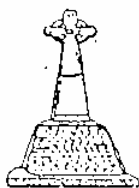


BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Bethan M Hughes Clerk and Financial Officer

15 Chestnut Avenue Wrexham LL12 7HS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 2nd DECEMBER 2020 AT BRYMBO SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

Present (Chairman) Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors D Ashworth, K Mathews, L Prince, S Rawlinson and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillor D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors J Bassford-Barton and David Marsh.

Apologies- Councillor J Phelen.

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday September 8th 2020 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST-None

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

The Chairman apologised to members for the short notice in having to bring forward the meeting, however urgent business needed to be discussed and BTRT were not able to accommodate meetings due to Covid-19. The only venue available was the Sports and Social Club which would be closing on Friday due to Welsh Government lockdown rules. The Chairman told members that the Clerk had received the resignation of both Sue Monti and Lynda Steele. The vacancies would be put on the Agenda for a future meeting. The Chairman told members that services were slowly opening up at WCBC. Many staff had been seconded to track and trace. The Environment department was the busiest. The Chairman said that there was a revised planning application for the steelworks site which included 300 new homes. This would go before the planning committee in the New Year. Cllr Shone asked where the CC were on the appeal of the original decision which included Ty Cerrig. He said observations had been made. He said that with the new application the CC needed to be very careful as this development would impact on the daily lives of residents. The Chairman said that any observations could be made on behalf of the CC. He said that looking at the revised plan of 300 houses, school, retail and health care facility and a restaurant/pub he had received positive feedback from residents. He said that they wanted to see this development go ahead. Cllr Shone said that the

school should have been built years ago. The Chairman said that the school would have places for 315 children and additional places for Nursery. The school hall and canteen would hold up to 420 pupils. Cllr Shone said that with the population increase the new school would potentially be beyond capacity and these places were insufficient. This would also cause a burden on traffic in the village. Cllr Shone said he could not support the application. He believed there was a lack of support for the proposal. Cllr Ashworth said that residents wanted things to progress. Cllr Rawlinson agreed with her. The Chairman asked members if the CC as a majority should support the application. Cllr Griffiths said that he supported Cllr Shone's view. Cllr Ashworth said that as members they represented the community and should therefore support them. Cllr Mathews proposed to support the latest application with 300 houses etc. This was seconded by Cllr Prince. Cllr Shone tabled an amendment that the CC support the need for improvements to the road infrastructure before the application could proceed. Cllr Prince said that the CC needed to support this application to protect the future generations and encourage them to grow and stay in the village. Cllr Griffiths seconded Cllr Shone's amendment. A vote was taken on the amendment. There were 4 in favour and 5 against. A vote was taken for Cllr Mathews proposal to support the application. A vote was taken. There were 5 in favour and 4 against. The motion to support the application was carried. Then Chairman said that he and other Councillors had been approached about Christmas Light in the villages. This proposal was a long and expensive one therefore it was too late to do anything by Christmas. He did ask members how they would feel about funding (from the villages' environmental fund) Christmas trees to be placed in the 3 villages. These could be decorated by the children of the school or nurseries as had been done in other villages. Cllr Shone said that he believed it was too short notice to do this. The Chairman said that he could get the trees by the end of the week. A vote was taken. 8 were in favour with 1 abstention.

4. ROADS

The Chairman told members that Coed y Felin Road had been dug up however work could not be completed as the engineers were not permitted to work on steel pipes. This would cause a knock on effect with re-surfacing the road. The drain was also going to be diverted as there had been flooding issues. Cllr Shone said that there had always been issues with the drainage on Coed y Felin road and that the drains needed to be replaced. There were also numerous potholes that needed fixing. Cllr Griffiths asked about the green signs for Tanyfron. The Chairman said that these were not classed as essential work during the pandemic therefore was no further news to report.

5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr Griffiths asked about the solar light that had not been placed yet in Tanyfron. The Chairman said that there had been problems with Jones Lighting over the last few months. Also all non-essential work had stopped in March due to Covid-19. The

Chairman said that there was a need for a few extra Solar lights therefore he would obtain quotes.

