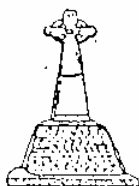


BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Bethan M Hughes Clerk and Financial Officer

15 Chestnut Avenue Wrexham LL12 7HS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2016 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE.

Present (Chairman) Cllr S Tilston (Bwlchgwyn)

Brymbo Ward- Councillors D Ashworth, K Mathews, L Prince, S Rawlinson, P Rogers and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors T Birch and D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward

Apologies-CBC D Kelly, Councillors S Monti and D Davies.

Police PCSO Ahmed.

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday November 8th 2016 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. POLICING

BURGLARY	0	
BOTD	1	15/11/16 shed broken into bikes taken
ASSAULTS	0	
TFMV	1	11/11/16 theft from vehicle
TOMV	0	
THEFT	1	theft of pups
ROBBERY	0	
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	0	
ARSON	0	
DRUGS	0	drugs Intel submitted
ASB	9	04/11/16 x 2 calls ASB letting off fireworks 09/11/16 x 2 calls ASB knock knock run 11/11/16 x 2 ASB rang flat buzzer ran away (knock

		knock run) 15/11/16 19/11/16 26/11/16 ASB Conservative Club
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Walkabout with Councillor Rogers discussed local issues.
Emerging issues-issues with the bat house.
Halloween and Bonfire Ops, patrols conducted in the area.
Cattle on highway x 3 calls

BWLCHGWYN

1 Arson-Vehicle on Nant y Ffrith woods set on fire, no suspects. No further investigation.

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS

Cllr Rogers told members that a section of Offa’s Dyke had been damaged and WCBC, CADW and North Wales Police were investigating.

Cllr Rogers said that Mr Derek Lloyd of Brymbo had offered a piece of land alongside St Mary’s Churchyard for burial space at no cost to the Community Council. The Vicar of the Church had said that the remaining spaces in the Churchyard were unsafe. Cllr Shone raised concerns that other cemeteries were full or at near capacity and someone needed to provide burial sites. Cllr Birch said that a sub-committee was needed to deal specifically with this as it would be a complex issue. All Brymbo Councillors would sit on the sub-committee with one representative from Bwlchgwyn and Tanyfron. A meeting would be arranged for the New Year to discuss the offer of the land and a way forward. Cllr Rogers said that he was disappointed from a County Borough Councillors perspective that WCBC had agreed to grant £50,000.00 to Splash Magic in Plas Madoc even after careful scrutiny of the trust’s accounts, when areas like Brymbo and Tanyfron received no public subsidies.

4. ROADS

Cllr Rogers said that Station Road, Green Road and the road outside the sports and social had been re-surfaced.

5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr Rogers said that 4 lighting columns were in urgent need of repair whilst others would need replacing soon. He agreed to obtain a quote from Jones Lighting for the 4 columns and also one for the others to compare prices.

8. WAR MEMORIAL

Cllr Rogers said that the stand holding the Wreaths at the War Memorial was no longer appropriate. Cllr Mathews said that Coleg Cambria had agreed to make a new one which was more suitable for purpose at no cost to the Community Council.

9. PLANNING

ERECTION OF STABLE BLOCK
TOP FARM PENTRE FRON ROAD COEDPOETH
P/2016/1089-No observations.

PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION FOR NEW BRYMBO PRIMARY SCHOOL
HERITAGE WAY BRYMBO

Cllr Rogers told members that the design and access statement along with the plans were now on line. Provision was for 315 pupils consisting of the school and nursery and a SEN provision. Completion was due for 2019. The diocese and WCBC were working together on the project.

