



Gwernymynydd Community Council Cyngor Cymdeithasol Gwernymynydd

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Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 18th May 2017 at the Village Centre, Gwernymynydd.

Chairman: Vicky Hinstridge

Councillors Present

Frances Rosedale, Kevin Hughes, Heidi Jackson Marjorie Thomson, Jacqueline Jepson, Carl Jackson and John Homersley,

Following his successful election as the local Member for Gwernymynydd and Nercwys in the Flintshire County Council election, Councillor Kevin Hughes submitted his resignation as a Community Councillor for Gwernymynydd to the Chairman.

Councillor Hughes informed the Council that he would maintain his support and commitment to the Community Council albeit in the role of a County Councillor.

The Chairman and Members of the Council congratulated Councillor Hughes on his successful election as the Local Member and welcomed his stated commitment to the community.

1. Apologies for Absence

All elected Councillors were present at the meeting.

In Attendance

Mrs. Nancy Matthews and Mr. James Appleton.

2. Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillors

The elected Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Proper Officer of the Gwernymynydd Community Council, that is, the Clerk to the Council.

3. Election of Chairman, 2017/18

Councillor Vicky Hinstridge was nominated and seconded for the position of Chairman, therefore Councillor Hinstridge was duly elected Chairman of the Gwernymynydd Community Council, 2017/18.

4. Election of Vice-Chairman, 2017/18

Councillor Carl Jackson was nominated and seconded for the position of Vice-Chairman, therefore Councillor Jackson was duly elected Vice-Chairman of the Gwernymynydd Community Council, 2017/18.

5. Co-Option for the Vacant Seats on the Community Council

The Clerk reported to the Council that there were 4 vacant seats to be taken up by the Co-option process and that he had received 4 nominations via Councillors for the said vacancies.

The nominated people were given to be:-

Mrs. Nancy Matthews, Mrs Charlotte Dawson Mr. James Appleton and Mr. Stephen Prydderch.

The Members elected all nominated persons to the vacant positions of Councillor of the Gwernymynydd Community Council;

Mrs Nancy Matthews and Mr. James Appleton signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Proper Officer of the Gwernymynydd Community Council, that is, the Clerk to the Council. Councillors Matthews and Appleton were then permitted to participate in the proper business of the Council.

6. To Adopt the Council's Existing Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and The Members Code of Conduct.

The Members agreed without alteration to adopt the Council's Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and the Members Code of Conduct.

7. Defibrillators and First Responders within the community

The Chairman welcomed Sarah Jones from Cadwyn Clwyd who had come along to the Council meeting to provide information relating to the above. Sarah explained her position in Cadwyn Clwyd, this being the Natural Resources Officer, and she outlined the initiative of utilising under used/redundant 'red telephone kiosks' as stations for accommodating defibrillators and or satellite tourist information units. Sarah provided information to the Members regarding the available funding from Cadwyn Clwyd and the cost per defibrillator including training for first responders, insurance and the details of a 4-year lease programme for siting the units in suitable locations within a town or village.

The Chairman and Members thanked Sarah Jones for coming along to the meeting and for providing valuable information in relation to Cadwyn Clwyd's initiative for utilising former telephone kiosks and the related costs concerning defibrillators either for placing them within a kiosk or elsewhere within a community.

With regard to this topic the Members again discussed the option of purchasing two defibrillators for emergency use within the community and Councillor Vicky Hinstridge again provided for the Members information relating to training which was being undertaken and promoted by the Mold Town Council.

The Members agreed to discuss this issue further at the next meeting of the Council.

8. To Receive Nominations and to Determine Representatives on Outside Bodies

1. Cefn Mawr Quarry and Cambrian Quarry Liaison Committees.

Councillors Vicky Hinstridge, Frances Rosedale, Nancy Matthews and Carl Jackson were nominated to represent the Council at the respective Liaison Committees.

2. One Voice Wales.

Councillor Marjorie Thomson was nominated to represent the Council at the meetings of One Voice Wales.

3. Gwernymynydd Village Centre Management Committee.

Councillors Carl Jackson, John Homersley, Nancy Matthews and Jacqueline Jepson were nominated to represent the Council at the meetings of the Village Centre Management Committee.

