BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH JANUARY 2013 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE CENTRE Present –Cllr B Woodfine-Jones (Chairman)

Brymbo Ward- Councillors J Clarke, Z Clarke, K Monti, M Reston, P Rogers, and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillor D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors M Jones and S Tilston.

County Borough Councillor D Kelly.

Apologies- Councillors T Birch, T Crofts and D Davies.

Police PCSO M Simister.

The minutes of the meeting of 11th December 2012 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Cllr Griffiths had been asked by Cllr Birch to say that under the planning heading of the previous meeting, the vote cast was 2 against and not 1.

The Chairman wished everyone a Happy New Year.

2. POLICING

Bwlchgwyn

Crime	Incidents
Burglary Dwellings	x 2 (1 attempted no entry gained)
Taking of Motor Vehicle	x 1 (Offenders known)
Criminal Damage	x 2 (1 known, 1unknown offender)
Assault	x 1 (known offender)
Malicious Communications	x 1 (text messages)
ASB Personal	
Domestic involvement	
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Crime	Incidents	
ASB Personal	x 1 (linked to domestic involvement)	
ASB Nuisance	x 4	
Burglary Dwellings	x 1 (walk in burglary)	
Theft	x 1 (pedal cycles)	
Criminal Damage	x 1 (vehicle tyre)	
Theft Other	x 1 (from club in Wrexham)	
Domestic Involving Adults/jug.	x 4	
Arson	x 1 (offender detained)	
Breach of Bail	x 1 (resolved)	
Assault	x 1 (1 x arrested)	
Harassment	x 1 (resolved)	

Tanyfron

Crime	Incidents
ASB Personal	x 1 (Offender known)
Criminal Damage	x 1 (Offender known)
BOTD	x 1 (bike theft)
Domestic involving Adults	x 3

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Kelly said that issues had been raised with regards to Cefn Road, Pentre Saeson and Glascoed with Streetscene. However, due to limited resources and staffing these had not yet been resolved.

Cllr Rogers said that WCBC were spending money on Brymbo library by purchasing more furniture. He said that the library's usage was increasing but could be better. At present the library was not used for such things as coffee mornings, however he hoped it would be in future. He said that usage was measured by book and computer borrowing and these were increasing steadily year on year. He urged residents to carry on using the library. With regard to the flooding in the Lodge a culvert had been cleared, however a second culvert had collapsed therefore WCBC were taking action to rectify this. There had been an issue with an adjoining landowner that the County Borough was having difficulty resolving.

4. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

The Chairman read out correspondence that had been received from Bowen Son and Watson outlining their proposals for Cambrian House and rent proposals for the building and their charges. Cllr Shone proposed that the CC accept their proposal based upon a no let no fee basis. Cllr Monti seconded his proposal. Cllr Z Clarke asked if there was a timescale of six months or so to enable the agents to secure tenants. Cllr Jones asked if the fees were subject to all units being let. Cllr Shone said that the CC should get clarification on the no let a fee from the agents. Cllr Kelly said that there were a number of units in Minera that had no tenants in, and wondered whether there would be any leeway in the rental proposals in order to fill up the units. Cllr Shone said that there should be realistic figures and Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that the fees should be variable. A vote was taken and carried unanimously that Bowen Son and Watson would act on behalf of the CC.

5. ROADS

Cllr Rogers said that double yellow lines were now in place on Cheshire View and near the Chemist in Brymbo.

6. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr Kelly said that there had been lights burning all day by the War Memorial and on Brymbo Road. There was also damage to one lamp near the milestone junction. Cllr Kelly was pursing this.

9. WAR MEMORIAL

No further information.

11. PLANNING

FIRST FLOOR EXTENSION ASHLEA HIGH STREET BRYMBO P/2012/0843- No observations

TWO STOREY EXTENSION THE BARN PENTRE SAESON FARM BRYMBO ROAD BWLCHGWYN P/2012/0864-Observations raised

Cllr Rogers said that residents of Tanyfron had made their own objections to the planning applications discussed at the previous meeting. He raised concerns that some of the objections had been based on misinformation.

12. TANYFRON MUGA

Members were told that a new timer was to be installed on the MUGA and also the surface was to be re-laid within the next few weeks.

