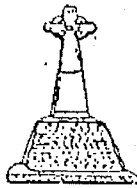


BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD
ON TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER 2011 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE.

Present –Cllr K Ashton (Chairman)

Brymbo Ward- Councillors N Davies, K Monti, M Shone, B Stapley, A
Stapley and H Williams.

Bwlchgwyn Ward-Councillors S Tilston, T Roberts and B Woodfine-Jones.

Tanyfron Ward Councillors T Birch, D Griffiths and S Wynne.

County Borough Councillors D Kelly and P Rogers

1. The minutes of the meeting of 8TH November 2011 were confirmed as a
true record and signed by the Chairman.

Declarations of Interest

S Tilston Wrexham Fuchsia and Geranium Society

T Roberts Bwlchgwyn Residents

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2. POLICING

Brymbo-1 Violence against a person, 1 Burglary dwelling, 1 theft from vehicle,
5 criminal Damage, 1 UTMV and 8 ASB.

Bwlchgwyn – 3 Thefts and Handling.

Tanyfron -3 Violence against person, 2 BOTD and 1 Theft and handling.

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Kelly opened by expressing concern that he had not received minutes that
month. Cllr Ashton said that in future standing orders would be applied, and
County Borough Councillors would be invited to attend the meeting, give
their report and they could then leave or sit in the public gallery. Cllr Kelly
requested that he receive minutes in future with the invite to attend. Cllr
Shone said that all minutes were available to view on the website and in the
library. Cllr Monti said that the Councillors should get monthly copies to check
for accuracy, however they should not get involved with discussions which
affected BCC. Cllr Tilston proposed that minutes be sent in future to both
Borough Councillors. This was seconded by Cllr Birch. All were in favour.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Kelly', is written over the bottom right portion of the text.

Cllr Rogers said that 3000 council owned properties in the Borough were having solar panels installed. However he had not been given a list of the properties in the area that were having the work done. For the properties that were not receiving the panels there was a 'Green Doctor' scheme which advised residents on how to reduce their energy bills. Cllr Rogers said that he was working with parents and residents on two projects that would also involve the Play Development Team at WCBC. Consultations would be made with residents in the areas concerned. Cllr Rogers said that he wished to congratulate the team at the Enterprise Centre on a very successful year where bookings were higher than they had ever been. Cllr Rogers said that there had been no Liaison Meeting with Brymbo Developments that year, however one was to be arranged for the New Year. Cllr B Stapley said that he had been approached by a member of the public who was concerned that a meeting had taken place. Cllr Rogers said that he had attended a confidential meeting with Steve Bayley and said that there were few options left to deliver the Spine Road. Cllr Monti said that he shared the frustrations of residents who had bought houses on the new development who still had no new road or school. Cllr Rogers said that the CC had objected to the road at the planning stage, however Cllr Birch said that he had objected as a resident of Tanyfron and he was disgusted with Brymbo Developments as another 150 houses had been built towards Tanyfron. He asked where this was going to stop. Cllr B Stapley said that the Spine Road could have, and should have already gone in. Cllr Rogers said that with regard to the Communities First project and multiple deprivation areas, there would be investment from High Street to Cheshire View. This was based on numerous factors, such as housing and education. Cllr Shone said that he believed there was inequality on how this was done and asked how they were they proposing to do this. Cllr Rogers said that they were targeting rigid boundaries, based on Welsh Assembly guidance. Consultation were on-going. Cllr Shone said that mistakes had been made previously with geographical decisions and he hoped that they would not be repeated. Cllr Birch asked Cllr Rogers were the MUGA was up to, and he said that the lease had been agreed. The Clerk said she was in touch with Denise Garland who said that it was now to go before Martin Howarth.

Cllr Kelly also began with solar panels and said that some hotspots were getting them. He raised concerns about the Green Doctor scheme, as he believed that the advice they were giving could be got from other sources. He believed it was a token gesture. On the issue of the 6 estate offices that were under review, he said that concerns had been raised and therefore the reconstruction had been scaled down. All 6 were to be retained. On the recommendation of the Executive Board, takeaways would not be allowed near schools. This could cause difficulties in smaller communities. There was also no legislation on mobile food vehicles. Cllr Kelly said that with regard to the Owain Glyndwr Scheme, there had been few nominations that year. This may be something the CC would like to look at. Cllr Kelly said that concerns had been raised about the lack of gritting during the recent spate of cold weather. He had been told that gritters had been out, however heavy rain had washed most of the grit away overnight.

Cllr Kelly said that the gates to the Community Centre needed attention, however no one seemed to know owned them He asked if the Clerk would



write to the County Borough to ask if they could help with the issue of ownership. The Chairman thanked both CBC for their reports.

4. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

Cllr Monti said that the builders had been in and the walls were now wet. Nothing further could be done until they dried out. Cllr Woodfine-Jones asked would it help if the heating was left on. Cllr Monti said that he thought it would be a good idea as it could help alleviate the problems of last winter. Cllr Shone asked whether the heating was controlled by a frost stat as this could kick in at a certain temperature. Cllr Woodfine-Jones asked how long it would need to dry out. Cllr Tilston said that it might be best to let it dry out naturally as there was no immediate rush to get the cladding done. All were in favour. Cllr Shone asked where the M&E manuals were. It was thought they may be with the previous caretaker. Cllr Monti said that he would ask him when he next saw him. Cllr B Stapley gave Cllr Shone the plans of Cambrian House which he had at home.

5. ROADS

Cllr Rogers said that resurfacing work was being done in Dyke Street and Lodge Road. The path to the doctors had also been resurfaced. In Tanyfron, Tanyfron Road and Oak Meadows were to be resurfaced. Cllr B Stapley said that he had received complaints about the work on the path to the doctor's surgery where a resident had fallen.

6. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

See Bronwen's Green.

8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Geoff Edwards from Penycae Community Council had been invited to present an overview of electric charges. The Clerk told members that the power charges had more than doubled that year without any notice from the company. This had not been precept for. Mr Edwards said that in fairness to Scottish Power they had not increased their charges for approx. 15 years. He said the way that charges were made to Community Councils was a complex matter. As a result many Community Councils had been looking at Government procurement. At present charges had increased to 12p per unit and a 12 pence standing charge per day. Under the scheme suggested by Mr Edwards charges could be just over 10p per unit. The Clerk said that she had spoken to a contact at Scottish Power who told her that they could lower the charge to approx. 10.165 per unit. Mr Edwards said that he would e-mail details of the procedure to the Clerk and members could therefore discuss further what option they would like to take. Members thanked Geoff for his presentation and his attendance.

Cllr Kelly said that there was a right of way issue with Footpath Number 90. The resident of the property had built over the right of way, and the re-installing of it would mean that it led nowhere. Cllr Tilston and Cllr Roberts



would consult over this. On the restricted byway to the Flash which ran alongside it, there was, in some places no link to get back on to the road.

9. WAR MEMORIAL

No further information

10. CHURCHYARDS

No further information

11 PLANNING

CONSERVATORY TO REAR OF PROPERTY 24 BRYN GWENFRO
TANYFRON

P/2011/0862- No observations.

SINLGE STOREY EXTENSION TO SIDE AND TWO STOREY EXTENSION
TO REAR TO PROVIDE UTILITY ROOM, PLAY ROOM, SHOWER ROOM
AND STUDY 22 BRYN GWENFRO TANYFRON

P/2011/0819 No observations.

SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION TO PROVIDE GROUND FLOOR
BATHROOM FACILITY FOR EXISTING CARE HOME PEN Y GARTH
RESIDENTIAL HOME PLEASANT LANE BRYMBO

P/2011/0885-No observations.

12. ANNUAL RETURN

The Clerk had received the draft Annual return that had been sent to UHY. In their correspondence it said that they had substantially completed their Audit work on the Annual Return. It stated that it was their intention to issue an unqualified audit certificate and report other matters which needed to be drawn attention to. The Council were to approve and publish the audited accounts by 31st December 2011. The matter that needed to be drawn attention to however, did not affect the audit and that was that the Council needed to formally approve an Investment Strategy. The Clerk signed Section 3 of the Return, and the Council approved the Annual Return. The Chairman signed and dated Section 3 and the Clerk would then forward it to UHY.

13. DONATIONS

The following donations were agreed.

Bobath £50.00 proposed by Cllr A Stapley, seconded by Cllr Monti. All were in favour.

NSPCC£100.00 proposed by Cllr Shone, seconded by Cllr Birch. All were in favour.

Brymbo WI £250.00 proposed by Cllr Birch seconded by Cllr Woodfine-Jones. All were in favour

Homestart £100.00 proposed by Cllr Shone, seconded by Cllr Woodfine-Jones. All were in favour.

Wxm Fuchsia and Geranium Society £50.00 proposed by Cllr Monti, seconded by Cllr Cllr Birch. All were in favour. Cllr Griffiths commented that care needed to be taken when making donations to clubs that could be described as hobbies.



Urdd Gobaith Cymru £50.00 Proposed by Cllr Williams, seconded by Cllr Birch. All were in favour.