10. PRECEPT AND COMMISSIONING FRAMEWORK FOR YOUTH SUPPORT SERVICE

It was agreed to discuss both the above Agenda items together as the funding for the Youth Service could have an impact on the precept for 2017/2018. All Councillors were in agreement that they would like to fund the Youth Service. Brymbo Councillors agreed that 2 sessions a week were needed and 1 each in Tanyfron and Bwlchgwyn. Youths from the 3 villages would be able to attend sessions in the other villages if desired therefore 4 sessions could be potentially available. The cost for this was approx. £16000.00. Additional support could then be made available if the provision was successful. Cllr Rawlinson said that the precept should be increased to fund the service. The Clerk said that as the Community Council had large reserves an alternative could be that the service was provided from these and trial it for 1 year to see how successful the scheme was with a view to providing the service in future years with a budget set for Youth Service at the following years precept meeting. She said that with such reserves the CC would need to look very carefully at any increase to the precept and would need to fully justify a decision to increase it. Cllr Rogers proposed and Cllr Birch seconded that the CC agreed in principle to fund four nightly Youth provision with Cllr Birch (Tanyfron) , Cllr Tilston (Bwlchgwyn) and himself (Brymbo) liaising with WCBC to get the service that suited each community individually. A vote was taken. All were in favour. This service would be funded from the CC's reserves. The finance committee had met to discuss the precept prior to the monthly meeting. All members had been sent a copy of the CC's accounts and expenditure up to November 2016. All budgets were carefully scrutinised. Members agreed that the budget categories would not be amended as they were used effectively. An amendment was made to the Churchyard budget which stood at £2000.00.Cllr Tilston said that each year the 3 Churches in the Ward had to request funding for the maintenance of the Churchyards. With the donations budget meeting quarterly this meant that on occasions the churches would not receive the funding until after the summer. He

proposed that the budget be split in three with St Mary's Brymbo receiving £1000.00, Southsea £500.00 and Christchurch Bwlchgwyn £500.00 and the Clerk would write in March each year requesting a bank statement and a letter requesting the funds in order that a cheque could be written in April annually. Cllr Rogers seconded the proposal. A vote was taken. All were in favour. The Clerk had requested that with an increased workload from when she had been appointed especially with the financial regulations for audit purposes her hours be increased from 12 per week in line with other Clerks. . The Clerk was asked to leave the room whilst discussions took place. Upon her return she was told that the Chairman, Cllr Rogers and Cllr Ashworth would meet prior to the January meeting after looking at her job profile. The Clerk raised concerns that she was still waiting for a contract after requesting one in January 2016, prior to the Audit, as it was now a requirement for Audit purposes. Members agreed that this would also be finalised in January 2017. This had been raised by the Internal Auditor. After taking into account the large reserves and the current budgets members agreed not to increase the precept for 2017/2018. As the tax base remained at 1939, there would be no increase to the ratepayers of the 3 wards of £51.22, which set the precept as £99315.58. Cllr Birch proposed that the precept remain at £99315.58. This was seconded by Cllr Mathews. A vote was taken there were 8 in favour and 1 against. The motion was carried.

11. BWLCHGWYN PROJECT

Cllr Tilston requested that the quotes he had now received for a project in Bwlchgwyn be considered. Members said that at the previous meeting CBC Kelly had raised concerns that there were not 3 Councillors representing Bwlchgwyn and that a project could not be agreed without 3 Councillors being present. The minutes were checked and verified that this had been agreed. Cllr Tilston said he was disappointed as he had agreed these works with the previous Councillor and had been given permission to go ahead with obtaining quotes to put before full Council. Members asked the Clerk to contact Cllr Woodfine-Jones to see if he would be attending the next meeting in January. The Clerk also said that she had received a letter in answer to the co-option vacancy placed in Bwlchgwyn. This was read out. As the Elections were 6 months away there was no need to co-opt however members agreed that the Clerk should contact electoral services to confirm that the CC could choose to co-opt as the gentleman who had shown an interest said he would like to be co-opted at the next meeting and see what the role of Community Councillor entailed before the May Elections. The Clerk said she would telephone the Electoral Service the next day for clarification and if co-option was allowed she would contact the interested party with a view to co-option in January 2017.

12. DONATION REQUEST

Cllr Shone noted that the donation budget was still healthy and made a plea that the CC makes a donation to help with the crisis in Yemen and Syria. The Clerk said that unfortunately all donation requests would need to be dealt with equally and the CC currently had a strict application process which needed to be adhered to. Also, the CC only considered donations requests from charities and organisations that benefitted the 3 wards.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

LETTER OF THANKS FROM NORTH WALES MINERS ASSOC. TRUST LTD
ONE VOICE WALES-NOTICE OF NEXT MONTHS MEETING & AGENDA
TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2017

14. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

3034	W D STANT BWLCHGWYN WAR MEMORIAL	1000.00
3035	BVHA HIRE OF ROOM OCTOBER	12.00
3036	WCBC LODGE C/C	469.57
3037	W D STANT VAT B/G WAR MEMORIAL	200.00
3039	B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	16.64
3040	B M HUGHES SALARY	*
3041	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1023.46

The meeting closed at 8.35p.m

Signed Chairman