

LLANASA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of the Llanasa Community Council held on Tuesday 15th February 2022, at the Community Centre, Ysgol Bryn Garth.

PRESENT: Councillor D Brown (Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs G Fisher

J Williams

G Banks

Mrs E Harvey

M Williams

Mrs J Hughes

J Larner

I Luke

Together with the Clerk and 4 members of the public.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr Nigel Seaburg of Flintshire County Council, Street-scene department, was welcomed to the meeting. The members of the public present represented two local primary schools, Ysgol Gronant and Ysgol Mornant, Picton. The schools had made contact with Councillor G Banks and requested some road signage be put up to provide direction to the two schools. Councillor Banks had forwarded this request to Mr Seaburg.

Mr Seaburg advised those present that the signs could be provided, in brown and white, although Flintshire County Council does not as a rule erect signs for schools throughout the County. The costs of such signs would be £25 for single sided, or £55 for double-sided. Mr Seaburg and Councillor Banks would meet to decide on locations for the signs. Mr Seaburg advised that should it be found that new poles were required to be installed, there would be a charge of £395 per pole. Mr Seaburg also advised that once erected, the signs would belong to the Community Council, and any damage or replacement would be the responsibility of the community council.

Members asked how many signs were being considered and it would appear that 5 would be required for Ysgol Gronant, and 4 for Ysgol Mornant, Picton.

The Chairman asked Members whether they were in principle in support of this proposal, subject to clarification of the costs.

Agreed Unanimously.

Councillor Mrs Fisher and Councillor G Banks advised Members they would be declaring an interest in this matter as they are Governors at Ysgol Gronant and Ysgol Mornant respectively.

Mr Seaburg then advised Members of road re-surfacing works being carried out in the area including the Gronant / Gwespyr crossroads, the stretch of Picton Road towards Gan-yr-Afon in Penyffordd. It was also advised that the entrance to Gamfa Wen car-park in Talacre was being re-surfaced on the 16th February.

Councillor Mrs Fisher asked whether the road at the duck-pond in Trelogan could be included on the list of repairs required, and Councillor Mrs Harvey asked whether the bridge on Station Road, Talacre could be added to the list.

Councillor Mrs Harvey asked who was responsible for closing the gates to Gamfa Wen car-park as they were sometimes left open until late into the night, and youths on motor-bikes were using the car-park as a racing circuit. Mr Seaburg advised he would look into this matter. It was also stated that the car-park land is leased by Flintshire County Council from ENI, who have stated they do not want the car-park to be re-surfaced.

Councillor G Banks advised that the hedge and fence had been removed from the bridge on Station Road, Talacre which had left a dangerous cliff edge. Mr Seaburg said he would review the area.

Councillor J Williams reported on the parking situation on Gwel-y-Mor, Gronant. Neither Flintshire County Council or North Wales Police would appear to accept responsibility for this matter. Refuse collection vehicles could not gain access to the road due to vehicles parking across the pavements at the end of the road. Mr Seaburg advised we send a letter to the Chief Officer requesting clarification on this matter. Councillor Luke advised Members that the parking issue in Talacre had been reported for approximately 20 years before the yellow lines had been installed. Mr Seaburg advised that the county council had been inundated with requests for yellow lines to be introduced, but also advised that a lengthy consultation process was required prior to any action being taken.

Councillor G Banks advised Members that Buckley is to be a test area for the new 20mph scheme. The road from the Mold roundabout to Dobshill had been chosen for this trial. Mr Seaburg advised that Flintshire County Council were required to review all roads with 30mph speed limits with a view to reducing the speed limits to 20mph. They then had to report back to the Welsh Government for determination of the new scheme.

Mr Seaburg advised that a problem had been identified with the re-surfacing work that had been carried out on Gronant Hill, Gronant. Discussions were being held between Flintshire County Council and the contractors with the county council wanting the work to be re-done.

Mr Seaburg advised that channels had been re-opened on Nant-y-Crai Lane, Gronant which had allowed a better run off of rain water. It was also advised that there had been a big improvement in the ditch levels in Ffynngroyw following the works carried out by Street-scene, Natural Resources Wales and Network Rail. The works were now almost complete but there had been a marked improvement in water flow.

