

BRYMBO

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 13 MAY 2008 IN THE ENTERPRISE CENTRE BRYMBO.

Present - Cllr M Shone (Chairman)

Brymbo Ward Councillors – K Ashton, N Davies, K Monti, A Stapley, B Stapley, H Williams.

Bwlchgwyn Ward Councillors – B Woodfine-Jones. **Vron Ward Councillors** – A Birch.

County Borough Councillor – D Kelly **Police** – Inspector Goss, Pc Hughes, Pc Evans and Pso Camplin. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs P Rogers, S Tilston and D Griffiths.

Cllr Monti suggested that the Council should consider acknowledging the period of service given by long serving councillors who retired from the Council this month.

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 April 2008 were confirmed as a true record, and signed by the Chairman.

1. POLICING

Pc Hughes gave a crime report for the month of April. **Brymbo** – 3 reported incidents of indecent assault, attempted burglary, and theft of a vehicle. There had been 9 reports of anti-social behaviour. **Bwlchgwyn** – 3 reported incidents involving assault, criminal damage, and theft. There had been no reports of anti-social behaviour. A Neighbourhood Police meeting is to be held in Bwlchgwyn Community Centre on 28 May. **Vron** – 1 reported assault, and 11 reported incidents of anti-social behaviour. The police have informed parents that they are continuing to monitor the parking of cars outside Tanyfron School, and that it is offence to block the pavement and to park close to junctions or on double yellow or hazard markings outside the School. Pc Hughes said that a survey had been conducted at 20 households on Park Road, and residents had been asked questions about policing and anti social problems, and the police had received some useful feedback. He said that there will be a patrol undertaken by mounted police in Vron on the 21 May, and Cllr B Stapley asked whether this could also be done in Brymbo. Pso Mike Camplin explained to the Council the process of issuing yellow cards to youths who were guilty of anti-social behaviour. He said that the system in place endeavours to prevent any escalation. Cllr Birch said that the dancing school, which is being run on Saturday mornings, is in the process of re-locating to Tanyfron Community Centre, and that this will alleviate some of the parking problems on Park Road. Cllr Monti said that he had reported vandalism to the soccer changing cabin on Cheshire View to the St Asaph Control Centre, because he had experienced difficulty in contacting local police officers. He said that he was disappointed at the lack of response, and the fact that he had not been contacted following this call. Inspector Goss said that the response time of the Control Centre is 5 seconds, and that local officers can be contacted via their blackberries or by email. He said that the police have been given a name of a possible culprit for the incident, but further evidence is being sought. He said that the police rely on information from members of the public and that successful cooperation of this nature has produced a 30% reduction in crime. Cllr A Stapley asked when Operation Cinnamon will be held in Brymbo, and Inspector Goss confirmed that Brymbo/Tanyfron will be the next venue for the event. At the request of Cllr Monti Pc Hughes said he will look into an incident of a car being parked on the pavement in Brymbo. The Chairman thanked the officers for attending the meeting.

2. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

No further information.

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Kelly said that because he is a newly elected County Borough Councillor he does not yet know what committees he will be a member of, but he said he aims to be proactive and committed. Cllr Woodfine-Jones asked about the provision of more bins in the Community to accommodate dog waste, and Cllr Kelly confirmed that WCBC policy is not to provide additional bins, but have issued a directive on how the existing litter bins can be utilised. The Clerk is to remind Streetscene that some additional bins have been promised for Brymbo, and Cllr Woodfine-Jones asked if this request could include one for Cefn Road. Cllr Kelly said that any inscribed plaques, to be attached to the new benches ordered for Bwlchgwyn, should be installed by the Council because of health & safety issues. The Chairman thanked Cllr Kelly for his report.