14. PRECEPT

The Precept committee had met prior to the monthly meeting. Cllr Shone told members that a few alterations to budgets that had not been used needed to be made as the lighting costs had more than doubled that year with no prior notice. The play scheme budget needed to be halved from £10k to £5k. WCBC had sent the Clerk the annual costing for the Playscheme for 2012/2013 and it was just under £5000.00. The election expenses budget would be decreased from £5k to £3k after confirmation of election costs from WCBC. The training budget would increase from 1K to 2k. The savings made from these individual budgets would be transferred to the lighting budget. It was decided that as the maintenance of Bronwen's Green was now back in the control of the Community Council and that costs were not known as yet, that any excess needed when the Playing fields budget was used would therefore be taken from Brymbo Environmental Fund. This would be revisited next year. Cllr Shone said that the precept committee had recommended not making any increase in the financial burden of residents in these difficult times by increasing the precept. The Clerk presented a financial analysis breakdown for the general, lighting and capital fund accounts. (see appendix) The Clerk said that as a result of their deliberations the sub-committee recommended keeping the community rate at the same level of £38.02. However, as the tax base had increased slightly to 1841, this would mean an increase in precept to £69994.82. Cllr Shone said that he hoped that the Borough Council would also take into account the difficult times that were being had by many when they agreed their Council Tax figures. It was proposed by Cllr Woodfine-Jones and seconded by Cllr Griffiths and agreed unanimously that the recommendations of the sub-committee be accepted and a precept of £69994.82 be requested for the year 2012/2013.

15. BRONWEN'S GREEN

Cllr B Stapley said that on his return from a meeting the previous month, he had come across a hay bale from Bronwen's Green in the middle of the road. Cllr Monti said that this was not the first time this had happened. Cllr Birch asked whether the gates had been repaired yet by Streetscene and was told that they had not. He said he would contact Streetscene the next day to chase it up. Cllr Monti requested permission from members to contact a plumber to drain off the pavilion in readiness for the winter. Cllr Woodfine-Jones proposed that he did this, and was seconded by Cllr Birch. All were in favour. Cllr Davies said that the usage of the amenity needed to be sorted out as the children of the village were missing out. He said that the Sports Assoc. had done a fantastic job whilst maintaining the green and through no fault of their own had to give up the maintenance. Cllr Woodfine-Jones asked if they had now disbanded and the Clerk clarified that she had received a letter confirming this a few months previously. Cllr Davies said that the Assoc. felt they had been badly let down by the CC, and Cllr Birch asked why this was. Cllr B Stapley said that at a previous heated meeting a letter had been sent to the Clerk which was received the morning of the monthly meeting. The Clerk tried to explain that no funding could be made through a donation request



without financial documentation and donations were only considered quarterly. A member of the public interrupted the meeting and said that a bank statement had been sent with the letter. The Clerk said that this was not so and that only a letter had been received. Again the member of the public said that it had contained a bank statement. The Clerk said that she was not prepared to enter into a discussion over a matter that had been addressed in July that year, where members of the public acted in a hostile and confrontational manner towards her. The Clerk left the room.

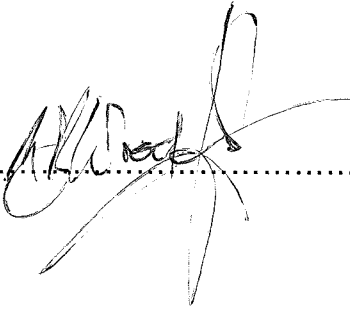
16. CORRESPONDENCE

MOUNTAIN BIKE LIAISON GROUP DETAILS OF NEXT MEETING AND MINUTES
 LOCAL ELECTIONS 2012 OPEN EVENING/ESTIMATED COSTS
 COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS COMMUNITY CENTRES
 OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY COMMUNITIES CONFIRMED
 CASUAL VACANCIES
 WELSH ASSEMBLY ORGAN DONATION
 ADULT SOCIAL CARE
 WREXHAM TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL FORUM MEETING DETAILS
 AVOW NEWSLETTER
 NORTHERN MARCHES CYMRU
 NORTH WALES POLICE AUTHORITY
 THE FUTURE OF THE WELSH GOVERNMENT COMMUNITIES FIRST PROGRAMME

17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2248 BWLCHGWYN COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE	250.00
2249 DEE VALLEY WATER CHANGING ROOMS	41.70
2250 SHERRATT GRASSCUTTING	150.00
2251 NWP POER MAINTENANCE	602.96
2252 SENTRY SECURITY ALARM CAM HSE	102.00
2253 WCBC RATES OFFICE 4 CAM HSE	206.00
2254 WCBC RATES CAM HSE EXCLUDING OFFICE 4	629.00
2255 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY APRIL	1097.71
2256 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY MAY	1097.71
2257 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY JUNE	1134.41
2258 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY JULY	1134.41
2259 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY AUGUST	1097.71
2260 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY SEPT	1134.41
2261 CORONA ENERGY CAM HSE	65.45
2262 B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	25.62
2263 B M HUGHES SALARY INC OVERTIME	516.12
2264 INLAND REVENUE	106.08
2265 ENCORE OFFICE SYSTEMS	43.20
2266 BTRT HIRE OF ROOM 08/11	20.00

The meeting closed at 21.15p.m.

Signed  Chairman