

BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10th JULY 2012 AT TANYFRON COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Present –Cllr B Woodfine-Jones. (Chairman)
Brymbo Ward- Councillors J Clarke, Z Clarke, T Crofts, N Davies, K Monti, M Reston, P Rogers and M Shone.
Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors M Jones and S Tilston
Tanyfron Ward Councillors- D Davies and D Griffiths.
County Borough Councillor D Kelly.
Apologies –Councillor T Birch

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr M Shone Agenda Item 4
Cllr P Rogers Y Tai FC
Cllr S Tilston Ramblers Association

1. The minutes of the meeting of 12th June 2012 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman with one amendment under the heading Cambrian House. Re-sin should be re-scind.

2. POLICING

No statistics were available.
Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that the new PCSO for Bwlchgwyn would be starting in September.

3. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

Cllr Monti said the alarm system had been checked by contractors during the last few weeks. He said that the issue of grass cutting was now in hand. Cllr Shone said he had a potential interested party for the workshop and would be showing them around on Friday. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that commercial rental rates should be discussed. Cllr Shone confirmed this was so. Cllr J Clarke asked if a rental agent had been found. Cllr Shone said he would wait to see how interested the potential tenant was before making a decision. He said the sub-committee would meet to discuss these issues. Cllr Z Clarke said

that professional agents should be sought to decide on rental values for the whole building. Cllr Shone said that the sub-committee would discuss this at their next meeting.

4. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS.

Cllr Kelly said that he had been approached by Bwlchgwyn School as a vacancy for governor had arisen.

Cllr Kelly said that the Executive Board had met that day, and an enforcement officer was looking at an issue in Bwlchgwyn.

Cllr Rogers said that with regards to the Housing Renewal Scheme, there had been a reduction in funding, and as a result the scheme would not be completed by September. It would however be completed within 3 years as a result of these slippages in funding. Cllr Shone asked how the funding was paid if works had not been completed. Cllr Rogers said that bids were submitted each year. Cllr Shone said that his understanding of the scheme was that the scheme was valued, and a bid would then be submitted, and following this, allocation of funding was made. He said that the Welsh Assembly Government would normally pay for an eligible portion of expenses; Cllr Shone said that he would like to see the minutes of the earlier meeting as a point of interest as normally reviews were made at Welsh Government level.

Cllr Monti said that some properties had not yet even been looked at

Cllr Rogers said that in a report to the Executive Board, Brymbo would be included in the Communities First Scheme, and would benefit from this. He said that funding would be more targeted than it had been in the past.

Cllr Rogers said that on a positive note, the Enterprise centre had appointed a Development Officer who was already in post.

5. ROADS

Cllr Rogers said that Tanyfron Road was in the process being re-surfaced, and should be completed during the school summer holidays. He said that WCBC were re-building the retaining wall on Pen y Graig Road due to cracks appearing. This would cause some disruption.

Cllr Monti said that he had read a report by Cllr Rogers in the local paper which stated that Vicarage Road was a dangerous one. He said that the problem seemed to be, that some motorists were driving far too fast on that particular stretch of road.

Mr Bickerstaff from Tanyfron spoke and requested white lines on St. Albans Road. Cllr Rogers said he would add this to his list for his meeting on Thursday. He also asked whether signs of 20m.p.h. and beware of children could be placed on the junction of Park Road and Tanyfron Road. There had been 2 accidents there. Cllr Rogers said that WCBC were currently reviewing the traffic situation in the village.

Cllr Jones said problems had been occurring with parking and obstructing outside Bwlchgwyn School. Vehicles had been parking in gateways. Cllr Kelly said that if white lines were painted action could not be taken and yellow lines needed consultation.

6. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS



Cllr Rogers said that the roof of the bus shelter on High Street was leaking and needed addressing. He also put forward a request from residents of Tanyfron for the CC to purchase a sign and place it on the bus shelter saying 'no ball games', as children were continuously kicking balls against the wall and causing a nuisance to residents. Cllr Griffiths objected to this and said that if the children had a MUGA this would not happen. He said it proved that there was a need in the village.

Cllr Rogers said that Mr Halliwell a resident of Park Road wanted the shelter there to be removed. He was not happy with buses blocking his driveway. Cllr Tilston said that the notice board in Bwlchgwyn had been hit by a vehicle and asked if the insurance would cover the cost of repair.

