

LLANASA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of the Llanasa Community Council held on Tuesday 25th January 2022, at the Community Centre, Ysgol Bryn Garth.

PRESENT: Councillor D Brown (Chairman)
Councillors: Mrs G Fisher
J Williams
G Banks
Ms S Braun
Mrs E Harvey
M Williams
Mrs J Hughes
J Larner
Ms E Charlton-Fleming
Together with the Clerk.

- 1.) **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Roberts, Mrs D Banks and T Roberts.

The Chairman wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

- 2.) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None declared at this time.

- 3.) **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THE 16TH NOVEMBER 2021.**

Copies of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at Talacre Community Centre had been circulated with the meeting papers. Councillor Mrs Fisher proposed, seconded by Councillor Mrs Harvey, that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting, and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising:

Councillor G Banks expressed concerns that reports of street-lighting faults were not being reported for repairs in a timely manner, advising Members that street-lights were still not working on Picton Road, despite having been reported some months ago. In addition, lighting faults on the Rhiw footpath and in Tyn y Morfa had not been repaired. Councillor Banks advised that he has taken to

reporting faults directly to MEGA Electrical. During conversations with MEGA Electrical, Councillor Banks had been advised that the company would carry out a street-lighting survey and numbering exercise at a cost of £3800. The Chairman expressed his opinion that this would be a good idea. Councillors voted by a show of hands, and this proposal was carried.

4.) TO DETERMINE THE PRECEPT FOR THE 2022/23 FINANCIAL YEAR.

Councillor G Banks questioned the estimates of income and expenditure circulated prior to Christmas. He had requested some alternative figures with the estimates to consider 5% and 10% reductions or increases to the Precept which had not been received. A meeting had been proposed in December specifically to discuss the proposed Precept for 2022/23, which had not taken place. The Clerk advised that the calculations had been circulated, and a suggestion had been made to arrange a virtual meeting. The Chairman had indicated he felt a meeting was important, and Councillor J Williams had contacted the Clerk agreeing to the suggestion that the Precept should remain the same as the current year. There had been no other contact to arrange a meeting.

The Chairman expressed his opinion that in the event that our process was audited, did we consider alternatives? The Chairman stated he felt uncomfortable with the figures provided.

The Clerk indicated that at the time the estimates were prepared, the expenditure on street-lighting of £10400 and £3800 had not been agreed, and were not included in the figures for 2021/22. Despite this, the Clerk advised Members that the reserves held at the 31st December 2021 would be sufficient to cover these costs.

The proposal to leave the Precept at the same level as 2021/22 of £66300 was carried.

The Clerk would advise Flintshire County Council accordingly.

5.) TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

063910 Change of use of land for the siting of holiday caravans at land adjoining Woodbank, Coast Road, Gronant.

Councillors discussed this application which has been submitted previously. The lay-bye in front of the site was flooded regularly and Councillors believe the construction of groundworks for 11 static caravans would only increase the amount of rainwater flowing into the lay-bye. In addition, access to the site was believed to be a major problem which would cause a hazard to traffic on the Coast Road.

Members recalled that the Highways department had objected to the application previously.

Objections would be submitted.

063826 Renovation, alteration and extension of the White Lion public house to improve access, create new facilities and improve owner's accommodation, including the reconstruction of the adjacent garage block and outhouses to provide a two-bedroom holiday let, the provision of four moveable 'Shepherds Huts' for holiday letting, and re-surfacing the existing access road at White Lion Inn, Glan-yr-Afon, Llanasa.

No Objections

063756 Application for removal or variation of a condition following grant of planning permission. (055398) at land north of Coed Mor, Rhewl Fawr Road, Penyffordd.

Councillors discussed this application and requested more information be obtained on which condition was being removed or amended.

063960 The Clerk had been contacted by several residents submitting objections to an application for the construction of 10 log cabins at Ynys Hir Farm.

As we had not been notified of this application at this time by Flintshire County Council, this item would be included on the agenda for the February meeting.

Councillor G Banks advised Members a planning application had been submitted for the refurbishment and extension of the Mostyn Lodge Hotel. Councillor Banks understood the application was to maximise the number of bedrooms for social needs.

Councillors discussed this application, and agreed that we should obtain details for consideration.

6.) **TO REVIEW THE QUOTATION FROM MEGA ELECTRICAL FOR FURTHER STREET-LIGHTING UPGRADES**

Copies of the quotation from MEGA Electrical for the further street-lighting upgrade works had been circulated with the meeting papers.

As this matter had been covered in matters arising, the proposal was carried.

7.) **ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED

That the accounts, as submitted, be approved for payment.

8.) **CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT**

As per finance list - £1985.45

Copies of the bank reconciliation as at 31st December 2021 had been circulated with the meeting papers showing bank reserves at that date of £129701.46.

9.) **PETTY CASH**

As per Cash-book - £1.53

9.) **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor G Banks asked whether a timetable could be published for the street-light inspections over the five darkest months. The Clerk advised that the December inspection had been carried out on the 31st of the month as MEGA Electrical had been working on faults up to Christmas Eve, and had then provided a fault report including the quotation for the upgrade works, and indications of Scottish Power attention required.

The Chairman advised Members that the proposed presentation on the Flecsi Bus service had been postponed until such time as face-to-face meetings were deemed safe.

The Clerk advised Members that he had been in contact with the North Wales police and they had also indicated that their face-to-face attendance at meetings had also been stopped until it was deemed safe to do so. PCSO Mathew Griffith had asked whether any issues could be related to him following the meeting.

Councillor Mrs Harvey advised Members of the problems being faced by residents of Talacre with youths riding on the sand-dunes and through the village on motor bikes. There had been numerous incidents of anti-social behaviour and intimidation. The Clerk would relay these issues to the North Wales Police.

Councillor J Williams advised Members of the parking issues being experienced on Llanasa Road, Gronant. As a result of vehicles parking on the corner of Gwel y Mor, refuse collection vehicles are unable to access the road to empty the bins. This issue has been raised several times previously, with the Police advising the County Council are responsible, and the County Council advising it is a Police issue. No-one appears to want to accept responsibility and the residents are being affected. The Clerk would relay these issues to the North Wales Police.

Councillors agreed unanimously that we should extend an invitation to the Police to attend our scheduled meeting in February 2022.

Councillor Mrs Harvey advised Members that the property on 4th Avenue in Talacre had now been completed following retrospective planning permission being granted. One of the conditions following granting of permission had been when the build was complete, the old building should be demolished. This had not been carried out, and it would now appear that it was occupied. The Clerk would relay this issue to Planning Enforcement.

Councillor Lerner advised Members that it had been agreed that the location for the defibrillator equipment was on the gatepost at the Village Hall, and an electrician had been contacted to connect power to the site. It was agreed that we should now order the equipment. The Chairman asked whether all villages within our area had access to defibrillator equipment. After discussion, Members agreed that Glan yr Afon village does not appear to have access.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting.

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Chairman