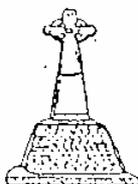


# BRYMBO



## 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 12<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015 AT THE ENTERPRISE CENTRE BRYMBO

Present (Chairman) - Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors M Liberatosciol, K Mathews, K Monti, L Prince, and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillor D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors – M Jones and B Woodfine-Jones.

County Borough Councillor D Kelly.

Apologies- Councillors S Rawlinson, M Reston, S Tilston, T Birch and D Davies.

Police PCSO Simster

The minutes of the meeting of April 14<sup>th</sup> were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

### 2. POLICING

#### CRIME TYPE

#### NUMBERS

#### COMMENTS

CRIME TYPE	NUMBERS	COMMENTS
BURGLARY	0	
BOTD	2	Brymbo Steelworks 1 person arrested Storage area and vehicles entered items taken-on-going
ASSAULT	6	Brymbo 3 x Domestic related, 1x fight between 2 persons, on-going Bwlchgwyn –Youth on an adult
TFMV	0	
TOMV	1	Brymbo –Vehicle taken from outside property, vehicle recovered on-going
THEFT	0	
ROBBERY	0	

CRIMINAL DAMAGE	2	Tanyfron –On-going alleged neighbourly dispute. Vehicle wing mirrors damaged ASB related, on-going.
ARSON	0	
DRUGS	0	
ASB	Personal=3 Environmental=1 Nuisance =5 Harassment =1	Brymbo -Messages via social media Bwlchgwyn - Neighbour dispute Brymbo - Grass fire Brymbo - 3 x youths, 1 young adults, 1 children Bwlchgwyn - Neighbour dispute on going

Cllr Rogers told PCSO Simster that there had been a few problems with youths from outside the village over the last few weeks. He said he would monitor this.

### 3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Kelly said that there were on-going issues with overgrown signage near to the Moors junction. He was liaising with Street scene to rectify the problem. With regard to the drainage issue reported by Cllr Woodfine-Jones at the last meeting he said that WCBC were intending to serve a notice on the landowner. Cllr Jones said that the problem may be that of a stream overflowing and perhaps Streetscene could be made aware of this. Regarding the bridge barriers that had been damaged a WCBC officer was looking into this and an assessment of the damage would be made. Cllr Kelly said that all other drainage issues had been resolved.

### 4. ROADS

Cllr Rogers told members that the new road was near completion but was still not open. There were a few issues raised as a result of the safety audit. Brymbo Developments had not asked the contractors back to resolve these issues as yet. Cllr Rogers produced plans for the area around the new road which he had received the previous day from Brymbo Developments. WCBC has requested that the proposed school site be moved therefore ensuring the future of Tanyfron school. Cllr Rogers said the plans showed that not enough sufficient land had been set aside for commercial and employment use as promised. On the plan there were 4 additional areas for new housing developments. Area A was within settlement said Cllr Shone, therefore planning would very likely be recommended. Area B contained the promised employment land however there was now a proposal for housing. Cllr Rogers said that the employment land should be as was originally promised and not marketed for housing. Cllr Shone said that these proposed housing developments would bring at least another 1000 properties to the area. Cllr Rogers said that this would have a great impact on the villages' identity and that the older facilities would be eroded. He said that the only employment on the site at present would be that of the supermarket. Cllr Monti said that a promise of employment units had been made however looked very unlikely after seeing the proposed new plans. Cllr Rogers said that he had concerns regarding the new school on the site that it would not be large

enough to hold the children from the proposed new houses. Cllr Jones asked if the promises given at the beginning were made in black and white however Cllr Rogers said that Brymbo Developments were not under any no obligation to keep these. Cllr Rogers said that the plans were now in the public domain and being circulated around the village. Cllr Griffiths said that there should be concerns around Area C as there was no new drainage system in that area. The system had never been improved and he could foresee huge problems if the development did go ahead. Cllr Shone asked where the green Agenda was, as people were encouraged to travel less by car however this would not be possible as there would be no new employment in the area. Cllr Jones agreed that the plans did not support the Community. Cllr Monti said that when the original discussions took place the CC agreed to everything as promises were made regarding employment, schools and Health Centre. Cllr Monti said he was adamant that there should be business units on the site. Cllr Rogers said that there was a lot of local concern and Steve Bayley from WCBC had met with agents who had shown significant interest in the business units therefore there was a definite need for them. Cllr Kelly said that people need only look at the Five Crosses Industrial site in Minera to see that there was a need for smaller industrial units around the area. Cllr Rogers said that he would like the CC's full backing and support and he would write to Brymbo Development the next day. Cllr Monti proposed this action and was seconded by Cllr Woodfine-Jones. All were in favour. Cllr Shone said that funds held by the CC may be invested at some point in an industrial project in the area. This could therefore be an investment strategy for the CC.

