

**BRYNFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the meeting of Brynford Community Council held 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 at Brynford C.P. School.

**PRESENT:**

**Councillor D. Jones – Chairman**

**Councillor J. Davies**

**Councillor W. Beaumont**

**Councillor M. Flynn**

**Councillor L. O’Hare**

**Councillor G. Legg**

**Councillor T. Stephenson**

**Councillor P. Wahl**

**APOLOGISE FOR ABSENCE:**

**Councillor A. Davies**

**Councillor M. Wright – Flintshire County Council**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council**

**59/16 ITEMS RAISED BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**

Mr. D. Lloyd-Jones advised that he had been making enquiries as to having a ‘Blue Plaque’ erected on the birth place of Ron Davies, having lived in Brynford, in recognition of his services as an International Professional Footballer.

Mr. Lloyd-Jones further advised that the Blue Plaque Scheme was administered by Flintshire County Council and that Councillor G. Roberts was making enquiries as to the process for making an application. Members confirmed that they would be very supportive of the scheme.

Councillor W. Beaumont advised that consideration should also be given for including H.M. Stanley who had also lived in Brynford.

Mrs. Lorna Jenna advised that these could be included as part of the Heritage Lottery Grant Funding bid that she was submitting on behalf of the Council.

1.

**60/16 BRYNFORD VILLAGE GREEN HERITAGE LOTTERY FUNDING BID**

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mrs. Lorna Jenna who presented the draft overview of the project outlining the topics that could be included in the grant application.

At the present time Flintshire was being promoted by the Heritage Lottery Fund up until 2018 and grants of up to £10,000 were being sought. The application on behalf of the Council totalled £8,000 with a contribution of £1,500 from the Council.

Copies of the application were left with the Council for further consideration and instruction.

**RESOLVED:**

That the subcommittee, Councillors J. Jones, W. Beaumont, T. Stephenson and P. Wahl would meet and discuss the draft application and report back to the Council at the November meeting.

That the Council approved match funding the application up to £1,500.

**61/16 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None were declared in respect of the business of the Council.

**62/16 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 were approved as a correct record.

**63/16 CO-OPTION OF MEMBER ONTO THE COUNCIL.**

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Councillor Graham Legg who had been co-opted onto the Council. Graham duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form and advised that he looked forward to working with fellow members of the Council.

2.

**64/16 STREETSCENE SERVICES**

Councillor L. O'Hare reported that refuse bins were not being fully emptied and that brown bins were not being left at the correct properties.

Councillor O'Hare also enquired if any response had been received from the dog warden service regarding attending a future meeting of the Council. The Clerk advised that no response had been received. Councillor O'Hare requested that the lack of response from Flintshire County Council be reported in the Halkyn Mountain News.

Councillor J. Davies enquired if dog fouling signs could be provided to her in order that they could be distributed to local residents.

Councillor Flynn reported that the large stones on the slip road from Brynford Hill, that had been reported at the September meeting of the Council, were still on the road and that Brynford Hill was in need of de-littering.

Councillor P. Wahl reported that, despite reporting the overgrown trees on the verge of Milwr Road, no pruning had been undertaken and that visibility for drivers was being obstructed.

**RESOLVED:**

That the above matters be brought to the attention of Streetscene and be included on the Environmental Audit Survey.

**65/16 OVERNIGHT PARKING ON FFRITH LANE, BRYNFORD COMMON**

Councillors D. Jones, L. O'Hare, and J. Davies reported that they had attended a site meeting with Mr. T. Birtles, Rural Property Manager, Eaton Estate regarding vehicles parking on the common for long periods of time. A number of measures were discussed, the preferred option being the erection of a barrier at the entrance to Ffrith Lane with signage confirming no overnight parking and that the barrier would be locked.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Council agreed to support the above proposal and would advise Mr. Birtles accordingly.

3.

**66/16 COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION CONSULTATION**

Councillors J. Davies and L.O'Hare reported that they had met with Paul Robson, Community Transportation Manager, Flintshire County Council before the commencement of tonight's meeting. Mr. Robson had provided information on why the current service was under review and options for delivering a service based upon community identified needs. Members felt that the information provided was the same as provided at the July meeting of the Council and that little progress was being made.

The Council agreed to support a community consultation lead by officers of Flintshire County Council, the findings of which would be used to share with neighbouring Town and Community Councils to form a partnership approach to identify community transport needs.

**67/16 BRYNFORD FOOTBALL CLUB – USE OF BRYNFORD RECREATION GROUND**

The Chairman of A.F.C. Brynford Football Club, Mr. John Ward, had written to the Council advising of the work to improve the condition of facilities that had been undertaken to date and the need for further investments to meet the requirements of league conditions. In order that financial grant applications could be made to undertake further works, the club require a formal tenancy agreement to be in place.

Members commented on how well the recreation ground looks and appreciate the improvement works that had been undertaken. However, given that the recreation ground was for community use and not solely for football, they felt that the ground was at its limit of potential improvements. The Clerk reported that the Council had previously provided the club with a condition of use annual agreement, copies of which were provided for members' information.

Members requested that some modifications be made to the terms of the agreement and a further copy be sent to Mr. Ward for his consideration, together with a letter of thanks for the improvements made to the condition of the recreation ground.

4.

**68/16 EXTERNAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2016**

The Clerk reported that the external auditor BDO, had concluded the year-end audit returning the Annual Return for the Council's formal approval. A report on issues arising from the audit had also been received, copies of which had been provided by the Clerk to all members for consideration.

The Clerk also confirmed that Notice of Conclusion of Audit had been displayed.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Council approved the Annual Return and note the findings of the audit. That the Clerk will prepare a report of the findings of the Audit for the Council's further consideration.

**69/16 SUMMER PLAY SCHEME 2016**

Mr. M. Welch, Principle Leisure Services Officer, Flintshire County Council had written to the Council advising of the success of this year's scheme totalling 188 attendances over the 3 week period that the scheme ran. Councillor T. Stephenson reported that the School Governing Body had also recorded that the scheme had been well received.

**70/16 FLINTSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – STRATEGIC GROWTH AND SPATIAL OPTIONS WORKSHOP**

Mr. A. Farrow, Head of Planning Services, Flintshire County Council had written to the Council advising of a number of dates that the above workshops were being held. The Council were being invited to send members to participate.

**RESOLVED:**

That Councillors D. Jones and P. Wahl would represent the Council.

**71/16 DEVELOPMENT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND OFF HALKYN ROAD, A5026**

Councillor T. Stephenson reported that an entrance-way had been enlarged and that roadway construction works were being undertaken on agricultural land adjacent to the A55 slip road.

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**RESOLVED:**

That the Clerk write to the Planning Authority advising that no planning consultation has been received by the Council for this ongoing development.

**72/16 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

**RESOLVED:**

That the following accounts were approved:-

1346) Deeco Lighting (P.C.A.1957s3)	Provision of new light	£474.00
1347) Brynford C.P. School (L.G.A.1972s144,145)	Conservation grant	£50.00
1348) H.M. Revenue & Customs (L.G.A.1972s112)	P.A.Y.E.	£99.09
1349) A. Roberts (L.G.A.1972s112,131)	Clerk's salary	£395.45
1350) Flintshire County Council (L.G.(M.P.A.)1976s19)	Summer Play Scheme	£900.00
1351) S. Jones Business Solutions Ltd (L.G.A.1972s111)	P.A.Y.E. Returns	£120.00

**73/16 DURATION OF MEETING.**

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm and was closed at 8.50pm.

**CHAIRMAN**

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