8. WAR MEMORIAL

No further information.

9. PLANNING

SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION 1 STEAM CLOSE BRYMBO WREXHAM
P/2020/0728

FRONT AND REAR EXTENSIONS GRASMERE RUTHIN ROAD BWLCHGWYN
WREXHAM
P2020/0641

OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION FOR UP TO 300 DWELLINGS (CLASS C3 USE), A PRIMARY SCHOOL (2-FORM ENTRY), SMALL DISTRICT CENTRE COMPRISING UP TO 1,395 SQ.M OF CLASS A1 RETAIL, UP TO 372 SQ.M OF CLASS A3 RESTAURANT / PUBLIC HOUSE, UP TO 465 SQ.M OF CLASS D1 USE, MULTI-FUNCTIONAL GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING INFORMAL OPEN SPACE, SURFACE WATER ATTENUATION, VEHICLE ACCESSES, CAR PARKING, ENGINEERING WORKS, PUBLIC FOOTPATHS AND HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING, UNDERGROUND SERVICES, AND ALL ANCILLARY AND ENABLING WORKS, WITH ALL MATTERS RESERVED EXCEPT FOR VEHICULAR ACCESS FROM BRYMBO ROAD
FORMER SITE OF BRYMBO STEELWORKS BRYMBO WREXHAM
P2020/0649

VARIATION OF CONDITION 1 (COMMENCEMENT DATE) AND CONDITION 2 (LAYOUT AND APPEARANCE) OF PERMISSION P/2019/0090 LAND OFF QUEENS ROAD
BRYMBO WREXHAM
P/2020/0762

OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION FOR UP TO 450 DWELLINGS (CLASS C3 USE), PROVISION OF A PRIMARY SCHOOL (2-FORM ENTRY), SMALL DISTRICT CENTRE COMPRISING UP TO 1,395 SQ.M OF CLASS A1 RETAIL, UP TO 372 SQ.M OF CLASS A3 RESTAURANT / PUBLIC HOUSE, UP TO 465 SQ.M OF CLASS D1 USE, MULTI-FUNCTIONAL GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS AND INFORMAL OPEN SPACE, SURFACE WATER ATTENUATION, VEHICLE ACCESSES, CAR PARKING, ENGINEERING WORKS, PUBLIC FOOTPATHS AND HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING, UNDERGROUND SERVICES, AND ALL ANCILLARY AND ENABLING WORKS, WITH ALL MATTERS RESERVED EXCEPT FOR VEHICULAR ACCESS FROM BRYMBO ROAD
P 2019 0546

10. PRECEPT AND QUARTERLY ACCOUNTS. (SEPTEMBER)The Clerk gave out copies of the last quarterly income and expenditure The Clerk and Chair both signed the bank reconciliation for the second quarter of 2020.

The Clerk told members that the tax base had decreased from 1969 to 1960. Currently ratepayers were paying £51.22 with the annual precept for 2020/2021 being £100852.18. The Clerk went through the budget and accounts with members. The only budget that needed to be increased was the St. Mary's Churchyard from £1000.00 to £2000.00. This would cover the grass cutting and the maintenance of the Churchyard. The Clerk told members that the internal and external auditors had advised that the precept should not be increased. She said that if the tax base had decreased to 1960 and each household paid £51.22 as in the previous year then this would bring the precept to £100391.20. She reminded members that there would be significant large projects in the villages in the next year. Capital funds would still be needed to improve Bronwens Green. The Bwlchgwyn project would also be underway and the monies had been ring-fenced. The balances held were approx. £260,000.00 on all accounts therefore an increase to cover the £1000.00 was well within the means of the CC's budget. The Clerk reminded members that the youth project and also the play provision were being paid from the Capital account however with the significant savings on the lighting budget these would now come from the precept. Councillors agreed that their focus and priority for the next twelve months should be on spending and delivering in the villages. Cllr Prince proposed that the ratepayers pay £51.22 as funds would be needed on delivering projects. Cllr Ashworth, seconded the proposal. A vote was taken. All were in favour. This would therefore generate £100391.20. The Clerk would write to WCBC and say that a precept of £100391.20 would be requested.