4. ROADS

Cllr A Stapley asked the Clerk to report that pot holes need repair in Pool Road on the section near to Mount Zion. WCBC are also to be reminded that a deep hole on the edge of the carriageway at the entrance to Bronwens Green has not yet been repaired. The Clerk is to write to WCBC to inform them that bollards positioned on the edge of the carriageway by the sub station at Pinfold are causing a danger to motorists. A resident of Tanyfron, who was allowed to speak by the Chairman, reported that water is collecting in inclement weather at the bottom of St Albans Road, near to where some dropped kerbs have been installed. The Clerk read out a letter from WCBC, which informed the Council that they propose to introduce a total prohibition of waiting for a distance of 10 metres on all approaches to the crossroads at St Albans Road/Park Road. This will be incorporated in a composite order that it is proposed to make before the Autumn, subject to the satisfactory completion of all the necessary statutory procedures. The letter also informs the Council that from the 1 March all waiting restrictions have been decriminalised, and as a result the police no longer are responsible for their enforcement which now rests entirely with WCBC.

5. BUS SHELTERS SERVICES AND STOPS

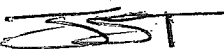
The Clerk reported that a site meeting had been held with the Operational Manager WCBC to look at a possible replacement or otherwise for the unofficial bus stop in Park Road. Cllrs Griffiths and Wynne were at the meeting, which became rather heated at times as members of the public arrived to express their views. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Operational Manager said that if WCBC can prove that they own the piece of footway adjacent to the property next to College Heights a bus stop sign will be put up and the stop made official.

6. PLAYINGFIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Cllr Monti asked the Clerk to send a letter to the Streetscene Team to thank them taking away the vandalised changing cabin from the Cheshire View Playing Field. He said that the Committee of Brymbo/Lodge FC are most grateful for this as it would have cost the Club a considerable amount to have the debris removed. He said young footballers have now been deprived of a facility that has been needed by an act of senseless vandalism.

7. LAMPS

Cllr A Stapley asked the Clerk to find out from the Council's contractor why a lamp in Harwd Road is still off. Cllr Birch reported that some lights that were out in Tanyfron are back on, but the new lamp on the steps at College Hill is not yet lit. Cllr Birch asked the Clerk to request a quote from NWP for a replacement lamp for Roseway, Tanyfron, for the one fenced off by the developer



Gordon Mytton Developments Ltd. He is of the opinion that as the planning consent did not contain a clause for a replacement lamp, WCBC should be asked to contribute towards the cost.

8. FOOTPATHS

The Countryside Ranger WCBC has inspected FP No 1 (Red Path), and a contractor is to be instructed to resurface the path on the section disturbed by an overgrown root. She had arranged a Local Access Forum meeting at Brymbo Enterprise Centre on 8 May, to which walk leaders, path adopters, and members of the Forum had been invited. The purpose of the Forum is to advise WCBC, the Countryside Council for Wales, and others, on the improvement of public access to land for open air recreation and to provide opportunities for protecting and enhancing the Public Rights of Way network. The Clerk informed the Council that Cllr Tilston had sent him a copy of an email he had sent to the Public Rights of Way Inspector WCBC, following a site meeting with him to inspect the reasons for obstructions to FP No 80. This set out options that were discussed for removing the obstructions or providing an alternative solution, and Cllr Tilston is to discuss these with the Council at the June meeting.

WAR MEMORIALS

The Clerk read out a letter from a Researcher (Military and Ecclesiastical History) asking for information on the display of certain War Memorials in Brymbo. The Clerk is to send a reply.

10. CHURCHYARDS. No further information.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered –

P/2008/0356 – Cell Site adjacent to Cefn Road Bwlchgwyn – Erection of 11 KV overhead line. Approved.

P/2008/0388 – Bryn y Fynnon House Bryn y Ffynnon Road Brymbo – Sub-division of existing dwelling into 2 houses together with single storey extension to replace garage and store. An objection has been lodged on the grounds of unsuitable access.

P/2008/0391 – Brymbo Pool Waterside Way Brymbo – Construction of disabled car parking area. Approved.

P/2008/0402 – Building plot at Argoed Brymbo Road Bwlchgwyn – Erection of detached dwelling & garage. Construction of new vehicular & pedestrian access. Approved.

