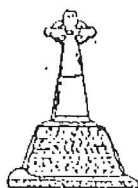


# BRYMBO



## 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 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2013 AT BWLCHGWYN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present –Cllr Monti(Chairman)

Brymbo Ward- Councillors J Clarke, Z Clarke, P Rogers, S Rawlinson, and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors T Birch and D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors M Jones and S Tilston.

County Borough Councillor D Kelly.

Apologies- Councillors, T Crofts, D Davies, M Reston and B Woodfine-Jones.

Police PCSO Daniel Jones

The minutes of the meeting of May 14<sup>th</sup> 2013 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Cllr Rawlinson signed the declaration of acceptance of office and was given a copy of the members code of conduct and the standing orders.

## 2. POLICING

### Brymbo

Crime	Incidents
ASB Personal	x 3 (1 related to assault, 1 neighbour dispute, 1 domestic related)
ASB Nuisance	X 3 (1 x loud music, 1 x youths)
ASB Environment	0
Burglary Dwellings	x 1 (Items taken – on-going)
B.O.T.D.'s	x 1 (Metal theft on new build)
Theft Other	x 2 ( Theft of a Wheelie Bin, theft of paving slabs – undetected/on-going)
Assault s.47	x 3 (1 x charged, 2 x detected on going)
Common Assault	X 1 (1 x person charged)
Criminal Damage	x 1 (1 x window smashed – on-going)

### Bwlchgwyn

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<b>Crime</b>	<b>Incidents</b>
<b>ASB Personal</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ASB Nuisance</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ASB Environment</b>	<b>x 1 (vehicle related)</b>
<b>BOTD</b>	<b>x 2 (Garage walk in – items taken on going)</b>
<b>UTMV</b>	<b>x 1 (vehicle taken unauthorised – later returned)</b>

### **Tanyfron**

<b>Crime</b>	<b>Incidents</b>
<b>ASB Personal</b>	<b>x 1 (domestic related)</b>
<b>ASB Nuisance</b>	<b>x 3 (Youth related)</b>
<b>Theft from vehicle</b>	<b>x 1 (bicycle taken from vehicle, on-going)</b>
<b>Theft Other</b>	<b>x 1 (2 x Harris fence panels taken - undetected)</b>
<b>Criminal Damage</b>	<b>x 1 (Damage to vehicle - undetected )</b>

The Chairman thanked PCSO Jones for attending.

### **3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Cllr Rogers said that the report on the future of the Community Centres was due the next day. He said that the Centres in New Broughton and Lodge were under threat. At present there were no plans to close Brymbo or Tanyfron Centres. Cllr Kelly said that the funding was not available to keep all Centres open, and the authority was looking to retain flagship ones. He said that the report would be challenged vigorously. Cllr Rogers asked what members thought about the proposed closure of the Lodge as BCC contributed annually towards its upkeep. Cllr Birch asked why it had been built in the first place as it was not needed. Cllr Z Clarke asked if public consultation had taken place, and Cllr Rogers said that there had of a sort. Cllr Kelly said that the report said that Tanyfron CC had a maintenance backlog of approx. £55000.00. Members asked how up to date this information was, as Tanyfron CC had recently been upgraded. Cllr Shone said that if there were anomalies in the report these should be reported and the report should be updated correctly. Cllr Rogers said that traffic calming had now been completed outside Brymbo School. Cllr Monti said that he would like to recognise all the hard work Brian Stapley had put in to bring this to fruition.

Cllr Rogers said that complaints had been received about contractors swearing on site of the Tanyfron Housing Renewal scheme and this had now been resolved by WCBC.

Cllr Rogers said that the Youth Service had now vacated the school premises. New facilities for Flying Start were being created. Under the proposals approx. 300 new nursery places were to be created. This would be all grant funded. Cllr Kelly said that he had been involved with 2 housing issues where tenants had been given keys to Council properties which were not fit for purpose. Cllr Rogers said that he would be arranging a sub-committee meeting with Reverend Carter during the coming month.

*K. Monti*

#### **4. CAMBRIAN HOUSE**

No meeting of the sub-committee had been arranged. Cllr Monti said he was meeting with Bowen Son & Watson on Friday to take photographs prior to the building being advertised for letting. The EPC had been sent to them. He asked if anyone from the sub-committee would like to turn up on that Friday to assist him. Cllr Z Clarke said she would, however this would depend on work commitments. Cllr Kelly commented on the cost of keeping the building and Cllr Shone said that the CC had agreed that Bowen Son & Watson would try to let the building and a timescale of 6 months had been agreed. This would be further discussed when that timescale had elapsed.

