

BRYNFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th June 2022 at Brynford CP School

PRESENT:

Councillor L. O'Hare– Chairman

Councillor G. Legg

Councillor L. Rosedale

Councillor P. Wahl

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor P. Davies

Councillor N. Hughes

Councillor T. Stephenson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council

20/22 ITEMS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN RELATION TO THE BUSINESS ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA

No members of the public were in attendance.

21/22 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were declared in respect of the business on the agenda.

22/22 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held virtually on the 10th May 2022 were approved as a correct record.

23/22 STREETSCENE SERVICES

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr Neil Hickie, Area Supervisor, Streetscene Services.

Neil provided a report showing the results of the recent traffic speed survey undertaken by the Highway Authority. The survey location was on the B5121 at the top of Brynford Hill.

The findings of the survey indicated that most traffic speed was within the designated speed restrictions.

However, further consideration were being given to the possibility of extending the existing 30pmh zone.

Flaxfield Close, Calcoed – Vehicles parking on greenspace : Neil advised that he had spoken to the resident, requesting that vehicles are not parked on this greenspace. Overgrown trees on greenspace : Neil advised that the trees had been inspected and that no further action was required at the current time.

Milwr Road - Overgrown cherry trees encroaching onto the highway verge : Neil advised that the pruning of the trees would be included on the winter works schedule.

The Chairman thanked Neil for his assistance and support with the community litter pick day held in April and for attending the meeting.

24/22 BRIDLEWAY BYWAY - NAID Y MARCH, BRYNFORD

Members reported that the bridleway had been obstructed with gates and sheep-pen panels causing a nuisance to horse riders and walkers.

RESOLVED:

That this matter be reported to the Rights of Way Department, Flintshire County Council.

25/22 BRYNFORD RECREATION GROUND

Mr Tony Doyle Manager of the Holywell youth football team had advised that he wished to redecorate the interior of the football changing rooms.

Members agreed to the request and the Council would reimburse the cost of painting materials.

The Council had been advised that Mr David Parry has been grass cutting on the recreation ground. He has requested if consideration could be given for a further community litter pick and the painting of the football field boundary railings.

Members considered the request and agreed to make further investigations regarding the painting of railings. It was also agreed that the Council would reimburse Mr Parry for any fuel costs.

It was also reported that on the Pentre Halkyn side of the recreation ground, excavations were being undertaken to form a BMX Cycle track.

Members requested that this be brought to the attention of Countryside Services, Flintshire County Council.

26/22 ENCLOSURE OF COMMON LAND CALCOED LANE BRYNFORD

The Clerk reported that he had received further enquiries as to the enclosure of the above land. It has been reported that weed killer was applied to the land that may cause harm to grazing animals.

Members requested that this matter be brought the attention of Legal Services, Flintshire County Council.

27/22 CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Councillors L. Rosedale, T. Stephenson and P. Wahl confirmed that they had attended the training event. Cllr Rosedale advised that a recording of the training event was available through the County Council. Members requested that the link to the recording be sent to all members and enquires then made as to whether watching the recording then qualifies as attendance of the training event.

28/22 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021 HYBRID MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

Further to Minute No. 10/22, the Clerk reported that the IT equipment required to provide the option of holding hybrid meetings had been purchased. In addition, a domain site had been secured (brynford.wales) enabling the Council to provide members with council business email addresses.

29/22 CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA MATCH FUNDING SCHEME 2022/23

An invitation had been received from Aura Leisure to participate in the above programme being funded by Flintshire County Council. Members agreed to match fund up to £5,000 for improvements to the play area.

30/22 EXTERNAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2021/22

The Clerk reported that the Annual Return and Financial Reports had been completed for submission to the external auditor.

RESOLVED:

That the Annual Return was approved and signed by the Chairman.

31/22 BRYNFORD CP SCHOOL CELEBRATION EVENT 30th JUNE 2022

The Council has received an invitation from the Chairman of Governors, Mr C Bracewell, inviting the Chairman and Clerk to an official celebration event following the completion of extensive modifications and facilities provision at Brynford CP School.

The Chairman advised that she and Cllr P. Wahl together with the Clerk would attend the event.

32/22 PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS TREE AND EVENT 2022

Councillor L. O'Hare reported that Jamie Roberts, Highways Contractor Ltd, had agreed to sponsor the provision of the Christmas tree for this year. The Chairman requested that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr Roberts on behalf of the Council.

Following the easing of COVID 19 restrictions, it was agreed that an official lighting of the tree event would be held. Light refreshments and Christmas celebrations would be organised for the community.

The Clerk was instructed to discuss this proposal with representatives and past supporters of the following bodies to include :-

Brynford CP School
St Michael's Church
Brynford Pet Cemetery
Holywell Golf Club

33/22 PAST SERVICES RECOGNITION FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor T. Stephenson had requested that consideration be given for the recognition of retiring members of the Council by providing a commemorative plaque. Members agreed to the proposal subject the member having served a minimum of five years in office.

34/22 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- A) Holywell Market Group – Free fun day for children from Holywell and the surrounding area.

RESOLVED:

That the application be received.

35/22 COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS 5th MAY 2022 - FILLING OF VACANCIES BY CO-OPTION

Further to Minute No. 13/22, the Clerk advised that the Council had received three nominations for the filling of the 3 vacancies on the Council.

Mr Nigel Acott
Ms Jean Davies
Mr David Jones

RESOLVED:

That the above three nominations be co-opted and invited to attend the July meeting of the Council.

36/22 ITEMS RAISED BY MEMBERS

- A) Councillor P. Wahl requested that a letter be sent to the Chief Executive of Flintshire County Council requesting that the Flintshire Forum meetings be reinstated. The structural condition of Henblas, Brynford and the development work being undertaken at Dryll, Milwr Road. The council had not been consulted on the latter.
- B) Councillor N. Hughes requested that a further letter be sent to the Rights of Way Department, Flintshire County Council regarding the road surface condition of Narrow Lane, Calcoed.

37/22 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

1752) A. Roberts – Clerk’s Salary & Establishment Allowance	£832.00
1753) H.M. Revenue & Customs - PAYE	£239.05
1754) Livetech Ltd – Webhosting Fees	£184.80
1755) Viking Ltd – Supply of stationery	£38.55
1756) A. Roberts – Web Domain Registration Fees	£109.79
1757) Ysceifiog Community Council – Provision of Laptop (50% funding)	£338.15
1758) Ysceifiog Community Council – 50% Match Funding IT Equipment	£122.54

38/22 DURATION OF THE MEETING

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm and was closed at 8.45 pm.

The next meeting of the council will be on Tuesday 12th July 2022at Brynford CP School commencing at 7.00 PM.

CHAIRMAN