7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

The Clerk had received correspondence from both Brymbo FC and Y Tai FC, asking how payment should be made and availability. Cllr Monti said that someone needed to be in charge of the facilities and be responsible for them. He also said that he had received costings to cut the grass at the same price as the previous year. He had accepted this. He reminded members that the changing facilities needed painting and the smaller pitch would need cutting. Cllr Z Clarke asked whether the probation service could help with the painting, or the Youth Club. Cllr Davies said this was a reasonable suggestion and he would take it to the Youth Club Committee. With regards to payment, members said that a fixture list should be sent from both clubs. Cllr Shone said that payment was usually made for the season in advance in such matters. Cllr Tilston said that this was exciting news, and thanked Cllr Monti who had persevered in working to provide sporting facilities for residents and their families. The Clerk asked if the water meter could be read. Cllr Shone said that the teams who were playing on the land would need to be told to keep the heaters on the frost setting as this would ensure no damage would come about over the winter months.

8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr Jones said that she was concerned that the Duke of Edinburgh scheme walkers were walking along private roads. She asked who at WCBC she could contact. Cllr Kelly said it would be Sean Hanratty.

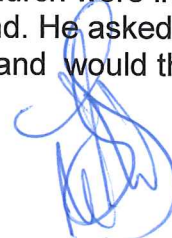
9. WAR MEMORIAL

Cllr Kelly said that he had concerns about the War Memorial in Bwlchgwyn, and had heard that the contractor had not been well. He said that the appearance of the War Memorial had been raised last year. Cllr Tilston said that the Bwlchgwyn Councillor's should get together to discuss this.

10. CHURCH/CHURCHYARDS

Work was being carried out at St. Mary's Church in Brymbo. A glass partition was being erected and heating installed.

Cllr Rogers said that the path and railings at St. John's church were in a bad state and needed repairing. He had met with the Reverend. He asked if anyone would like to join a working group to discuss this and would they please contact him.



11. PLANNING

SINGLE STOREY REAR LOUNGE EXTENSION (IN RETROSPECT)
20 COLLEGE FIELDS TANYFRON
P/2012/0462-No observations

DISPLAY OF SALES ADVERTISEMENT SIGNANGE (IN RETROSPECT)
LAND AT BRYMBO LINK ROAD AND TANYFRON ROAD TANYFRON
P/2012/0448-No observations

ERECTION OF DOUBLE GARAGE
PENYBRYN FRONHEULOG HILL BWLCHGWYN
P/2012/0444-Observations raised

DISPLAY OF SALES ADVERTISEMENT SIGNANGE (IN RETROSPECT)
BRYMBO HALL ROAD OPPOSITE BRYN GWENFRO BRYMBO
P/2012/0446-No observations

DISPLAY OF SALES ADVERTISEMENT SIGNANGE (IN RETROSPECT)
ROUNDAABOUT AT LAMBERTON DRIVE AND BRYMBO HALL ROAF
BRYMBO
P/2012/0445-No observations

DISPLAY OF SALES ADVERTISEMENT SIGNANGE (IN RETROSPECT)
BRYMBO LINK ROAD NEAR BOWLING GREEN OPPOSITE COLLEGE HILL
TANYFRON
P/2012/0447-No observations

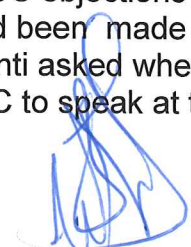
OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR ERECTION OF 2 NO. DETACHED TWO
STOREY DWELLINGS AND ACCESS ROAD
LAND AT QUEENS ROAD BRYMBO
P/2012/0467-No observations

LOWERING OF KERB FOR DRIVEWAYESS
28 PEN Y GRAIG ROAD BRYMBO
P/2012/0478-No observations

FOR INFORMATION

LAND EAST OF JUNCTION OF TANYFRON ROAD WITH SOUTHSEA ROAD
P/2011/0670 APPEAL TO TAKE PLACE 19/07/2012

Cllr Davies said that with regards to this appeal, Mr Cash had appointed his own barrister. Objections could only be raised on the issue of the Green barrier land. Cllr Woodfine-Jones wished Cllr Davies well in presenting her views at the appeal. Cllr Monti asked whether objections could be raised as a result of probable traffic congestion. Cllr Shone said that BCC objections could only be made under pre-recorded objections that had been made when the planning application was first applied for. Cllr Monti asked whether it would be an advantage to have a representative of the CC to speak at the



appeal. He proposed that either Cllr Shone or Cllr Woodfine-Jones attend the appeal. This was seconded by Cllr Jones. All were in favour.