#### **5. ROADS**

Issues had arisen with regards to visibility at the junction of the Moors public house. Signs had been placed which obstructed the vision at the junction. The landlord had removed them when asked.

With regard to the speed limit review which had been placed in the local paper, the 50m.p.h on the Old Road needed to be reduced. It would be 40m.p.h. reducing to 30m.p.h.in places. At the junction near the King's head, there was a possibility that the it may be reduced to 20m.p.h. similarly to the one on the hill in Coedpoeth where the Welsh Medium School was situated. WCBC were working to improve signage and possibly would place writing on the road.

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

No further information.

#### **7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS**

No further information.

#### **8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING**

The Clerk gave each member a copy of the minutes of the meeting held by the CC's to open tenders. There was also a copy of the maintenance contract from Jones lighting who had won the tender. The Clerk gave members a copy of the contract that had been held with NWP Power. Members were asked if they would join all the other CC's or if they preferred to go out to tender alone. Cllr Shone raised concerns about the increase in price. The Clerk said that this was the cheapest quote and that the lighting budget had been precept for £11000.00 which was slightly under this figure. Cllr Birch raised concerns that if the CC turned down this proposal to join the other CC's it would leave the CC in a position where it would begin the process from scratch and a higher price may be quoted as the CC would therefore be alone in tendering for a contract. Cllr Birch proposed and Cllr J Clarke seconded that BCC accept the invitation to join the other CC in the Borough in appointing Jones Lighting Ltd to maintain the lights. A vote was taken. 10 votes were in favour and none against, the motion was therefore carried.

With regard to the energy supply the Clerk told members again that there was still no contract and this was causing an increase in the monthly bill. It was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Jones would look into contacting energy suppliers to see if they could resolve the situation.



## **9. WAR MEMORIAL**

No further information.

## **10. PLANNING**

AMENDMENT TO PLANNING PERMISSION REF P/2012/0864 FOR TWO STOREY EXTENSION: SUBSTITUTION OF ROOFLIGHT SERVING EN-SUITE FOR DORMER WINDOW  
THE BARN PENTRE SAESON FARM BRYMBO ROAD BWLCHGWYN  
P/2013/0332-No observations.

RELOCATION OF EXISTING FENCE  
26A CHARLES STREET BRYMBO  
P/2013/0334-No observations.

INSTALLATION OF SKATE PARK AREA  
PLAYING FIELDS CHESHIRE VIEW BRYMBO  
P/2013/0369-No observations.

## **11. STREETSCENE**

Paul Fairclough and Geraint Smith attended on behalf of WCBC and Streetscene.

Mr Fairclough opened by saying that an allocation of £500,000.00 had been set aside for road re-surfacing, however this was for the whole of the Wrexham area. Funds had been reduced this year and would be determined by road conditions. WCBC would be publishing a list of capital improvement schemes.

Cllr Rogers said that criticism had been received with regard to the gritting during the bad weather earlier in the year, and could Mr Fairclough give the CC any feedback. Mr Fairclough said that the County Borough had increased its stock levels of salt before the winter to 8000 tons, however the salt usage had been 11000 tons. WCBC policy, which consisted of nearly 40% of roads, was to pre-salt all priority 1 routes in the County. There was a determined criteria. The authority had a winter maintenance budget of £600,000 and an emergency budget of £300,000. The authority had spent approx. 1 million during the severe weather. They had a detailed weather report which was helpful, however the unpredicted prolonged weather had been challenging. Cllr J Clarke asked if there was any agreement with local farmers, however Mr Fairclough said this was difficult as there were issues with insurance and liability. He said that further provision would be made however for next year. Cllr Rogers raised the issue of grass cutting saying that it was not as good as it had been previously. Mr Fairclough said that it was being monitored.

Cllr Jones asked whether there was a new policy with regard to dealing with roads that had been improved in patches as in Bwlchgwyn the road had been completed however lines had only been placed on the parts that had been improved. Mr Fairclough said he was not aware of that happening and he would certainly look into it as this was not normal policy.



The Chairman thanked Mr Fairclough and Mr Smith for taking the time to attend and said it had been a very worthwhile exercise. They said that they would attend again if members wished and would like to attend a meeting before next winter to advise members of the winter policy.

