been made to the Planning Authority.

The planning application had been closed on the 11th November 2019. However very few residents residing in the area of Pant Farm, Babell were aware of the application being made.

Mrs. Legg further advised that she was opposing the application as the Planning Authority’s condition for such developments state that new establishments could

not be located within a 3-mile radius of an existing boarding kennels. The application site at Pant Farm, Babell was 1.2 miles away from her boarding kennels.

RESOLVED

That the Council would write to the Planning Authority objecting to the application based on the information that had been provided and the detrimental impact it would have on the existing boarding kennels.

92/19 BRYNFORD RECREATION GROUND – MOLE CONTROL

Councillor J. Davies reported that the football ground and children's play area was badly infested with moles.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk would obtain two estimations of cost. Following liaison, the Chairman would issue instructions based on the lowest quotation received.

93/19 BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2020

The Clerk reported that a meeting of the project group would take place on the 25th February 2020 at Brynford Pet Cemetery for 6.00pm.

Councillor D. Jones advised that he would like to promote further events or initiatives within the community. VE Day celebrations during May could be a community event on the village green.

Councillor J. Davies advised that residents had made enquiries as to the provision of an allotment site within the community.

It was agreed that these would be considered at the next project working group meeting.

94/19 ABERDO QUARRY – DUST POLLUTION

Councillor J. Davies reported that she had received complaints from residents adjacent to the quarry regarding the increased levels of dust pollution being created by the quarry.

As well as causing pollution to activities such as gardening, drying cloths etc., dust was also entering properties even though doors and windows were closed.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk would write to the following: -

Flintshire County Council Minerals and Waste Management Officer,
Halkyn Joint Consultative Board,
Grosvenor Estate Department,

Requesting that an urgent meeting of the Quarry Liaison Committee be convened and that dust level monitoring be undertaken at the site.

95/19 UNAUTHORISED WORKS ON LAND KNOWN AS PARADISE PRIDE, MILWR

REF: No. 057320

Members reported that the tipping of large quantities of waste material was continuing to take place at the above site. A watercourse had been diverted and water was now spilling onto the A5026 highway.

A number of local land owners adjacent to the site had also complained about the detrimental and environmental impact on their land and livelihoods.

RESOLVED

That a formal letter of complaint be made and registered with the Planning Authority, regarding the lack of action and enforcement the Planning Authority has made since this matter was brought to their attention in 2017.

96/19 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR 2019/20

JDH Business Services Ltd had written to the Council providing an audit plan and scope of audit for the internal audit for 2019/20.

RESOLVED

That JDH Business Services Ltd be appointed as Internal Auditor for 2019/20.

97/19 WEST FLINTSHIRE TOWN & COMMUNITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP

The Clerk of Holywell Town Council had written to the Council advising that a special meeting had been arranged for Tuesday 10th March 2020 for 6.00pm.

The Clerk advised that the 10th March was the same date as the next Community Council meeting. It was agreed that Councillor T. Alcock would attend the meeting and report back to the Council meeting following its conclusion.

98/19 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- A) Notice of a County Forum Meeting to be held on 13th February 2020. Councillor D. Redfern-Lloydjones and the Clerk would attend.
- B) Future Audit Arrangements for Town & Community Councils. The Clerk reported that the above document had been sent to all members. Consultation on the proposal would be from 6th February to 19th March 2020.

RESOLVED

That the document was received.

- C) Register of Electors 2020
The Returning Officer, Flintshire County Council had provided a copy of the current register for use by Members in accordance with the conditions of usage.

99/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- A)** CEM/060842
Brynsannan Cottage, Bryn-Sannan, Brynford CH8 8AX
Upper floor, front & rear 2 storey extension to existing cottage.
- B)** AJD/060837
Penhrwylfa Farm, Milwr, Holywell, CH8 8HE
Alterations of existing dwelling, demolition of livestock sheds, outbuildings and carport, conversion of barns attached to dwelling to extend the existing dwelling and ground floor.

RESOLVED

That the council has no objections to the above applications.

100/19 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT

West Flintshire Town & Community Council Working Group – Councillor T. Alcock reported that he had attended the above meeting. Holywell Town Centre was still undertaking highway improvements. Brynford Street and Pen-Y-Ball Street were to be made one-way.

Discussion with Welsh Assembly Ministers were still in progress with a view to supporting the re-opening of the Greenfield Train Station.

All Community Councils in the area were being asked to send letters of support for the project to Mr. K. Skate A.M., Welsh Government Minister for Economy and Transport.

RESOLVED

That a letter of support be sent.

101/19 CONSTRUCTION OF COMMERCIAL BUILDING ADJACENT TO

PEN-Y-GARREG FARM, PENRHWYLFA

Members reported that a large metal fabricated building had been constructed at the above location. According to Council records no planning application had been received by The Planning Authority.

RESOLVED

That a letter be sent to The Planning Authority on this matter.

102/19 ANNUAL RISK ASSESMENT 2020

The Clerk reported that the Council is required to undertake an annual assessment of any risk that may impede the Council's rolls, activities and responsibilities.

The purpose of the assessment is to identify any potential risk and take appropriate actions to reduce or minimise these risks.

The Risk Assessment Report for 2020 had been prepared by the Clerk, copies of which had been provided for all members of the Council.

The Internal Audit for 2018/19 had recommended that the Council adopts the Financial Regulations (Wales) Model produced by One Voice Wales.

RESOLVED

That Risk Assessment Report be approved and that One Voice Wales Financial Regulations (Wales) be adopted by the Council.

103/19 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A) Cynfaen Chapel, Calcoed – Cemetery Maintenance

The Council had received a letter from the newly appointed Treasurer for Cynfaen Chapel, Ms Gilroy.

Ms Gilroy advised that following the retirement of the previous treasurer it had come to light that no application for grant funding had been made for 2018/19 or 2019/20. This oversight had caused problems for the Chapel Committee to find funding for the maintenance of the cemetery.

In light of this oversight Ms Gilroy was enquiring if the Council would consider providing grant funding for the past 2 years.

RESOLVED

That the Council had made provision within its financial budgets for 2 years funding and that a grant of £1,100 was approved.

104/19 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

That the following accounts were approved:

1585) A. Roberts (L.G.A.1972s112,131)	Clerk's salary	£552.91
1586) H.M. Revenue & Customs (L.G.A.1972s112)	P.A.Y.E.	£138.00

1587) Viking Ltd (L.G.A.1972,111)	Supply of stationery	£94.78
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1588) Canon UK Ltd (L.G.A.1972s111)	Copy fees	£33.64
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105/19 DURATION OF THE MEETING

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm and was closed at 8.30pm.

CHAIRMAN _____