# **BRYMBO**



# CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2011 AT TANYFRON COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Present -Cllr K Ashton (Chairman)

Brymbo Ward- Councillors N Davies, K Monti, P Rogers, and M Shone, A Stapley, B Stapley and H Williams.

Bwlchgwyn Ward-Councillors A Roberts and B Woodfine-Jones

Tanyfron Ward Councillors- S Wynne

County Borough Councillor D Kelly.

Apologies Councillors- T Birch and D Griffiths

1. The minutes of the meeting of June 12<sup>th</sup> 2011 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 2. POLICING

Brymbo-1 Burg dwelling, 1 Criminal Damage, 2 Rowdy/ Nuisance juveniles, 8 Rowdy/ nuisance other and 2 RTC's

Tanyfron -6 Rowdy/nuisance, 5 Rowdy/Nuisance other and 1 RTC.

Bwlchgwyn-2 BOTD, 1 Theft and handling and 1 Criminal Damage.

A person had been charged for theft.

PCSO Stallard said that June had been much quieter than May and that the problems at Tanyfron Youth Club had quietened down.

Cllr B Stapley raised concerns about a youth who had been driving recklessly around the village and PCSO Stallard said she would chase that up.

## 3. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

Cllr Davies said that the sub-committee had met the previous month. A number of issues had been discussed. Firstly concerns were raised that the alarm had not been working properly. Cllr Rogers said that he had contacted the alarm company who advised him that the alarm had not been set since 16<sup>th</sup> March 2011.He also said that he had contacted WCBC with regards to outstanding work which needed to be looked at. Ruth Jones had said that the work to the rear of the building had not been done, however she disputed that the work at the laboratory had not been finished. Cllr Rogers said that a site meeting was needed to establish exactly what work was outstanding and what work had been finished to an acceptable standard. Cllr Shone raised

concerns that this work should have been completed a long time ago. Cllr Davies said that with the burst pipe damage last winter there was mould on the walls and this needed a coat of paint. It was agreed that a quote would be needed and would be obtained as there were a few decorating business in the village who could carry out the work. There was also a light fitting that needed fixing. The grass cutting had been done and Cllr Monti gave an invoice to the Clerk. Cllr Rogers said that he had visited the launderette in the workshop the previous Friday. He had inspected the roof and did not believe that there was a leak but a build up of condensation as there was no extractor fan in the building. Cllr Rogers said he would check the planning permission as he thought this may have been a stipulation. The Clerk said she needed room numbers for separate billing addresses in order to progress further with the rates review

#### 4. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Rogers said that speeding traffic on Blast Road had caused concerns. The Highway Dept at WCBC would now begin a trial project with flashing signs. This would not be permanent and would therefore enable Officers to move around. The street light on High Street had been placed on land owned by Brymbo Developments, and unfortunately the trees had grown around it. As BCC was responsible they would need to cut the trees back. Cllr Davies said that he would take a look and proposed that if it was safely possible he would cut the trees back. This was seconded by Cllr Woodfine-Jones. Cllr Davies said he would liaise with Cllr Rogers. Cllr Rogers said that residents of Dyke Street had requested a new street light. The residents of Tanyfron had suggested that BCC fund a Colliery Wheel to be placed in the Community. WCBC did have some and Cllr Rogers asked whether this should be pursued. He said that BCC would need to fund the installation and maintenance of it. Members suggested that perhaps the Heritage Group and Tanyfron residents would like to contribute. It was decided to ask them and bring this matter up at a future meeting. Cllr Rogers said that some residents had complained that the metal kissing gate at Mount Zion was noisy. Members suggested putting buffers on it.

Cllr Kelly asked if there were any outstanding issues between BCC and NWP power with the lighting contract. He was told that there were none and all lighting reps and the Clerk were happy with the service provided. He said that the Luncheon Club at Bwlchgwyn had a list of volunteers, and the only stumbling block at present was with the food preparation at the school as the kitchen at the Community Centre was not up to standard. Cllr Ashton said that AVOW had funding available for such projects. Cllr Rogers said that the start up grants were substantial. Cllr B Stapley offered assistance as he had coordinated the Brymbo Luncheon Club and he offered the mini bus to assist with transport. Cllr Roberts said that enough volunteers had been sought now to push the project even further ahead and a grant was to be applied for from WCBC. Cllr Kelly said that investment was being made on Council properties in the area that had not had any work done to them. Cllr Kelly said that a long standing issue at Bwlchgwyn quarry was causing concern. There had been complaints of illegal use of motorbikes and anti-social behaviour there which resulted in the owner blocking off all public access. Residents were concerned as they had always been allowed access to this land. This was causing

animosity. The quarry had previously been used for motor sport and this had been continuous. The matter was to be discussed at the next residents meeting and they would be asking for witness statements as to when the quarry was used and when the motor sport had ceased. Cllr Kelly would update BCC after this.