## **12. BRYMBO SKATEPARK**

Cllr Rogers opened by saying that WCBC had submitted a planning application for the park. Brymbo Play Association had exceeded over £5000.00 through fundraising. An application had been received for a donation and also that BCC would fund the maintenance of the project on an annual basis. Cllr Shone said that the CC would need to steer clear from financing the repair costs of the project as well as the maintenance costs. The CC would not insure the Skatepark as it would not be their asset. Cllr Kelly said that looking at the planning application the description seemed incorrect as it stated that the area had previously been used as a football pitch. As he understood it the area was still being used by local sides. Cllr Rogers said that the pitch that was currently being used, was to be rotated in order that it fitted in with the Skatepark. The local sided would still be able to play there. He said that the maintenance costs would be the same as those of the MUGA's in Argoed and Tanyfron. Cllr Monti said that the Association had worked very hard in raising funds and the project should be supported. He said that this would be a facility that would last 50 years. Cllr Rogers said that this would be the first Skate Park of its kind in Wrexham. Cllr Z Clarke said that it was difficult to make a decision on future annual funding when no costs were known. Cllr Rogers said that the maintenance costs would be the same as those of the 2 MUGAS which the CC maintained at present. Cllr Jones said that the cost would need to be known before the CC could make a decision as the CC was answerable to the resident of the three communities. Cllr Rogers said that WCBC could not give a specific cost as it was not known. Cllr Birch said he agreed with Cllr Z Clarke and Cllr Jones about needing more financial information. Cllr Rogers said that his concern was that if the decision on maintenance was delayed this could impact on future grant funding. Cllr Z Clarke said that concerns should be made to WCBC about the costs. Cllr Jones said that the CC had to document its spending and figures needed to be made available for future records. The CC had to be diligent where public funds were being spent. Cllr Jones proposed that the CC requested costing's for the Skatepark and if WCBC could not provide these then the CC could look to Conway Borough Council who already maintained one. Cllr Jones proposed that the CC support in principle the application subject to the local authority providing costing's that were agreeable to the CC. Cllr Rogers seconded this. All were in favour. Cllr Shone suggested that the donation request be dealt with when the costing's were being discussed. Members were in agreement.

## **13. DONATIONS**

No donation request had been submitted other than the Skatepark.

## **14. CORRESPONDENCE**

WREXHAM IN BLOOM BEST COMMUNITY PROJECT AWARD



NHS WALES APPLICATION FOR INCLUSION IN A PHARMACEUTICAL LIST  
 OF DIFFERENT SERVICES OR PREMISES BOOTS ( PLAS COCH)  
 RURAL SERVICES SURVEY 2013  
 NOTICE OF ONE VOICE WALES CONFERENCE AND AGM  
 WCBC-ONLINE SURVEY 'YOU CHOOSE'  
 KEN SKATES- CLWYD SOUTH LOGO COMPETITION  
 WCBC-WEBSITES FOR TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS  
 MAYOR'S CIVIC VISIT TO CHURCH 7//7/2013  
 MAINTENANCE ANNUAL REPORT ARGOED & TANYFRON MUGA  
 AVOW-PLAY DEPARTMENT MANAGER

**15. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

2508	B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	15.50
2509	CORONA ENERGY CAMBRIAN HOUSE	112.40
2510	TONY CROFTS BWLCHGWYN WAR MEMORIAL	125.00
2511	BTRT HIRE OF ROOM 14/05	20.00
2512	SENTRY SECURITY SERVICES CAMBRIAN HOUSE	492.00
2513	SHERRATT LANDSCAPING BRONWENS GREEN	126.00
2514	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1057.27
2515	CAME AND COMPANY ANNUAL INSURANCE PREMIUM	4792.85
2516	WCBC MUGA TANYFRON MAINTENANCE	41.50
2517	CLLR K MONTI CHAIRMANS ALLOWANCE	600.00
2518	CLLR PAUL ROGERS EXPENSES	50.00
2519	CLLR BRUCE WOODFINE-JONES EXPENSES	50.00
2520	CLLR DEREK GRIFFITHS EXPENSES	50.00
2521	CLLR KEN MONTI EXPENSES	50.00
2522	CLLR STEVE TILSTON EXPENSES	50.00
2523	CLLR TONY BIRCH EXPENSES	50.00
2524	B M HUGHES SALARY	552.61
2525	INLAND REVENUE	48.23

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

Signed ..... *K Monti Ben* ..... Chairman

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