11. TRAFFIC CONCERNS AT COED Y FELIN ROAD

The Clerk had received an e-mail from a resident on Coed y Felin road about the increase of traffic. They said that they had raised their concerns with Cllr Shone who said he would raise the matter at the next meeting. They requested traffic calming measures and a one way traffic system to include Coed y Felin Road, Brymbo High Street and Brymbo Park. Cllr Shone asked if a one way system could be supported by the CC. Cllr Mathews said that this could cause problems with bus services. The Chairman had spoken to Darren Green of WCBC whose professional opinion was that they could not divert traffic from a B road to a lesser road. He said he could get a second opinion if needed. He suggested that a site meeting take place to review this. Cllr Shone asked to be told of the time and date of the site meeting.

12. DELEGATED POWERS

The Chairman said that as a new lockdown may be in place in January the CC needed to be prepared. He said that decisions might have to be made on the day to day business, and health and safety issues. Cllr Shone asked why members could not meet via Zoom. The Chairman said that all members would need to have access to meetings and a few had raised concerns that they would not be happy with this. Some members had already mentioned in the meeting that internet connections could be a problem. The Chairman said that all delegated powers should be invested in the Clerk. The Clerk would circulate any issues to members who would then reply. Any action would be agreed between the Clerk, Chairman and Vice Chair if the situation arose.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

NIGHTINGALE HOUSE

RESIGNATION OF LYNDA STEELE AND SUE MONTI

14. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

3588	B HUGHES	REFUND OF POSTAGES	5.53
3589	JONES LIGHTING	MAINTENANCE	355.26
3590	VRON G/ SERVICES	B/G W/M	290.00
3591	SHERRATTS	BRONWENS GREEN	327.70
3592	CLLR ASHWORTH	ANNUAL ALLOWANCE	150.00
3593	CLLR PRINCE	ANNUAL ALLOWANCE	150.00
3594	HAFREN DYFRDWY	BRONWENS GREEN	109.64
3595	SCOTTISH POWER	ENERGY	1139.69
3596	B HUGHES	SALARY	*
3597	RBL	5 X WREATHS	94.00
3598	VRON GARD/SERV	B/G W/M & BRON GREEN	465.27
3600	SCOTTISH POWER	ENERGY	1102.92
3601	TIDYWEBSITES	WEBSITE	498.00
3602	B HUGHES	SALARY	*
3603	WIX.COM	WEBSITE DOMAIN	86.40
3604	EASILY.COM	WEBSITE REGISTRATION	18.00
3605	JONES LIGHTING	MAINTENANCE	89.71
3606	JP ENGRAVING LTD	BRYMBO NOTICEBOARDS	570.00
3607	SHERRATT	BRONWENS GREEN	327.70
3608	SCOTTISH POWER	BRONWENS GREEN	37.13
3609	B HUGHES	REFUND OF POSTAGES	15.01
3610	SLCC	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	161.00
3611	VRON GARDEN SERVICE	B/G WAR MEMORIAL	145.27
3612	BVHA	RELACEMENT FOR LOST CHEQUE	120.00
3613	SHERRATTS	PITCH BARRIERS	8138.40
3614	INSTANPRINT	BOUND BOOKS	325.00
3615	CURRYS	MATERIALS BOUND BOOKS	244.92
3616	SCOTTISH POWER	ENERGY	1139.69
3617	B HUGHES	REFUND OF POSTAGES	3.16
3618	CMR ENGINEERING	DUGOUTS B GREEN	6888.00
3619	SHERRATT	BRONWENS GREEN	327.70
3620	VRON GAR/SE	B/G WAR MEMOIAL	145.27
3621	JONES LIGHTING	MAINTENANCE	37.45
3622	AVOW	PAYROLL	34.50
3624	B HUGHES	SALARY	*
3625	INLAND REVENUE	TAX/NI	1526.59
D/D	SALIX LOAN	REPAYMENT	6880.15

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

Signed Chairman

