

**Minera Community Council Meeting on Wednesday 15<sup>h</sup> May 2019**

**7.40 pm at the Tyn Y Capel, Minera**

**Present:** Cllrs: J Edwards (Chair), H Field (Vice Chair), W Blaze, S Edwards, J Rosier, J Belton, J Savin, D Kelly, D Austin, J Barton, G Nelmes, J Marsh

Clerk: Mr D Hinchliffe

**Apologies:** None (full council in attendance)

**015/19            Declarations of Interest**

**015.1/19**        There were no declarations of interest

**016/19            Ratification of the minutes of the April meeting**

**016.1/19**        The minutes were ratified without amendment as a true record of the meeting held on Wednesday 24 April 2019, and were proposed for adoption by Cllr S Edwards, seconded by Cllr W Blaze.

**017/19            Matters Arising**

**017.1/19**        Issues relating to LED street lighting (previously minuted under 130.3/18 and 004.1/19) had been noted as business for the next Street Lighting Committee meeting. When the Chair recently reported outages, Jones Brothers enquired when the pending contract would be signed.

**017.2/19**        Letters to be sent by the Clerk to Coedpoeth Falcons and Gower Homes, as noted in the April minutes, would be sent following the May meeting.

**018/19            Police Report**

**018.1/19** The report, which had been circulated to all Councillors ahead of the meeting, recorded 2 instances of theft and 1 instance of criminal damage. Cllr D Kelly noted for the awareness of all Councillors that anti-social behaviour had been on the rise recently across the Tanyfron/Brymbo/Pentre Broughton area.

**019/19            Minera Community Council Chair's Report**

**019.1/19**        The Chair presented the report for the month, drawing attention to the development application by C4C at Gegin Farm. Residents' feedback concerning the development had been a mix of support and opposition. There had been some misunderstanding in the community as to the exact purpose of the new facility, which hopefully was now cleared up.

He had contacted the Police in relation to sheep roaming loose in the Gwynfryn area near the

B5430 Old Road. Also, he had visited a property near The Lead Mines in relation to water leaking on to the footpath. The matter has now been resolved.

His attempts to unblock a drain near The Spinney on the Old Road failed. It was reported by Cllr J Belton that this drain had been blocked for a long time.

The Chair had reported a broken gate post on f/p No 13 in Gwynfryn.

## **020/19 County Borough Councillor's Report**

**020.1/19** Cllr D Kelly provided a verbal report, noting:

**020.1/19** Resurfacing of the Old Road had been performed very speedily, although the new surface had had to be re-laid in part and gullies would need clearing of loose chippings due to heavy rain before the surface had gone off. White lines would be added shortly, but probably not cats' eyes.

**020.2/19** The issue of visibility of the 40MPH sign should now have been sorted, although further feedback received suggested that only one sign needed to be fully visible for the law to be enforceable.

**020.3/19** Other roadworks in the ward had been delayed, but progress was expected to be made in due course. Budgetary considerations would be central to the scheduling of work on Berwig Hill, leading from Minera to Gwynfryn.

**020.4/19** Planning correspondence just received and circulated to all Councillors ahead of the meeting showed that Gower Homes now proposed to build 9 dwellings. As had been previously noted, the Clerk will write to Gower Homes to request a meeting.

**020.5/19** Further planning correspondence received and circulated included details of a proposed chicken processing facility at Five Crosses Industrial Estate. A number of concerns were aired, including existing and additional pressures on parking, and the Clerk will request a suitable extension for the full paperwork, once received, to be considered by all Councillors ahead of the June meeting.

**020.6/19** Cllr Kelly added that awareness of the conservation area status of Minera and the accompanying restrictions on minor developments was not universally understood, and urged all Councillors to discuss issues with neighbours and residents. Cllr J Rosier would add details to the website by way of an information resource on the issue.

## **021/19 School Governor's Report**

**021.1/19** Cllr J Savin presented the report, which had previously been circulated to all Councillors. The school has moved upwards from its previous classification of amber for standards and effectiveness, and has been recognised for the excellence of its teaching standards.

**021.2/19** It was decided that the Clerk would send a letter of congratulations to the Headteacher on behalf of the Council, proposed by Cllr J Marsh and seconded by Cllr W Blaze.

### **022/19 Correspondence**

**022.1/19** A summary of correspondence received had been circulated to all Councillors ahead of the meeting. The list was reviewed and the following points noted:

**022.2/19** The damage to the Gwynfryn play area rocking horse was discussed, noting that the equipment was still functional, but should be restored to its original condition if possible. The Chair will make enquiries in an attempt to find a repairer who would be more economic than reverting to the original manufacturer.

**022.3/19** Information received relating to the provision of Youth Support Small Grants by WCBC would be added to the agenda of the next Projects Meeting on 5 June.

**022.4/19** Correspondence from WCBC relating to funding for a Community Agent was discussed and it was resolved that the Clerk would invite a representative of WCBC to the next Projects Meeting on 5 June.

### **023/19 Grants and Donations**

**023.1/19** A request from Bwlchgwyn Parents and Toddlers for assistance in replacing a worn-out climbing frame was discussed. It was proposed by Cllr J Belton and seconded by Cllr H Field that the Council would provide a donation of £50.

**023.2/19** A request from Vic Studios for support towards their music-based activities with vulnerable groups in Wrexham was discussed. It was proposed by Cllr J Barton and seconded by Cllr S Edwards that the Clerk ascertain the level of support granted to a similar request received around a year ago and organise a further donation by the Council of the same value.

**023.3/19** Following discussion of the correspondence received from WCBC regarding the cost of providing the school crossing patrol, the Clerk will include the item as a specific review point at the next budget review in June.

### **024/19 Financial Matters**

**024.1/19** Approval of the monthly financial statement was proposed by Cllr H Field and seconded by Cllr S Edwards.

**024.2/19** Approval for payment of items received was proposed by Cllr J Marsh and seconded by Cllr W Blaze.

### **025/19 Planning Matters**

**025.1/19** To consider planning applications received from Chief Planning Officer

Issues and matters arising under this heading had been considered within the discussion of the County Borough Councillor's report (20.4/19 and 20.5/19 above).

**025.2/19 To review details of email circulated concerning C4C planning application at Gegin Farm**

Issues and matters arising under this heading had been considered within the discussion of the Chair's report (019.1/19 above).

**026/19 Provision of a dedicated telephone line for the Clerk to the Community Council**

**026.1/19** Following a short discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Marsh and seconded by Cllr H Field that the Clerk organise acquisition of a contract mobile phone to be dedicated to use for Minera Community Council business, and to publicise the number once acquired.

Meeting adjourned 2115 hrs.

