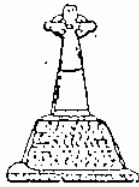


BRYMBO



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 14th December 2021 ON ZOOM

Present (Chairman) Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors D Ashworth, K Mathews, J Phelen, S Rawlinson, and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillor J Barton

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors R McNeil

Apologies- Councillors- L Prince and D Roberts (Brymbo), D Griffiths and G Hughes (Tanyfron) J Bassford-Barton and D Marsh (Bwlchgwyn).

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday November 9th 2021 were confirmed as a true record.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST-None

2. POLICING

The Chairman told members that the PCSO's had been test purchasing off licences in Brymbo and Tanyfron. All had passed with flying colours. They would during the month be testing public houses in the villages.

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

CBC Rogers told members that there had been damage during the recent storm.

The out of hour's number had not been manned in anticipation of the storm resulting in a number of issues for residents. A large tree had fallen on Bryn y Ffynnon play area which had caused residents to be blocked in for a few days. CBC Rogers urged members to report any issues with drains to WCBC at the Heritage site as this would result in them being resolved. The Chairman said that Lawrence Isted from WCBC was retiring soon however there were still outstanding issues with the LDP. The proposed consultation before Christmas had not happened therefore this could mean that it would run into the purdah period. He also said that the Boundary Commission review hearing was due in the New Year.

4. ROAD

Issues had been raised with the re-surfacing of Blast Road. WCBC had awarded the contract to another firm as a result of this and the works had been completed in 4 days.

5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

The Chairman said that there had been a very positive response to the Christmas lights in the villages with a small number of issues raised which were being dealt with.

8. WAR MEMORIAL

No further information.

9. PLANNING

TWO STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AND ERECTION OF PORCH

6 WESLEY ROAD BWLCHGWYN

P/2021/1088-No observations

184 W2/WORKS TO TREES PROTECTED BY TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

WCBC 184 W2

FORMER BRYMBO STEEL WORKS KENT ROAD BRYMBO

P/2021/1123-No observations

CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY SALES AREA WITH LANDSCAPING AND SIGNAGE FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FROM FEBRUARY 2022 TO OCTOBER 2024

LAND EAST OF HERITAGE WAY TAN Y FRON

P/2021/1165-No observations

10. PRECEPT/ST MARY'S CHURCH BRYMBO

The Clerk told members that the tax base had decreased to 1943. Currently ratepayers were paying £51.22 with the annual precept for 2021/2022 being £100391.20 The Clerk went through the budget and accounts with members. The Clerk suggested a reduction to the Community Centre Contingency budget to £1000.00 and move the £1000.00 to Clerks salary/Tax /NI. One Voice Wales/SLCC budget to increase to £1000.00 by reducing training to £300.00 and also room hire to £300.00. The lighting budget spending (year to date) was £33179.16. The cost of the Christmas lights was £8712.00 and 2 x new lamps £8054.89 Therefore the spending for the year after removing these was £16412.27. The budget was £40350.00. The Clerk estimated that another £3500.00 would be needed in energy costs for Scottish Power. She told members that the lighting budget could therefore be reduced to £25350.00. This would need to be looked at again next year with the rise in energy prices. The saving of £15000.00 as a result of the reduction in the budget would go towards Youth services and the Play project. This would see a shortfall of

£8095.60. This would be taken from the Capital Fund as the Christmas lights were now on the asset register. The Clerk said that Bronwens Green needed to be ring-fenced as it was used by more than just Brymbo residents. Bronwens Green took up £3108.13 from Brymbo Env Fund. The Clerk said that any expenditure for Bronwens Green should be taken from the Capital fund as this was also on the asset register. The Clerk asked whether members would consider agreeing to fund new lighting columns from the Capital fund at 10 columns per year at a cost of approx. £1000.00 each, as some were in considerable disrepair. Cllr Ashworth said that a set policy was needed for the replacing of the old concrete columns therefore this would work well. The Chairman said that the expenditure for the columns could be agreed and a renewal policy could be discussed at a future meeting. As a result of the amendments to the above budgets the Clerk suggested that the cost to ratepayers remain the same at £51.22. This would result in a precept request of £99520.46. Cllr Mathews proposed that the ratepayers pay £51.22, Cllr Shone, seconded the proposal. A vote was taken .All were in favour. This would therefore generate a precept of £99520.46.

The Chairman told members that the Church had suffered more damage to the roof in the storm. The Church had agreed to pay for the repairs however they had asked for a 5 year plan to be implemented. The Chairman said that in a very short space of time pledges had been made by residents to date in excess of £2000.00 .The Church had asked for a commitment from the CC to grant £2000.00 towards grass cutting for the next 5 years. This had already been budgeted for. The Chairman asked if members were happy to commit to this. Cllr Shone said he was however the CC needed to work closely with the contractors. Cllr Shone therefore proposed, and Cllr Ashworth seconded that the CC commit to granting £2000.00 annually towards the grass cutting. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

11. SCHOOL GOVERNOR TANYFRON

There was a vacancy for a Governor at Tanyfron School. This was as a result of not having three Councillors for a number of years. Cllr Barton said that she was happy to take up the position. The Clerk would pass on the details to WCBC.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

NIGHTINGALE HOUSE AND THANK YOU LETTER

13. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

3771	SHERRATTS REPLACEMENT FRO LOST CHQ NUMBER 3744	327.70
3772	B HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	13.60
3773	B HUGHES SALARY	*
3774	INLAND REVENUE	976.22
3775	AVOW PAYROLL	34.50
3776	BTRT PHOTOCOPYING	10.00
3777	BVHA YOUTH SERVICE	40.00
3778	CHRIST CHURCH B/G GRASSCUTTING	500.00

3779	SHERRATTS BRONWENS GREEN	327.70
3780	VRON GARDEN SERVICES B/G WAR MEMORIAL	159.80
3781	C LAMBERT BUILDING CABIN SKATE PARK	1680.00
3782	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1102.62
3783	J BASSFORD-BARTON RE-IMB 3 X CHRISTMAS TREES	260.00
3784	LUMALITE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	8712.00

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm.

Signed Chairman