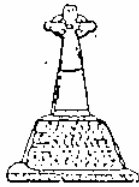


BRYMBO



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 11TH OCTOBER 2022 AT BRYMBO SPORTS AND SOCIAL COMPLEX

Present Chairman Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors D Ashworth, J Phelen and S Rawlinson,

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors J Barton, D Griffiths and G Hughes

Bwlchwyn Ward- Councillors -None

County Borough Councillor G Brown and J Wellens (P Rogers)

Apologies- Councillors K Mathews, L Prince, D Marsh and M Peacock

Police-None

A minutes silence was held to remember HRH Queen Elizabeth the Second.

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12th July 2022 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST-None

2. POLICING

No report had been received.

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

CBC Wellens opened by saying that he had met with Street scene to discuss ongoing issues. He said that the bus service in the village was causing issues for residents. He had been looking at community transport options with regards to this. There were also issues with speeding through the village. He said he was hoping to re-start communications regarding the Village Hall land issues and would work alongside WCBC and BCC to try to resolve this.

CBC Brown said that he had attended further training sessions. He was looking at developing the Community Agent project. The Chair said that BCC were in communication with WCBC regarding this and they were waiting to hear from them regarding joining a consortium with other CC's. He asked if there was any progress regarding the container for the Youth project. The Chair said that this had already been addressed and that BCC had an SLA with WCBC for this provision which was between WCBC and themselves. The issues with the container were in hand. CBC Brown said that he had been asked what provision was in place for residents of the new estate (Plas Brymbo) from Brymbo Community Council. The Clerk replied that

this had already been visited the previous year and correspondence had been sent to answer their queries. The Clerk asked CBC Brown if he could deliver his report as CBC rather than question what the CC were delivering and questioning their budget during meetings. She told members that she had received numerous e-mails from CBC Brown regarding various issues which were questioning the running of BCC. She told CBC Brown that any issues residents had regarding services provided by BCC should be addressed to her in order that she could address them in the appropriate manner. CBC said that he was unsure of who to deal with. The Clerk reminded him that he had taken her to one side at the end of the previous meeting and had queried this. She told him at the time that all correspondence should come to her in the first instance. CBC said that he was merely asking on behalf of residents. The Clerk felt that the nature of the e-mails were to question the running and effectiveness of the CC. She reminded everyone that Cllr's did not receive a salary and were volunteers who gave up their own free time often whilst holding down full time employment. She added that it was very difficult electing people to serve on the CC each year as a result of negative comments made by residents. CBC Brown said that he was concentrating on assistance for the cost of living crisis and the Chair said that he would fully support him with this. The Chair said that discussions were ongoing regarding the school site. CBC Rogers said that there were road safety concerns regarding Ael y Bryn which were being looked into. He told members that there was to be a Housing Environmental Day the coming Thursday and BCC had agreed to support this with funding skips.

4. ROADS

CBC Rogers said that WCBC had not been given additional funding for pot holes and were reliant on existing budgets this year. The repairs were to be made based on the depth of the pothole and therefore the quality of repair would be better.

5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

The Clerk had received an e mail from Gavin Stapley whose father Brian had been a Community Councillor.

He had requested a form of memorial to his father. The Chair said that during his time as Councillor Brian Stapley had always been keen to erect a bus shelter outside BTRT. The Chair would look into a fitting tribute with this in mind.

6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

No further information.

8. WAR MEMORIAL

The Clerk would order the wreaths for Remembrance Sunday.

9. PLANNING

SINGLE STOREY SIDE AND REAR EXTENSIONS

VERNCOURT TANYFRON ROAD TANYFRON

P/2022/0817-No observations.

10. LIGHTING CONTRACT

The Chair told members that 3 tenders had been received for the lighting contract. One contract was significantly lower than the others however upon looking into the terms and conditions the call out charge was significantly higher than the others and was much more expensive. The Chair said that Mega Electrical who had done work previously for the CC had been the successful bidder. At the previous meeting it had been agreed that the Clerk, Chair and Vice Chair would decide upon receipt of the tenders which company would be successful using their delegated powers. The Clerk told members that she had received notification from Scottish Power of the increase in electrical charges. The changes from 01/11/2022 would be:
Standing Charge increasing from 0.0 to 12p per day
Current rate increasing from 47p/kWH from 11.158 p/kWH. This was a significant increase and the precept would need to be looked at carefully in December as a result.

11. DONATIONS

One request had been received from Cerebral Palsy Wales. Cllr Ashworth proposed and Cllr Griffiths seconded that a donation of £250.00 be made. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

12. ACTIVE WREXHAM BWLCHGWYN

A request had been received from PCSO Edwards asking for a grant of £250.00 towards an initiative for Bwlchgwyn. Active Wxm created opportunities for children to get involved in sports to deter antisocial/drugs/crime in the general area. This would involve a 7 week boxing course. Both Cllr's from Bwlchgwyn fully supported this. Cllr Barton proposed and Cllr Griffiths seconded that the funding be made available. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

13. QUARTERLY ACCOUNTS

A copy of all income and expenditure was circulated to members. The Chair and Clerk signed the bank reconciliation.

14. TRAINING POLICY

The Clerk told members that under new legislation CC's had to publish their training policy on the website. BCC's training policy had been circulated by the Clerk prior to the meeting. Cllr Ashworth proposed, and Cllr Rawlinson seconded that the training policy be adopted. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

15. CHRISTMAS EVENTS AND TREES

The Chair said that the Christmas event this year would be held at the Enterprise Centre (outdoor space only) as it was the ideal location. BTRT had said that the CC could use the car park and the hall if shelter was needed due to poor weather. They could also provide electricity. The Chair said that members had discussed options and had decided to book a marquee/gazeebo for the event. Selection boxes, hotdogs and liquid refreshment would be given to the children free of charge. Also the visit to Santa would be free. Costings for this would be approx. £2500.00. The Chair said that the CC had saved £950.00 from the play project therefore this would go towards it and the remaining budget form each village's environmental fund.

Bwlchgwyn would be organising their own event. The Chair said that this was a free event for the communities. Cllr Hughes proposed and Cllr Ashworth seconded that the CC fund this event. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

Christmas Trees-As in previous years the CC would fund Christmas trees for the 3 villages. Bwlchgwyn would purchase 3 and Tanyfron and Brymbo 2 each.

16. CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Peacock had advised the Clerk that he had been asked to join the Governors as a representative of BCC for Bwlchgwyn School and had agreed to this.

17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk told members that the CC was now using internet banking as opposed to cheques.

75	DEFIB STORE REPAIRS RE VANDALISM	519.84
76	YSGOL TYF BANNERS ROAD SAFETY	710.00
77	B HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	3.80
78	SHERRATTS BRONWENS GREEN	327.70
79	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1102.62
80	HAFREN DYFRDWY BRONWENS GREEN	77.70
81	CHRIST CHURCH BWLCHGWYN GRANT	500.00
82	CLERK'S SALARY	*

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

Signed Chairman