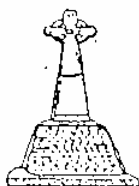


# BRYMBO



## CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Bethan M Hughes Clerk and Financial Officer**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> 2016 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE.

Present (Chairman) Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors M Liberatosciol, K Mathews, L Prince, and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillor D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillor M Jones.

County Borough Councillor P Rogers. Apologies received D Kelly.

Apologies- Councillors S Rawlinson, B Woodfine-Jones and T Birch.

Police Rhian Hughes and PCSO Robina Ahmed.

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup> 2015 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

### 2. POLICING

The Chairman introduced PCSO Robina Ahmed who had replaced PCSO Simister. Sergeant Rhian Hughes was also in attendance.

### BWLCHGWYN

10/12/15 theft of a mini digger

21/12/15 burg dwelling enquiries are on-going for both incidents,

Regular foot patrol conducted in the area to offer reassurance

### BRYMBO/TANYFRON

BURGLARY	0	
BOTD	0	
ASSAULTS	2	Enquiries on going
TFMV	0	
TOMV	0	
THEFT	0	
ROBBERY	0	
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	6	No particular crime pattern identified. To prevent increase in school holidays

		Operation Vex will be running, with targeted patrols in hot spot areas.
ARSON	0	
DRUGS	1	Local intelligence has supported proactive response.
ASB	17	Action plan in place.  Patrols have been increased in the area.

Members were told that there had been an increase in youth related anti-social behaviour in the village. The police and Cllr Rogers were working together to put an action plan in place. The Enterprise Centre was being considered for use as a central meeting place for the youths and activities were being planned. A member of the public said that the anti-social behaviour was taking place more frequently and worryingly in all weathers. She said that she feared the lighter nights as the situation could worsen. The Chairman said that statistics showed that the anti-social behaviour reduced when the weather was wet. There did not seem to be any pattern developing and that recently the gangs had reduced in size and the noise was not as bad. An action plan was now in place and a police presence was prominent in the area. Sergeant Hughes said that residents must report all incidents to either PCSO Ahmed, 101 or even the emergency number if they felt threatened. The Chairman said that business owners had raised concerns as well as residents, that youths from outside the area were causing a lot of the problems. Sergeant Hughes said that the action plan may take a few months before results were seen (as had been happened in other areas) however positive results were expected. The Chairman said that WCBC had agreed to cut back the trees on the site where the youths were congregating and this would improve visibility immensely. A request from residents had been made for an additional lamp on the path as the area was very dark. Cllr Jones said that after the trees were trimmed the decision could be discussed further and a quote obtained. Cllr Shone said he had every sympathy with residents as he had previously had to deal with similar issues in the past. Cllr Griffiths proposed, and Cllr Mathews seconded that a quote be obtained for a new lamp for the area and upon receipt of the quote a decision would be made. A vote was taken. There were 5 in favour and 1 abstention. The Chairman said he had received a request to switch off the lights at the MUGA in Argoed, however the police and members said that the lights should be kept on as this could be detrimental to the efforts of catching and dealing with the youths.

### **3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

The Chairman said that Brymbo developments were erecting fencing along the new road and a new pedestrian access. The gates were being left at the moment; however a new path was being discussed. He said that the new master plan had not as yet been revealed, however it was due this week. The Chairman said that a site in Brymbo was being looked at for affordable housing which would hopefully be bungalows for older residents of the village. He said this would be welcomed as

Brymbo had a lack of bungalows and could become a commuter village with anti-social problems if the balance was not right.

#### **4. ROADS**

Cllr Liberatosciol asked whether repeater 30m.p.h signs could be placed on the new road due to the volume of accidents that had occurred. Cllr Jones said that this was not possible as they had been requested in Bwlchgwyn and had been told that only one 30m.p.h sign could be placed on one stretch of road. Cllr Rogers said he would write to the Highway Dept. for confirmation of this. The Chairman said that grip testing had been carried out on the new road however it needed to be done again. He had received confirmation that the process had begun for a funding bid to help reduce accidents in the area and the new road would be a part of this bid.

#### **5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS**

No further information.

#### **6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS**

No further information.

#### **7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING**

The Chairman said that all lighting issues reported over the Christmas period had been resolved or passed to Scottish Power by Jones Lighting.

#### **8. WAR MEMORIAL**

No further information.

#### **9. PLANNING**

REMOVAL OF 2 EXISTING FIRST FLOOR WINDOWS AND REPLACEMENT WITH 3 NEW FIRST FLOOR WINDOWS INCLUDING ALTERATIONS TO ROOF THE BARN PENTRE SAESON FARM BRYMBO ROAD BWLCHGWYN

P/2015/0957- No observations.

REMOVAL OR VARIATION OF CONDITIONS IMPOSED UNDER PLANNING PERMISSION P/2008/0274

CONDITION 3-TO ALLOW OCCUPATION OF THE ANNEXE TO BE MORE FLEXIBLE

CONDITION 4- TO ALLOW ANCILLARY BUILDINGS (GARAGE AND STORE) TO BE USED BY OTHER UNIT

BRYN COCH RUTHIN ROAD BWLCHGWYN

P/2015/0958- Cllr Jones said that these plans were not on the website however she would be checking again.

#### **10. BRYMBO VACANCY**

3 applications had been received for the vacancy in Brymbo. The Chairman read out all three requests. Cllr Jones proposed that members invite the three candidates to the next meeting as had happened previously and members would then make a decision to co-opt. This was seconded by Cllr Liberatosciol. All were in favour.

### **11. CLERKS ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW**

The Clerk was asked to leave the room whilst members discussed this. Upon her return members told the Clerk that they would like more time to consider the Clerks salary as Cllr Jones said she would look into the pay grades in detail with One Voice Wales. The Clerk raised concerns that she had never been given a contract during her employment with the CC. Members said this would be looked into at the same time. The Clerk requested volunteers to become signatories on the Community Councils account as there were only three at present which meant that payments could not be made at the meeting as both other signatories were not in attendance. She said she would contact the bank to arrange this.

### **12. CORRESPONDENCE**

THE ARMY ENGAGEMENT GROUP

SUSAN ELAN JONES/KEN SKATES ADVICE OF SURGERIES INVITATION TO THE SWAMP LAND EXHIBITION

REQUEST FOR FUNDING FROM BRYMBO METHODIST CHURCH.

The request had been handed to the Clerk at the beginning of the meeting by the Chairman. The Clerk said she would send out the application form and request the appropriate documentation. The Chairman requested that the underspend from the Churchyard maintenance fund for 2015/2016 be ring-fenced for this request which was for a grant of £1000.00. Cllr Mathews proposed this. Cllr Prince seconded the proposal. There were 6 votes in favour. The motion was carried.

### **13. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

2904	B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	8.19
2905	INLAND REVENUE	396.80
2906	CANOPY TREE CARE	940.80
2907	JONES LIGHTING	1399.61
2908	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1059.98
2909	B M HUGHES SALARY	*
2910	ACCOUNTING SOLUTIONS PAYROLL	56.70

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

Signed ..... Chairman