4. Gwernymynydd Youth Club/Council.

Councillors James Appleton and Jacqueline Jepson were nominated to represent the Council at meetings of the Youth Club/Council.

All nominations were accepted by the respective Councillors.

9. To Receive Nominations and to Determine Sub-Committees

1. Planning.

Councillors Vicky Hinstridge, Heidi Jackson, Frances Rosedale and Marjorie Thomson were nominated for the Council's Planning Sub-Committee.

2. Play Areas.

Members resolved to fill this Sub-Committee at a later date.

3. Council's Website

Councillors Vicky Hinstridge and Heidi Jackson were nominated for this Sub-Committee. The main issue being to improve the website and to co-ordinate relevant information with the Gwernymynydd and Cadole Facebook site.

All nominations were accepted by the respective Councillors.

10. To Approve the Minutes of the April Meeting

The Minutes of the above had been distributed and were confirmed as a true record of the business transacted at the meeting.

11. Matters Arising from the Minutes.

3. 2017; 21; Defibrillators and First Responders within the community;

Councillor Vicky Hinstridge informed the members that she had been unable to attend the training course organised by Mold Town Council.

9.2017; 23, 056757, Installation of a 17.5m monopole supporting 2 in number antennae within a shroud, 2 in number cabinets and ancillary development.

Councillor Kevin Hughes informed the Members of the arranged site meeting with the Planning Development Committee and of the meeting of the Committee to discuss the respective planning application.

12. 2017; 25 Events Taking Place Within Gwernymynydd

Members were reminded that Councillor Jacqueline Jepson had organised a fund raising coffee morning in aid of Cancer Research and that this event would be taking place in the Village Centre on Sunday the 21st May 2017.

12. Gwernymynydd CP School, Governors Report to the Council

Councillors Kevin Hughes and Nancy Matthews reported to the Members the proposals being discussed with regard to taking the CP School forward following the intended departure of the present Headteacher, Mrs Louise Williams. Councillor Hughes stated that he had been involved in putting together an advertisement for a replacement full time teacher and that this would be going out in the near future. Councillor Hughes also informed the Members that the present Deputy Headteacher would be filling the role of acting Headteacher from September onwards.

Councillor Hughes informed the Members that ASH Waste Services had donated prizes for an essay writing competition for pupils in the school and that the school would have a visit from a Theatre Clwyd actor who would read the pupils submitted essays. A panel of 3 judges would then select the winning entry who would receive tickets for a performance at Theatre Clwyd.

Councillor Hughes announced that it would be the school's Sports Day tomorrow, the 19th May at 1.30 pm.

13 Police Matters and Member Reports

There was no Police presence at the meeting and no submitted report.

Councillor John Homersley reported to the Members the details of a forced entry in a shed/outbuilding, Councillors were requested to inform residents of the need to ensure such isolated buildings were locked securely.

Glyndwr Road; Minffordd Fields; Swan Lane; Ruthin Road; Tros y Wern and Cadole in these areas there were no items for discussion.

Llys Enfys and Blaen Wern; as previously stated indiscriminate vehicle parking was in part still causing a nuisance. With reference to the latter, the parking problems have been exacerbated due to the poor surface area of the car park near to the entrance of Minffordd Fields, vehicles were now parking at the top of Blaen Wern and causing a nuisance to the residents. In addition to this problem Councillor Hughes informed the Members that he had approached Flintshire County Council about the issue and because of the close proximity of the subsided surface to the pavement the Council would take the appropriate action to make safe the area. Also concerns were expressed with regard to vehicles parking within the garage area at Blaen Wern, such indiscriminate actions resulting in obstruction to access to the rented garages.

Member Area Reports.

Minffordd Fields; Cadole; Swan Lane; Blaen Wern; Glyndwr Road; and Tros y Wern in these areas there were no items for discussion.

