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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 14th JANUARY 2014 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE Present –Cllr Monti (Chairman)
Brymbo Ward- Councillors J Clarke P Rogers and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors T Birch, D Griffiths and D Davies

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillor M Jones

County Borough Councillor D Kelly.

Apologies Councillors S Rawlinson, M Reston and B Woodfine-Jones,

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Shone- Access to Coed y Felin

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday December 10th 2014 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. POLICING

Crime Stats - Bwlchgwyn

Crime	Incidents
Theft Other	2 (Undetected – oil taken, building materials taken)
Criminal Damage	1 (Smashed window - undetected)

Crime Stats - Brymbo

Crime	Incidents
ASB Personal	1 (Resolved – parking dispute)
ASB Nuisance	2 (Adult related)
BOTD	1 (On going – nothing taken)
Theft	1 (Filed as undetected)
Assault S.47	2 (1 x Domestic related on-going, 1 x person charged)
Common Assault	1 (complaint withdrawn)
Harassment	1 (settled with PIN notice)
RTC – minor injury	2 (1 x person charged as result of accident)

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Crime Stats - Tanyfron

Crime	Incidents
ASB Environment	1 (Abandoned vehicle – resolved)
ASB Nuisance	1 (Adult related)
BOTD	1 (Entry gained to shed nothing taken)
Assault S.47	1 (On-going)
RTC – serious injury	1

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Rogers told members that the Executive Board had met that day and there were no changes to the budget proposal, however there would be a significant reduction in the grass cutting service provided by WCBC. Cllr Kelly added that a further report would be made to the scrutiny committee with regards to this. Cllr Shone said that the Borough Council had a liability to ensure that the cutting of the grass verges was carried out as it could prove to be hazardous to both pedestrians and motorists. Cllr Rogers said that presently parts of Brymbo were being cut too often whilst other parts were not cut often enough. Cllr Kelly said that the public were now paying more and more and were having to settle for less and less in terms of services from WCBC. Cllr Shone asked what the Borough Council would be spending on during the next financial year. Andy Hughes was now the interim manager for Streetscene following Geraint Smith's retirement. He would possible take on this position permanently in the future. With regard to Brymbo library Cllr Rogers said that it had been threatened with closure. However, relocation was being looked at. WCBC were putting together a grant application as no funding would be coming from WCBC in the future. Cllr Rogers said that he felt disappointed that the future of the Library had come to this after progress had been made in the past. Cllr Shone said that the library could move into Cambrian House as it was now empty. The CC could offer WCBC the space needed if they would pay for heating etc. Cllr Rogers said that the Borough council were not willing to pay anything towards to the cost of the Library. Cllr Rogers said that the grant application was to be looked at positively as WCBC were willing to apply for this to secure the relocation of the Library. Cllr Rogers said that if the bid was not successful other options would be looked at.

Cllr Rogers said that on a positive note the Post Office had opened again in Brymbo and was based in the Enterprise Centre.

Cllr Kelly said that he would like to thank the Chairman for his hospitality after the Christmas meeting where Councillors had been invited for a Christmas meal and drinks.

4. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

The Clerk told members that she had received a phone call from the letting agents Bowen Son & Watson saying that a prospective tenant had viewed the property and following the viewing had enquired whether he could purchase it as it suited his immediate needs. The Clerk had received the formal offer from the Agents and also an e-mail from them saying that the offer was slightly lower than they would have valued the property. Cllr Birch said that this seemed like good news as no-one had previously shown any interest in the property whilst it had been with the Agents. The Clerk said that the building had been advertised for lease since October and

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members had agreed to lease it for six months. A decision could therefore be made at the next meeting if the CC wished to sell the property. Cllr Shone said that if the CC decided to sell, 3 valuations would be needed and the CC would need to be transparent and not sell to the first interested party. Cllr Jones said she would be willing to oversee that the process would be done correctly and volunteered to follow the correct procedures. Cllr Jones agreed to join the Cambrian House subcommittee. Cllr Kelly advised members that capital gains tax could be due on the sale of the building and this must be look into further. Members decided that the subcommittee would meet before the next meeting in February to request 3 valuations that would be sent to the Clerk in order that a decision could be made at the February meeting.

5. ROADS

Cllr Birch said that after the accident in Tanyfron Streetscene had been to the scene and cleared up, however there was work to be done as the railings needed to be erected as they were a necessity. Cllr Birch said that at the junction of Tanyfron Road and College Hill where the road had been re-surfaced parts had begun to break up. Cllr Birch said he had received complaints from residents. Cllr Rogers said he would pass this on to be dealt with.

Cllr Birch asked if the speed limit along the road by the Crick could be monitored and requested that he attend any site meeting which would be held.

6. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

The Clerk said that she had not received a reply from NWP Power with regards to the column on Pleasant Lane in Brymbo. A quote had been received to relocate the column at £913.00 & VAT. To remove the column the cost would be 169.21 & VAT. Cllr Rogers proposed that the light be relocated on the basis that the road was currently very dark and employees in the nursing home were very grateful for it. This was seconded by Cllr Griffiths. A vote was taken. There were 4 in favour and 3 against. The motion was carried.

9. WAR MEMORIAL

No further information.