Cllr Jones & Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that there was continued flooding at Nant y Frith. Although it was not an A or B road it was regularly used. Cllr Rogers said he would raise the issue with WCBC.

## **5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS**

Cllr Rogers thanked Cllr Monti for his assistance in resolving the issue of the damaged bus shelter in Brymbo. Arriva had not been courteous but had agreed to pay for the damage caused by one of their vehicles. Cllr Rogers said that a costing had been received from WCBC for the new shelter on Coed y Felin however it was above what the CC had agreed. After consulting with WCBC they agreed to pay the excess.

## **6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS**

Cllr Monti had obtained 2 quotes to cut down the trees on Bronwens Green. Both contractors had agreed that three trees needed to be cut down as they were dangerous. Another 3 were also in need of being reduced in height. Cllr Shone queried this and asked if these trees had already been cut by another contractor. Cllr Monti said that these 6 were different ones. Cllr Shone asked if all the trees could be cut down completely, however Cllr Jones said that trees could not be cut down as a precaution. The advice of the tree surgeon would need to be taken. Cllr Jones said that a risk assessment and method statement would need to be seen before the work was carried out. Cllr Jones proposed that the work be carried out. Cllr Woodfine-Jones seconded the proposal. A vote was taken. There were 7 in favour and one abstention. The motion was carried. As 2 quotes had been presented, a vote was needed on which company would carry out the work. The first quote was for £784.00 which included:

Sycamore (x3 stems) - fell to fence height. 2 sycamores (x4 stems) reduce height & crown by approx. 2 metres. Chip /stack onto adjacent ground. Clear all arising's from Cartrefle.

The second quote was for £1400.00. This included the removal of 3 sycamore trees to be cut to fence height. A 25% crown reduction on 3 x sycamore trees. All debris to be removed from site.

Cllr Jones said that the first quote was with a company that was VAT registered. The second had no VAT registered number on the quote. Cllr Jones proposed that BCC accept the first quote of £784.00. This was seconded by Cllr Mathews. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

Cllr Rogers told members that a burst water pipe had caused some damage to the play area in Bryn y Ffynnon. Martin Howarth of WCBC had been informed and a claim might need to be made if it was a fault of Dee Valley Water. New equipment was currently being installed; therefore an inspection would be made after this work had been completed.

## **7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING**

No further information.

## **8. WAR MEMORIAL/CHURCHYARDS**

A reply had been received from Dave Sharp of WCBC to the letter the Clerk had sent the previous month regarding Engedi Chapel. He said that he had been in contact with the resident who had spoken at the previous CC meeting and he would also be arranging a meeting with the owners of the site in order to improve the safety of persons in or around the property and that they will also try to improve security on the site whilst in discussions with them. He said that Stephen Griffiths (planning team) had also been to the site and he was going to write separately to the owners. The Clerk had previously circulated an e-mail she had received with details of a grant available from the Welsh Government regarding War Memorials. Cllr Shone and Cllr Mathews had shown an interest in this project. The Chairman suggested that the Councillors for each ward could discuss the content of the e-mail and suggest projects that may qualify. This was agreed by members.

## **9. PLANNING**

### **TWO-STOREY SIDE EXTENSION**

**BRYN HYFRYD MINERA ROAD FFRITH WREXHAM**

P/2015/0263-No observations.

### **ERECTION OF 2 NO.TWO-STOREY DWELLINGS WITH ASSOCIATED VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS**

**LAND EAST OF QUEENS ROAD BRYMBO**

P/2015/0268-No observations.

### **TWO STOREY SIDE EXTENSION**

**MOUNTAIN VIEW PENTRE SAESON BWLCHGWYN**

P/2015/0283-No observations.

EXTENSION TO EXISTING GARAGE AND ALTERATIONS TO FORM  
RESIDENTIAL ANNEX ACCOMODATION FOR WEST WINDS WEST WINDS CAE  
PEN TY ROAD CEFN Y BEDD WREXHAM  
P/2015/0310-No observations.

## **10. PENSION SEMINAR UPDATE**

Cllr Mathews had sent a report on the pension seminar that he had attended and the report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Presentation given by 75point3 a pension advice company from Abergele, available on

[www.75point3.com/auto](http://www.75point3.com/auto)

Eligibility of job Holder:-

Age – 22 to normal retirement age.