13. BRYMBO HERITAGE GROUP.

The Chairman welcomed Ian Parkin and Lorna Jenner to the meeting. They presented their report.

There was a short question and answer session. Cllr Kelly said that it was difficult for the CC to commit with regards to funding as the land was owned by BDL. Cllr Rogers said that WCBC had met with the consultants who had said that the landowners needed to support the plan. Cllr Rogers believed that progress was being made. Cllr Shone asked if artefacts were being removed and being sent to Cardiff the local residents would therefore need to go to Cardiff to see these. Mr Parkin said that the nation had a right to preserve them; however this would ensure they were being preserved. Cllr Shone also said that to enable this project to move forward quickly the land would need to be transferred over as soon as possible. Cllr Rogers said he would like to see the CC throw their weight behind this project and to make sure Brymbo Heritage Group had the resources to move forward. Local support was also needed. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that the figures being talked about where beyond the funding capability of the CC, however if it were a token gesture that was needed it would be discussed positively. Cllr Monti said that over many years the CC had supported the Heritage Group, and the crux of the matter was the land the site was on. Cllr Rogers said that BDL was not in a position to take on the project at present. Cllr Z Clarke said that the project should be highlighted to residents in the village as it was a significantly unique site. Cllr Woodfine-Jones told Mr. Parkin and Mrs Jenner that the project could rely on the full support of the CC. He thanked them both for attending and presenting their report.

14. CHAIRMANS ALLOWANCE

Cllr J Clarke said that he had done some research on the Chairman's Allowance and had asked around other CC's. He had also studied the Good Councillor Guide, which gave guidance on how the allowance should be used. He also believed that how the allowance was spent should be documented and receipts provided to the Clerk, as otherwise it was not transparent. Cllr Z Clarke said that there was no justification that lighting and planning reps. should receive an allowance, as this was public money and should be accounted for. Any expenses should be document for. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that the allowance was one that had been given for many years; however, Cllr Z Clarke said that this did not make it acceptable. Cllr Rogers said he was glad it was on the Agenda as the situation of allowances would be changing in April. The Independent Panel had issued a document explaining future procedures. Cllr Shone said he agreed with Cllr Z Clarke and that Councillors had a duty to the community, as a budget had recently been agreed that would bear no tax increase to the ratepayers of the 3 communities. Cllr Reston asked whether a claim could be made on a monthly basis for any expenditure; however Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that this would cause financial problems for Councillors who were not in work. Cllr Z Clarke asked whether a paper trail could be produced as evidence to the public that the funds had been spent. Cllr Shone proposed that the Chairman Allowance be reduced to £600.00 from next April and further discussion would be needed on individual allowances for other Councillors. This was seconded by Cllr J Clarke. A vote was taken. 6 were in favour therefore the majority vote. was accepted. It was agreed to put the item along with the Independent, Panel's report on next month's agenda. Cllr Rogers abstained from voting.

15. CLERK'S ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW.

The CC agreed to increase the Clerk's point scale to 26 from April 2013. The Clerk had requested a separate telephone line be installed There would be no admin fee for the installation if the broadband was transferred to BT. Members agreed to this.

16. CORRESPONDENCE

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SUSAN ELAN JONES/KEN SKATES ADVICE OF SURGERIES LETTER OF THANKS TANYFRON AND VRON COMMUNITY ASSOC. THE VOICE

Cllr Tilston said that he had contacted other CC to assist with the Ramblers Assoc. and thanked the CC for giving him the opportunity to be in a position of being able to pass on his experience which he had gained through his role, to others in the County.

17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2447 CAME & CO MUGA INSURANCE	131.75
2448 B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	16.20
2449 WCBC RATES CAMBRIAN HOUSE	174.00
2450 WCBC RATES CAMBRIAN HOUSE	678.00
2451 NWP POWER MAINTENANCE	600.26
2452 BTRT HIRE OF ROOM 11/12	20.00
2453 CORONA ENERGY CAMBRIAN HOUSE	129.15
2454 AJI ACCOUNTING SOLUTIONS	54.00
2455 B M HUGHES SALARY	449.21
2456 INLAND REVENUE	112.20
2457 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	968.68
2458 ENCORE OFFICE SYSTEMS	43.20

The meeting closed at 8.51pm.