10. PLANNING

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL AT SOUTHSEA ROAD SOUTHSEA WREXHAM

11. COMMUNITY CENTRES

Cllr Birch raised concerns about the content of the Tanyfron & Fron Community Association newsletter he had received. It said that with the proposed WCBC cuts, Brymbo CC would be asked to fully fund the Centre from April 2014 or possibly

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support the centre for 12 months. It stated that after two meetings the Community Council had more or less guaranteed to support the centres but were waiting for HR advice. Cllr Birch said that the CC had never guaranteed to fund the centres and the Association had been made fully aware of this. He asked that the Clerk write to the secretary to clear up any confusion. Cllr Jones asked how much the CC would be contributing towards the three Community Centres during the next financial year as the Bwlchgwyn residents would like to be made aware of the amount. Cllr Shone said that the residents had been asked to come back to the CC with a business plan and evidence of realistic revenue that they could obtain. The CC would then discuss what support it could give. Cllr Kelly asked if the 20% support that was given for 2013/2014 was available, however Cllr Shone said that this was not in addition to the £11000.00 contingency fund set aside for the next financial year. He said that the groups wishing to take on the Centres would need to present their business plan and realistic running costs and income before any decision would be made. Cllr Shone stressed that this was a contingency fund that had been set aside in case emergency funds were needed for the three centres. He said that each group would be looked at on merit. Cllr Kelly said that some centres may have to close first whilst looking at staffing issues and then perhaps re-open at a later date. Cllr Rogers said that in this case all local groups should be encouraged to stay in the area during this time. Cllr Kelly said that Broughton CC had agreed to fund 50% of the running costs of the Lodge CC which would be £654.00 if Brymbo CC agreed to do the same. Cllr Shone proposed that if the annual running costs of the Lodge Community Centre were £1308.00 annually for 2014/2015 then Brymbo CC would contribute a maximum of 50% which would be £654.00. This would come from the Contingency Fund. He stressed that the CC was not on the border but within the boundary of Brymbo. Cllr Jones argued that the CC could not fund one Community Centre without funding the others. Cllr Rogers said that the Lodge had lost all its facilities including Play Areas. Cllr Birch seconded Cllr Shone's proposal. Cllr Jones said she wished to table an amendment that the CC contributes the same amount to the other two Community centres. Cllr Monti said that if this happened it could then restrict any further assistance if required in the future. Cllr Jones withdrew her amendment. Cllr Griffiths pointed out that there was still confusion of who owned the land where the Bwlchgwyn CC stood at the moment and this needed clarifying. Cllr Jones said that she was looking into this. A vote was taken. There were 5 in favour and 2 against. The motion was carried.

Cllr Kelly said he would like to re-iterate how important the Community Centre in Bwlchgwyn was for all the residents. He said that with the proposed reduced bus service the villagers would be even more isolated.

12. CLERKS ANNUAL PAY REVIEW

Members decided that the Clerks salary would remain the same for the next financial year with no increase.

13. BRYMBO VACANCY

The Clerk told members that she had received the resignation of Thomas Crofts and Zoe Clark. There were therefore two vacancies in the Brymbo ward. The Clerk requested that the appropriate notices by placed in the Community of Brymbo for fourteen days.

14. ACCESS TO LAND AT COED Y FELIN

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Cllr Shone reminded members that it had been approx. a year since his request for access to land at Coed y Felin Road. He said that this could be viewed as maladministration on the part of the Community Council. The Clerk said she had written to the solicitors after the last discussion and had not had a response. Cllr Rogers asked that the matter be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

LICENSING APPLICATIONS
WCBC OFF STREET PARKING PLACES
PROPOSED DIVERSION OF BROUGHTON FOOTPATH 50, QUEENS ROAD
BRYMBO
ERECTION OF WIND TURBINE LAND AT MOUNT FARM, FFRITH WREXHAM
GROUNDWORK GREEN SPACES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

16. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2599 BTRT HIRE OF ROOM DECEMBER 2600 CORONA ENERGY CAMBRIAN HOUSE	20.00 116.04
2601 J CLARKE WEBSITE	11.99
2602 JONES LIGHTING MAINTENANCE	1431.62
2603 WCBC CONTRIBUTION TYF COM CENTRE	1614.00
2604 WCBC CONTRIBUTION LODGE COM CENTRE	217.00
2605 WCBC CONTRIBUTION B/G COM CENTRE	3485.00
2606 SHERRATT BRONWENS GREEN MAINTENACE	126.00
2607 FRIENDS OF TANYFRON DONATION	100.00
2608 FRIENDS OF TANYFRON GRANT	150.00
2609 BRYMBO WI DONATION	250.00
2610 BWLCHGWYN PLAYGROUP DONATION	100.00
2611 BWLCHGWYN PLAYGROUP GRANT	400.00
2612 DEE VALLEY WATER B/GREEN	228.47
2613 DEE VALLEY WATER CAM HSE	28.48
2614 B M HUGHES SALARY	480.44
2615 INLAND REVENUE	120.00
2616 B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	11.40
2617 SCOTTISH POWER MUGA TANYFRON	212.56
2618 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1057.27

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

Signed Wolforth BEM. Chairman

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