P/2008/0419 – The Swallows Brymbo Road Bwlchgwyn – Sun lounge extension. Approved.

P/2008/0445 – Peniel House Golau Fryn Fron – Single storey extension & conservatory. Approved.

P/2008/0466 – The Poplars Ael y Bryn Brymbo – Outlined application for residential development (4 dwellings) construction of new vehicular & pedestrian access and alteration to existing vehicular & pedestrian access (previously granted under P/2005/0274). An objection has been lodged because of road safety issues.

P/2008/0472 – Newholme Villa Pen y Graig Road Brymbo – Conversion of existing dwelling into 2 dwellings. An objection has been lodged because of unsuitable access.

The Clerk informed the Council that an appeal has been made by the applicant against the decision by WCBC to refuse a planning application for P/2008/0156, listed in the March minutes. An amendment to planning application P/2008/0274, listed in the April minutes, has been received.

The Clerk has received copies of recent WCBC planning decisions. Denbs CC have sent details of a planning application for an extension to the Coed Llandegla Visitor Centre.

12. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – May 2008

1744	Scottish Power – Energy (April)	569.26
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1745	NWP Power Systems – Maintenance (April)	538.70	
	- New lamp by steps College Hill	2843.50	3382.20
1746	Allianz Insurance Plc – Insurance premium due 1 June		3450.20
1747	A R Cardiff – Salary		425.89
1748	Inland Revenue – Tax/NI		116.51
1749	BTRT – Hire of room for 13 May		20.00
1750	A R Cardiff – Refund of postages		14.80
1751	The Ramblers Association – Affiliated Club Membership 2008/9		36.00

The Clerk said that following the May elections there are now only six councillors who are signatories for Council cheques, and any councillor who wants to be added to this list should take the required means of identification to the Council's bankers who will arrange for this to be done.

13. DONATIONS

Letters of thanks for donations granted have been received from St Mary's Church Brymbo PCC, North Wales Deaf Assoc, North Wales Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Assoc, Alzheimers Society, and Urdd Gobaith Cymru. A letter has been received from Wrexham & Flintshire Groundwork thanking the Council for its £50.00 donation towards the Plas Power Biodiversity Community Events Project. It asks if the Council would be willing to increase this to a similar amount to Gwersyllt CC, who are willing to contribute £600.00 if the other four Councils asked agree to contribute a similar sum. The Clerk is to request information on events planned for the Community in the coming year. Donation requests to be considered in the June meeting are from Bwlchgwyn Residents Assoc, Brymbo Angling Club, Brymbo Luncheon Club, All Saints Church Southsea PCC, Family Friends 5s-11s, and Llangollen Int.Musical Eisteddfod.

14. ANNUAL RETURN 2007/8

The Clerk said that he has filed the Annual Return, comprising P35, P14, and P38(A) online with HM Revenue and Customs, and said that he wished to thank Cllr Davies for his help in doing this. Filing the return online has resulted in a tax credit and receipt of a cheque by the Council for £304.53 for 2005/6, and further credits of £150.00 for 2006/7, and £100.00 for 2007/8 will be earned.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence had been received by the Clerk –

Civic Support Officer – Invite for a representative to the Annual Meeting of WCBC 20 May.

Wrexham & District CAB – Statistics for the financial year to March 2008 of the Outreach Service and invoice for 2008/9. **WCBC** – re Dog Control Orders **One Voice Wales** – Bulletin and dates of meetings and requests for councillor nomination. Notice of 2008 Conference and AGM. **Welsh Assembly** – Statutory Instrument number 788 “The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) Order 2008. **Welsh Assembly** – Proposals to Change the Structure of the NHS in Wales consultation paper. **Groundwork Wrexham & Flintshire** – Newsletter. **Hope House Childrens Hospices** – April 2008 issue and draw tickets.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm. The next meeting is on Tuesday 10 June at 7.00 pm in Brymbo Enterprise Centre

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10/6/2008