Councillor J Williams asked whether there was a start-date for the new housing development in Nany-y-Gro, Gronant. Mr Seaburg advised that a water culvert had been found so no start-date was yet available.

The Chairman thanked Mr Seaburg for his attendance.

1.) **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Roberts, Mrs D Banks, Ms Braun and Ms Charlton-Fleming.

2.) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None declared at this time. Declaration of interest forms would be sent to Councillor Mrs Fisher and Councillor G Banks in connection with the proposed funding for school signs.

3.) **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THE 25TH JANUARY 2022.**

Copies of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 25th January 2022 had been circulated with the meeting papers. Councillor G Banks asked whether confirmation of the minutes could be withheld at this time. The Chairman agreed to this.

4.) **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.**

063960 10 proposed log cabin holiday units at Ynys Hir Farm, Picton Road.

The Clerk advised Members he had been contacted by several local residents who had submitted objections to this proposal. Councillor G Banks advised that the Planning Officer had recommended refusal of this application, however any objections should still be submitted.

Objections would be submitted.

064064 Erection of a single storey rear extension as 12 Mostyn Road, Gronant

No Objections

063997 Proposed internal reconfiguration at ground floor together with the construction of a new roof with raised ridge height and steeper pitch to incorporate three dormer bedrooms within roof space at Cilfach, Walwen Lane, Axton

No Objections

064025 Erection of a 'mini aerial adventure' to enhance the existing outdoor activity area at Presthaven Beach Resort, Shore Road, Gronant.

No Objections

064009 Construction of single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling with balcony deck to top, in lieu of existing single storey structure to be removed at 6 Y Berthlog, Trelogan

No Objections

5.) **ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED

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

6.) **CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT**

As per finance list - £2685.97

The Clerk pointed out that the figure included on the agenda in respect of the monthly invoice to Scottish Power was estimated as the meeting papers had been issued prior to receipt of the invoice. The invoice had subsequently been received at the same amount.

The Clerk advised Members he had tried to contact the supplier of the defibrillator equipment to place the order for Gwespyr village, but had had no response. The Clerk would continue with attempts to contact Tomos Hughes to proceed with this order.

7.) **PETTY CASH**

As per Cash-book - £1.53

8.) **STREET-LIGHTING AUDIT**

The Clerk had circulated copies of the street-lighting audit which had been carried out on the 27th January. Following completion of the audit, the Clerk had been advised that several of the faults had been repaired by MEGA Electrical, and had carried out a further inspection. The remaining faults had been identified from the January audit.

Councillor G Banks advised Members that some of the street-lights on Picton Road, Penyffordd were still not working despite having been reported to Scottish Power early in January. Councillor Banks requested that we chase up Scottish Power via MEGA Electrical.

The Clerk advised that the next street-light audit would be carried out on the 25th February.

The street-light numbering exercise to be carried out by MEGA Electrical was discussed. Members were of the opinion that the plastic stickers would not be robust enough and may need replacing within a couple of years. Councillor Banks advised Members that Flintshire County Council could provide a plastic sign at a cheaper price, which should be investigated.

The Clerk would advise MEGA Electrical to withhold work on the numbering exercise pending agreement to the numbering device. A sample would be helpful at the next meeting.

9.) **TO DETERMINE A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PROPOSED NORTH WALES POLICE FORUM**

It was as yet unknown when the proposed forum's first meeting would take place, however Councillors agreed that the Chairman should represent the Council at any meetings convened.

10.) **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Mrs Harvey reported the situation from 4th Avenue, Talacre where the property now has a number of static caravans sited on the property. In addition, the caravans are now being connected to the drains. Councillor G banks advised this has been reported to Flintshire County Council, Planning and Enforcement who will be inspecting.

The situation regarding the number of refuse bins being put out for collection at this property and also at 5th Avenue, Talacre was raised. The refuse collection operatives had originally advised the residents that they could not collect all the refuse, however following threatening behaviour, had emptied the bins.

Despite reports, the North Wales Police had not taken any action.

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

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