Ruthin Road, Councillors reported streetlights for attention along the A494, Councillor Heidi Jackson reported loose bricks near to the kerbside and Councillor Frances Rosedale raised her concerns with regard to the proposed telecommunications mast near to residential properties;

Llys Enfys, Councillor Nancy Matthews related to the Members that the Llys Enfys/Bryn Eithin play area was being locked in the evening, this action was not being undertaken by Flintshire County Council, consequently the said Council was investigating the issue, also Councillor Matthews stated that more 'dog litter' notices were needed in the area;

14. Planning Matters

Ref: JZB/056799, Alterations and improvements to dwelling, erection of a garage/store outbuilding and conversion of stone building to tourist unit and demolition of flat roofed garage block located at Hen Dyddyn, Hafod Road, Gwernymynydd.

The above planning application was discussed by Councillors at the recent Planning Sub-Committee meeting and further in full Council; the Members raised no objections to the proposals and as such gave full approval to the application.

Prior to the Agenda being printed and sent out to Members the Council had not received any additional planning applications from Flintshire County Council for Members to pass their observations and comments. However, 1 application was then received before the May meeting, this was as follows:-

AW/056852, Outline application for a dwelling adjacent to the existing located at Bwthyn Gwyn, Swan Lane, Gwernymynydd.

The above planning application was discussed by Councillors in full Council; the Members raised no objections to the proposals and as such gave full approval to the application.

15. Finance

To receive invoices for payment to order payment and to sign cheques, the Clerk informed the Members of the expenditure for March the details of which can be found on page 2017; 33.

The Clerk informed the Members of the requirement to have approved signatories for the Council's HSBC bank account following the recent election. The Clerk provided for the Members the respective Bank Mandate for the Councillors to complete, this would then be taken to the HSBC bank in Mold for approval.

The Clerk brought to the attention of Members the requirement for the Council to register with the ICO (data protection), the cost of the registration being £35.00.

16. Gwernymynydd Community Council's Action Plan, 2016/17

The Members resolved to discuss the Action Plan in more detail at future meetings of the Council following the Town/Community Council elections and new Councillors taking up their positions on the Gwernymynydd Community Council.

17. Events Taking Place Within Gwernymynydd

Councillor Carl Jackson informed the Members that another Car Boot Sale will be taking place in the near future, the sale to be held in the car park of the Village Centre.

Councillors discussed briefly the proposal to hold a family walk in and around the villages of Gwernymynydd and Cadole, this suggestion to be explored and considered at a later meeting.

Councillors discussed the benefits and merits that could be gained from visiting neighbouring Councils and observing how the respective Councils respond to problems in their area. Councillors Vicky Hinstridge and Carl Jackson to action this proposal.

18. Reports

Outside Bodies

With reference to the Village Centre Management Committee, an update of usage information was provided for the Members.

Councillor Kevin Hughes outlined to the Members suggestions that were being actively considered by the Management Committee. Proposals being discussed include allocated dog walking areas, provision of benches for seating, a 2-lane running track around the field, the formation of an over 35's football team and a cycling club for beginners.

Councillor Nancy Matthews reminded the Members that the Cambrian Quarry Open Day would be taking place in June, the event will be widely reported locally and it is hoped that it will be well supported.

Councillor Vicky Hinstridge reminded Members of the forthcoming County Forum, information about the meeting will be sent out to everyone nearer to the designated date, Wednesday the 28th June 2017.

Sub-Committees

There were no additional items for discussion.

19. Correspondence

Items 1, 2 and 3 were received by the Council.

20. Late Correspondence

The Clerk reported to the Members on the following received items:-

Flintshire County Council, Open space land within the responsibility of the Council for inclusion in consultation on implementing a Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order in Flintshire; Flintshire County Council, training for new Councillors, 1st June 2017 at County Hall at 6.00 pm; information from the Hospice of the Good Shepherd.

By e-mail; One Voice Wales Bulletin and News; Sustain Wales and CEW Newsletter.

Payments authorised at the meeting held on the 18th May 2017

T M Richardson	Clerk's Salary	391.81
	Postage	10.40
	Clerk's Allowance	56.40
	Ink cartridges	55.00
		<u>513.61</u>
Zurich Municipal Insurance	Council's Insurance	626.74
Gwernymynydd Village Centre	Support grant	2,500.00
Gwernymynydd CP School	Support grant	600.00
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