Salary –greater than £10,000 mandatory

£5,824 – £10,000 Optional for employee no cost to Employer

Greater than £42,385 salary not included.

Earnings are calculated on the 'Pay Reference Period' (PRF). The PRF is the normal pay cycle of the employee weekly, four weekly, monthly, etc.

An employee can be Part Time, Full time, Contractor, Zero Hours, Agency, i.e. any employee who is paid without giving in an invoice for payment or not supplied with uniform.

All large companies are already in the scheme small companies/employers will be given a Staging Date for implementing the scheme.

Paperwork for all eligible employees and employees wishing to join even though not mandatory must be sent in within three months of the Staging Date.

I do not believe that Brymbo Community Council fall within any of these requirements, but we have to make sure that if we do employ anyone that would fall within the criteria we MUST give all details to the applicant, we cannot employ someone just because they do not wish to join the scheme. Either of these points would be against the employments law and we could be taken to the tribunal to answer the case.

All the committee are equally responsible to abide by the new scheme rules, as this is the case I would strongly advice ALL members to go to the Web Page at the top of the page and read the details.

### Comments on the Seminar.

This first part of the seminar by 75point3 was informative on the scheme this took about 45-50 minutes at which time a new speaker for Peninsular took over, even though the first speaker had not finished, this was a sales pitch on company law from Peninsular, with only a couple of side-line comment on Work Place Pensions. The second speaker took the remainder of the seminar time.

## **11. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2014/2015**

The Clerk had circulated a copy of the financial report for the year 2014/2015 prior to the meeting. A copy of the Annual return was given to each member. JDH Business services had noted the following:

The fidelity cover at £150000.00 did not cover the maximum projected balance at 31/03/2015. This was as a result of the funds from Cambrian House being transferred into the account at the beginning of March. The Clerk had increased the cover which was now adequate.

The fixed asset balance included Cambrian House which had been sold at the beginning of March 2015. The Clerk had contacted the insurance company to remove it from the policy after notification of the completed sale and had updated the Annual Return.

An adjustment had been made to receipts in the cash book for an unrepresented cheque. JDH recommended that unrepresented cheques should be deducted from payments. This was noted. An advice on changes to the annual return for 2015/2016 included that a thematic review each year. From 2015/2016 this would include examining councils' arrangements for budget setting and monitoring. This was noted by the Clerk. There was also a guidance note from the Internal Auditor to ensure that the CC met the requirements of the pension regulator with respect to auto enrolment or the CC may face fines. All recommendations from 2014/2015 had been complied with. Cllr Monti proposed that the Annual return be accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Mathews. All were in favour.

## **12. ANNUAL INSURANCE**

The annual insurance was due on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015.

Came & Co. had provided 3 quotes for the Council to consider.

1. Aviva. The quote was £3187.88 inclusive of 6% insurance premium tax.
2. Ecclestial. This quote was £3457.27 inclusive of 6% insurance tax.
3. Hiscox. This quote was for £3347.27 inclusive of 6% insurance tax.

All three quotes were for a like for like policy. Came & Company recommended that the CC accepted the quote from Aviva. Members agreed to accept the recommendation.

## **13. CORRESPONDENCE**

LETTER OF THANKS FROM AUTUMN SHOW AND ALL SAINTS CHURCH  
REVISED GUIDANCE ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT  
GRANT FOR WAR MEMORIALS  
LETTER OF THANKS ST MARY'S CHURCH  
NIGHTINGALE NEWS  
ALD ROBERTS AM SURGERIES

## **14. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

2804	N GRIFFITHS BRONWENS GREEN	192.00
2805	JDH BUSINESS SERVICES INTERNAL AUDIT	176.40
2806	SCOTTISH POWER TANYFRON MUGA	175.17
2807	FAMILY FRIENDS DONATION	50.00
2808	HOMESTART DONATION	50.00
2809	BRYMBO & DISTRICT SHOW DONATION	100.00
2810	FRIENDS OF GRESFORD COLLIERY DOANTION	100.00
2811	ALL SAINTS CHURCH GRANT FOR REFURBISHMENT	500.00
2812	ALL SAINTS CHURCH GRANT FOR GRASSCUTTING	300.00
2813	T CROFTS BWLCHGWYN WAR MEMORIAL	125.00
2814	BTRT HIRE OF ROOM MARCH	28.00

2815 CORONA ENERGY CAMBRIAN HOUSE	142.65
2816 B M HUGHES SALARY	*
2817 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1025.69
2818 JONES LIGHTING MAINTENANCE	1456.20
2819 B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	12.60

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

Signed ..... Chairman