#### 5. ROADS

No further information.

#### 6. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

Cllr Rogers said that the bus shelter that BCC had agreed to pay for had not yet arrived at the depot. He said that there had been timetable changes as the routes previously taken by Pats Coaches had now been taken over by GHA.

#### 7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Cllr Rogers said that at present there wasn't a bench at Argoed playing field. He proposed that one be bought form the Environmental Fund. This was seconded by Cllr Monti and agreed.

### 8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

No further information.

#### 9. WAR MEMORIALS

No further information.

#### 10. CHURCHYARDS

A Meeting was to be held at Brymbo Enterprise Centre on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2011 for a consultation with residents on improvements at St John's Church.

#### 11 PLANNING

CHANGE OF USE AND REPROFILING OF LAND TO FORM COMMUNITY SPACE FOR RECREATION AND AMENITY AREA OF LAND BELOW MILLER ROAD BRYMBO P/2011/0040- No observations.

#### 12. ACCOUNTS FOR AUDIT

The Clerk told members that the Internal Audit report had been returned by JDH Business Services. 3 Issues had been raised;

The Internal Audit could not find evidence that the Council had reviewed the Risk Assessment for the year, however the Clerk reported back to say that it was approved and minuted on 13/04/2010 under minute reference 14. Fixed assets was shown as NIL on the Annual Return-the Clerk amended it to £798628. Also the asset register did not give detailed information for a number of assets and a total figure had been entered in the asset register. The Clerk had queried this with the insurance company who said that this should be sufficient; however the Clerk said that she would contact the Internal Audit and request further information.

The Council did not appear to have an investment strategy in place. The Clerk would write to the Internal Auditor to explain that monies held in reserve were

APPLICATION FOR NHS DISPENSING CONTRACT BOOTS PLAS COCH APPLICATION FOR NHS DISPENSING CONTRACT BRADLEY/GWERSYLLT SOVEREIGN PRODUCTS POST OFFICE AVOW-BIG LOTTERY COMMUNITY VOICE

Cllr Monti asked whether correspondence had been received from Brymbo Sports Assoc. The Clerk said she had received a letter that morning, however it could not be discussed at it was not on the Agenda for that evening. Members of the public who were in attendance at the meeting voiced strongly their concerns about future financing of the maintenance at Bronwen's Green. The Clerk read out the minutes of the meeting in April where the subcommittee had reported back to full Council. It had been agreed to grant £1500.00 that month and if any further funds were needed, a donation could be applied for. The Clerk said that donations could not be discussed until September under the standing orders. Cllr Rogers, Cllr Shone, Cllr Williams and Cllr Monti declared an interest. Cllr Shone and Cllr Rogers left the room. The keys to the port cabin on Bronwen's Green were handed back to the Clerk and she was told that the Sports Assoc no longer wanted to be responsible for it.

#### 17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2190 TONY CROFTS BWLCHGWYN WAR MEMORIAL	125.00
2191 NWP POWER MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	592.16
2192 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	570.71
2193 BTRT HIRE OF ROOM 10/5	20.00
2194 WCBC RATES CAM HSE JULY	630.00
2195 WCBC RATES CAM HSE AUGUST	630.00
2196 B M HUGHES RE-IMBURSMENT BAR CHAIN OF OFFICE	12.50
2197 DOVEYS OFFICE SUPPLIES STATIONERY	171.29
2198 ENCORE OFFICE SYSTEM MAINT PHOTOCOPIER	39.60
2199 T BITCH TRAIN TICKETS GARDEN PARTY	85.00
2200 T BIRCH ACCOMODATION GARDEN PARTY	264.00
2201 BRYMBO SHOW DONATION	100.00
2202 CRUSE BEREAVEMENT DONATION	100.00
2203 ST MARY'S CHURCH DONATION	1050.00
2204 B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	21.03
2205 B M HUGHES SALARY JULY	424.32
2206 B M HUGHES SALARY AUGUST	424.32
2207 INLAND REVENUE JULY	105.21
2208 INLAND REVENUE AUGUST	105.21
2209 JDH BUSINESS INTERNAL AUDIT	127.50

The meeting closed at 20.44 P.M.

Signed Kenneth Johton Chairman