12. TANYFRON MUGA

With regards to the MUGA Cllr Rogers said that it had been deferred until August, as Executive Board lead members would be allowed to gain further information and be better informed to make a decision. Cllr Shone asked what further information was needed. Cllr Rogers said that residents had requested more information and had raised further concerns. Cllr Shone said that it appeared to him that WCBC had been playing footsie with the CC since last year on this matter. He said that Cllr Rogers had told the CC in July last year that Steve Bayley of WCBC was away on holiday and upon his return he had the power to sign the lease on behalf of WCBC. Cllr Shone said that it was understood that Mr Bayley had the delegated power to do this, and as a result the CC put the work out for tender. A contractor, as a result had therefore been installed and this could now leave the CC in an awkward position. He said that the Clerk had been requested by WCBC to send information re the MUGA to to different departments, and had then been requested to send the same information again. He said that this could potentially be an issue to raise before the Ombudsman, and asked what was happening at WCBC that they could not perform the task of a simple lease of land. Cllr Rogers said that it was not an officer hold-up that had occurred. Cllr Shone said that he found it hard to understand that a minor change to the planning with regard to lighting and fencing which had been presented to WCBC the previous year, could result in the Environmental and Economic department at WCBC delaying for over twelve months as nothing had happened over this period of time. Cllr Jones asked what information the lead members were now asking for. Cllr Rogers said that residents had requested more information as a meeting had taken place the previous week. He said that there was some confusion with the information given to the Exec Board and they required all the information in front of them before making a decision. Cllr Shone said that most of the objections had been on planning matters and he could not understand why the Executive Board had delayed in making a decision as these objections should not be taken into account on a decision to lease the land. Cllr Shone asked on whose advice had this decision to defer been taken, and Cllr Rogers said it was on the advice of lead members. Cllr Shone said he would be writing to Malcolm King of WCBC asking him to provide a full and detailed explanation as to why an authority as large as WCBC were not able to simply lease this land. The Chairman said he would fully support this action. .

13. CIRCULATION OF MINUTES AND AGENDA BY E-MAIL

Cllr Jones asked whether members would be happy to receive their minutes and Agenda by e-mail, and thereby saving the CC and tax payers approx. £120.00 p.a .Minutes would still be put on the web-site. Members decided that those who wished to receive correspondence by e-mail would, with the exception of those who did not have access to e-mail and printers.



14. RIGHT OF WAY TO PROVIDE SAFE ACCESS TO SPORTS PITCH AT COED Y FELIN ROAD

The Chair read out a letter written by Cllr Shone. Cllr Shone raised concerns about the safe access to the playing field at Coed y Felin, which was to be put forward as an application for Owain Glyndwr status by Cllr Rogers. A gate had been installed adjacent to the bridge structure with half the width inside the boundary of Cllr Shone's property. This could potentially cause difficulties for drivers of emergency vehicles and placed Cllr Shone in a position of liability. No request had been made to him for this alteration which posed a potential breach of covenant between him and his predecessors in title to the land. He said in the letter that he could not allow this use within the present location to continue and he therefore had no alternative than to serve notice on WCBC that the boundary be returned to its original form. At the other end of the present access there was a blind junction. In the past members of BCC had recognised that the junction presented an unacceptable level of danger to drivers who used the access and also vehicular and pedestrian users of Coed Y Felin road. He attached a proposal for safe access for emergency and maintenance vehicles to access the playing field that would provide a permanent solution to the issues raised. Cllr Shone in his letter said he was willing to answer any questions members may have on an information only basis. He declared an interest. Cllr Shone brought a plan to circulate between members. The Clerk circulated a copy of the original lease held by the CC to each member. Cllr Shone's proposal was, that he granted the benefit of right of way to the land for the present owners, and their successors in title, to provide a safe route for emergency vehicles to access the playing fields. Brymbo CC would then grant the benefit of a right of way to the land in order that the present owners of the land and their successors in title access the land for any purpose. Cllr Shone would undertake the formation works of the roadway at his own expense, with no financial cost to the CC. Maintaining the roadway in a condition of good repair would be the responsibility of the users. The proposal which would form a covenant to both Land titles would require registration with the Land Registry of Wales. This proposal would safeguard the future enjoyment of the playing field by the children of St Mary's school and residents of the wider community.

Cllr Rogers said that his understanding of the Code of Conduct was that when a member declared an interest he should leave the room. Cllr Reston agreed with Cllr Rogers and said Cllr Shone should now leave. Cllr Reston produced photographs and circulated them to members. Cllr Rogers said that the photographs referred to vehicular access across the land. Work had been undertaken by a third party previously. Approx. 2 years ago, Cllr Rogers said that the adjacent property had blocked off a bridleway, therefore WCBC could not access the land. Unbeknown to him, they then put in the current access, which crossed Cllr Shone's land. He said this issue should be resolved between WCBC and Cllr Shone. Cllr Monti recalled some years ago that the CC agreed that the landowner could alter the gateway and the road towards the football pitch. However, the road had been altered differently to what had been agreed. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that as Cllr Shone said in his letter, he was eager to resolve the situation. He said that perhaps a site visit would be beneficial. Cllr Rogers said that he believed the matter should be deferred as there were numerous factors to consider, especially as the



