

LLANASA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting of the Llanasa Community Council held on Tuesday, 18th October 2022, at Ysgol Bryn Garth, Penyffordd

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs E Harvey (Chairman)
Councillors: Mrs D Banks
G Banks
D Brown
Ms E Charlton-Fleming
Mrs J Roberts
J Williams
Mrs K J Hughes
Mrs G Fisher
Mrs G Maddison
M Williams
J Larner
I Luke

Together with the Clerk.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr Nigel Seaburg of Street-scene department of Flintshire County Council attended the meeting to advise Members of the following issues in the Community.

The closure of the gates to the car-park on Gamfa Wen, Talacre was now being carried out at the correct times. The fence to the rear of the Community Centre was being repaired, and repairs had been carried out to the fencing on the railway bridge in Talacre. A 'slow' traffic sign had been erected on Station Road before the railway bridge. Councillor Mrs Harvey commented that this was some distance from the bridge, but Mr Seaburg advised it was a requirement to be that far.

Councillor Brown asked whether traffic calming measures could be considered for the village of Llanasa, as the main road through the village was being used as a race-track. Mr Seaburg advised we should contact Mr Anthony Stanford of the road safety team at Flintshire County Council. Mr Seaburg also advised that it was a lengthy process in getting measures installed.

Councillor Mrs Hughes asked who to contact regarding yellow-line parking restrictions for Gronant. Mr Seaburg again advised Mr Stanford would be the first point of call.

Councillor Mrs Banks asked whether white-line parking restrictions could be put in place on Main Road, Ffynnongroyw outside the church. Mr Seaburg advised there was a detailed legal process to go through, and again Mr Anthony Stanford should be contacted.

Councillors reported the following items to Mr Seaburg, who confirmed he would look into each item.

Councillor Luke asked whether the hedges at the Bowling Green in Ffynnongroyw could be cut back.

Councillor Mrs Fisher advised that the triangle of land at the crossroads in Trelogan was overgrown and required cutting back.

Councillor J Williams reported that many of the road-signs in Gronant were now covered in overgrown hedges. Councillor J Williams also reported that a building site at the bottom of Gwel-y-Mor, Gronant was not fenced.

Councillor Ms Charlton-Fleming reported that the land at the rear of Ffynnongroyw Community Council was badly overgrown. The contractors came on a regular basis and cut the land at the front, but did not look at the rear. Mr Seaburg asked whether the land at the rear was included on the contract. Councillor G Banks confirmed he would email the details to Mr Seaburg.

The Clerk asked whether there had been any progress on the school road-signs. Mr Seaburg advised he was waiting for confirmation of the wording of each sign, whether the family centre was to be included, and whether the signs should be bi-lingual. Councillor G Banks reported that Ysgol Bryn Garth would also like signs erecting.

1.) **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies were received prior to the meeting from Councillor Ms Braun.

2.) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None declared at this time.

3.) **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THE 23RD SEPTEMBER 2022.**

Copies of the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 23rd September 2022 had been circulated with the meeting papers.

Councillor Mrs Hughes proposed, seconded by Councillor Mrs Fisher, that the minutes be approved, and signed by the Chairman.

4.) **MATTERS ARISING**

Councillor Mrs Fisher advised she had contacted one of the ladies that had attended the meeting in September to raise objections to planning application 000434, but no further information was available.

Councillor Luke asked whether the police had been invited to this meeting. The Clerk confirmed dates of all meetings had been sent to the police together with numerous invitations to attend. Despite this, Councillors were unable to recall the last time any member of the police had attended our meetings.

The Clerk confirmed he would send an invitation for the police to attend the November meeting. Councillor Brown advised we should make contact with higher officers of the North Wales police. Councillor G Banks advised the police were talking about closing some of the stations along the North Wales coast, and were considering opening a 'police hub' on Presthaven Caravan Park.

The Clerk reported he had met with Mr Arfon Williams-Cooke to discuss the refurbishment scheme for the benches under the responsibility of the Community Council. Mr Williams-Cooke had provided a quotation for the works which was shared with Members. After discussion, Councillor Luke proposed, seconded by Councillor G Banks, that the quotation be accepted. **Agreed Unanimously.**

5.) **TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY FLINTSHIRE CC.**

000471 Change of use of redundant office / amenity building to form 1no. additional holiday cottage unit at Berth y Bwl Farm, Four Crosses to Berthengham Crossroads, Trelogan.

No Objections

000491 Listed building application. Internal modifications, formation of a new opening into the side of the property and installation of bi-fold doors to create access onto the side of the premises to form a new outdoor drinking space at the Red Lion Inn, Llanasa.

No Objections

Councillor G Banks advised Members that the owner of the property on the Coast Road, Tanlan where trees had been removed and the land cleared, had been instructed by the court to return the land to its original condition, and had been fined. Two further court appearances were to follow, which had been brought by Natural Resources Wales. Flintshire County Council were waiting for these court appearances to be finalised before they took any action.

6.) **ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED

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

8.) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

As per finance list - £6824.05.

7.) PETTY CASH

As per Cash-book - £1.53 (Not being used at this time.)

8.) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk advised Members he had completed early estimates of the 2023/24 Precept, and as requested had calculated reductions of 5%, 10% and 15%. At this time the tax base had not been provided by Flintshire County Council, which was expected to increase, so although useful, the figures could change by the time the Council's requirement was finalised. Copies of the calculations would be circulated for consideration at the November meeting.

There were still street-light faults on Station Road, Talacre and Tanrallt Road, Gwespyr which had not been repaired despite being reported to MEGA Electrical. The faults on Station Road, Talacre had been referred to Scottish Power by MEGA. The Clerk would contact MEGA Electrical to request early repairs. The numbering exercise on the street-lights throughout the area had still not been carried out and despite several signage samples being sourced, none were considered suitable. Councillors agreed that this was now a matter of urgency, and should be progressed as soon as possible.

Councillor Brown asked whether there had been any meetings that Council had been invited to that had not been advised to Councillors. The Clerk advised there had been a meeting of the West Flintshire Town & Community Council working group held on the 10th October. The invitation had been sent out on the 6th October while the Clerk was on holiday. Councillor Brown asked that details of all future meetings should be circulated to Councillors in order that a representative of this Council could be determined. Councillor Brown also asked for any report or minutes from such meetings be circulated to Councillors.

There had been an incident with the defibrillator equipment sited at Ysgol Bryn Garth when a member of the public had attempted to gain access to the cabinet. It would appear that the access code supplied would not work, and the cabinet had to be forced open to gain access to the equipment. Councillors agreed unanimously that all defibrillators under the responsibility of the Council should be registered with the national defibrillator network (The Circuit) and the correct access codes should be confirmed, and if necessary, all codes should be amended and the information on The Circuit changed accordingly.

Councillor Luke asked whether all defibrillators could be transferred to a national body for them to maintain. Councillor Mrs Roberts considered this to be a good idea.

The Clerk would meet with the Headteacher of Ysgol Bryn Garth, Mr O'Grady, to review the damage to the defibrillator cabinet, and arrange for repairs or replacement to be carried out in order that the equipment could be available once more.

Councillor G Banks advised Members that as a result of the parking situation in Ffynnongroyw, there was a danger that the Arriva bus service would be withdrawn. There had been several incidents where buses and other vehicles had struggled to get through the village. Councillor G Banks also advised that Flintshire County Council had proposed off-street parking and a 'one-way system' in order to alleviate the problems.

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

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Chairman