access ran along the car park. He said as a matter of courtesy the Church should be consulted. He said that residents should not be affected. Cllr Rogers said that there were also possible planning implications. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said that Cllr Shone could block the access off if required. Cllr Rogers said that the residents would be appalled if this happened and they had a right of way. He said the adjacent landowner would need to be consulted. Cllr Davies said that the map produced was could be slightly confusing and a site visit would be beneficial to look at the matter in depth. Cllr Reston suggested inviting a senior member of the Ambulance service to attend the site meeting. Cllr Rogers said a member of WCBC should also be invited. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said this could be useful. Cllr Davies proposed this, and was seconded by Cllr Monti. All were in favour.

15. FLOODING

A resident of the village addressed members and said that there had been severe flooding over 18 years at his home in Pentre Fron Road. He had previously settled out of court with WCBC. Cllr Rogers said that he would be happy to raise this issue at his meeting on Thursday with John Bradbury. The resident said that previously Paul Fairclough of WCBC had approved the building of a pit however this had not solved the problem. He also had problems with water coming from the fields. Cllr Woodfine-Jones said he could understand the resident's frustration and anger and asked what the CC could do for him. Cllr Monti suggested that the gentleman attended the meeting with WCBC; however Cllr Rogers said this was not possible. Cllr Rogers said that he could perhaps attend a site meeting. Cllr Monti suggested that Cllr Rogers report back to the resident and also the CC who would be fully supportive of him.

16. CORRESPONDENCE

NORTHERN MARCHES CYMRU COMMUNITY HERITAGE AND CULTURE GRANT SCHEME
BRYMBO/BROUGHTON HOUSING RENEWAL AREA STEERING GROUP
OMBUDSMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT
SWANSEA UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY GOVERNORS
WCBC-2013 REVIEW OF PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES IN WALES
SHELTER CYMRU NEWSLETTER
AVOW HEALTH, SOCIAL CARE AND WELLBEING NEWSLETTER
MINUTES OF THE MOUNTAIN BIKE CENTRE LIAISON GROUP
AVOW NOTICE OF AGM

17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

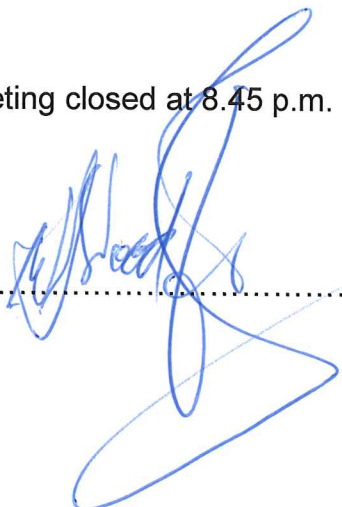
2354 TONY CROFTS WA MEMORIAL 125.00
2355 ONE VOICE WALES 4X CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING 120.00
2356 ONE VOICE WALES 7X NEW COUNCILLOR TRAINING 210.00
2357 DEE VALLEY WATER CAM HSE 27.63
2358 SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY 936.42
2359 DEE VALLEY WATER BRONWENS GREEN 65.25



- 2360 ACCOUNTING SOLUTIONS 54.00
- 2361 WCBC RATES OFFICE 4 174.00
- 2362 WCBC EXC OFFICE 4 678.00
- 2363 SENTRY SECURITY SERVICES 516.00
- 2364 NWP POWER SYSTEMS MAINT 947.96
- 2365 CORONA ENERGY CAM HSE 67.06
- 2366 BRYMBO ANGLING CLUB DONATION 250.00
- 2367 BWLCHGWYN LUNCHEON CLUB DONATION 300.00
- 2368 BWLCHGWYN SCHOOL DIAMOND JUBILEE DONATION 250.00
- 2369 ALL SAINTS CHURCH DIAMOND JUBILEE DONATION 100.00
- 2370 B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES 21.00
- 2371 B M HUGHES REFUND BAR FOR CHAIN OF OFFICE 12.50
- 2372 B M HUGHES SALARY JULY 449.21
- 2373 INALND REVENUE JULY 112.16
- 2374 BM HUGHES SALARY AUGUST 449.41
- 2375 INLAND REVENUE AUGUST 112.40
- 2376 BRYMBO & LODGE YOUTH CLUB GRANT 3000.00

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Signed Chairman

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, written over a dotted line. The signature is highly cursive and difficult to decipher, but it appears to be a name starting with 'M' and 'H'.