

Minutes Minera Community Council Meeting on Wednesday 21st November 2018

7.15 pm in the community room at the Tyn Y Capel, Minera

Present: Cllr S Edwards, Cllr J Savin, Cllr D Kelly, Cllr W Blaze, Cllr J Marsh, Cllr H Field, Cllr J Marsh and Clerk to the Council Emma L Topham

Apologies: Cllr J Barton, Cllr J Belton, Cllr G Nelmes and Cllr J Rosier.

87/18 Minutes Silence for Cllr D Grant. As he sadly passed away, suddenly since the last meeting, condolences are sent to his family at this time.

88/18 Declarations of Interest:

88.1/18 There were no declarations of interest recorded.

89/18 Ratification of minutes of last meeting

89.1/18 The clerk is to adjust Agenda to Minutes as the title of the minutes and amend 77.4/18 to read reimbursement of Donation to the Royal British Legion, for the purchase of the silent soldier.

89.2/18 With the correction of the above-mentioned amendment's it was agreed that the minutes of the meeting dated 17th October 2018 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr S Edwards and seconded by Cllr W Blaze.

90/18 Matters Arising

77.4/18 Thanks were given to Cllr J Edwards for all his work, time and support in getting the celebrations for remembrance 10 November 2018 in place.

77.2/18 resolved, no ongoing issues.

77.7/18 Cllr J Edwards, Cllr J Rosier and the clerk attended a meeting with WCBC to go through bus routes in Gwynfryn. The WCBC was in receipt of the footfall of passengers utilising the bus to Gwynfryn when D Jones was in operation, with no subsidised service in existence this information shows that as the route is not commercially viable, and WCBC are unable to offer any form of subsidy. There is no likelihood of a service being reinstated. Other suggestions were proposed by WCBC i.e. volunteers coming together to offer a service either by car sharing or a community initiative. The Clerk is contacting AVOW for possibilities, they may have some volunteers able to offer something. Clerk awaiting a date for a meeting.

Proposed by Cllr J Savin, as he is on the board of Governors that he contacts the school to advise them of the available taxi service from Gwynfryn to Minera or Bwlchwyn School. It was seconded by Cllr J Marsh.

78.3/18 The blocked drains on Vicarage Hill were discussed further, Cllr D Kelly to ask for this area to be looked at. The fencing and hedgerows across the ward were conversed in further detail as to where the problems were within the ward.

91/18 Police Report

91.1/18 There was a notable difference in being able to read the report. Clerk is to thank the PCSO's for overseeing the changes to the report and to offer an invitation to the PCSO to attend a meeting at any time in the future.

91.2/18 A discussion ensued about the crime issues other areas are experiencing that fortunately Minera is not.

92/18 Chairs Report (Appended to Minutes)

92.1/18 Cllr D Kelly has completed some repairs to the bench by the village bakery. Cllr D Kelly and a handyman have assessed the benches and deem them to be repairable. A dialogue ensued in relation to the benches, locations, and the ability to repair. The relocation of some of these benches would become an issue, as they would need approval from the highways department.

92.2/18 This lead on to the agenda item of a Lengths man. The community council requested the post would be described as an Odd Job Person as this better describes what would be required of the role.

92.3/18 Debate ensued in relation to how an Odd Job Person would work, how the payment of the services would be completed. It was confirmed that the clerk would receive an invoice. The work would need to be quality controlled by council members and possibly advertised to show what work has been completed, before and after.

92.4/18 The community council would require a copy of the insurance certificate to ensure they have the correct level of cover. The clerk is to check the level of insurance cover required.

92.5/18 The work should be completed to the assets held by the community council and should not infringe on the work that is completed by WCBC.

92.6/18 If insurance documents are correct the community council wish to utilise this contractor to complete any requirements we may have. Proposed by Cllr W Blaze and seconded by Cllr J Marsh.

92.7/18 The reports of fly tipping at Minera Hall were resolved quickly.

92.8/18 Dave Kelly advised how the information from the survey on unadopted roads may be used. A number of the unadopted roads in the ward were debated.

92.9/18 The area around Min Y Grug has been deemed to be dark, the chair is to look into further.

92.10/18 The streetlight by the chalet, on the A525, there is a tree causing a shadow/dark spot on the road.

92.11/18 The light between the Old School house, Ellison and Talwrn Glas. Has also been reported the Street Light working group to look into them further. Proposed by Cllr H Field and seconded by Cllr D Kelly.

92.12/18 The clerk to draft a letter of thanks to the police on behalf of the community council for their assistance and presence on the 10th November 2018, proposed by Cllr S Edwards and seconded by Cllr H Field.

92.13/18 Additional keys cut are to be cut for the newly installed bollard, to be issued to the WCBC maintenance team.

93/18 WCBC Report

93.1/18 Cllr D Kelly offered more information on the Boundaries review, how WCBC are preparing a response. There is no planned change to Minera and Coedpoeth. But changes to Brymbo and Gwenfro. Cllr D Kelly will advise when the community council will be affected. As it not applicable to Minera as yet.

93.2/18 All other matters on the WCBC report have been covered in other areas of the agenda.

94/18 Correspondence

94.1/18 The WCBC had sent a letter regarding School Crossing Patrol Annual Contribution April 2019- March 2020, the community council will decide this in the Precept, Agenda Item.

94.2/18 The e mail from the PCSO re: Stats Report in reply to our e mail asking for clarification on the monthly stats report, the improvements he made were appreciated.

94.3/18 The e mail from WCBC re: As you are aware the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales are currently conducting a review of Electoral Arrangements for the Wrexham County Borough. The County Borough Council is preparing its' response to the initial consultation, which ends on 7 January 2019. The Council's response will be approved at the next Council meeting on 12 December 2018. This had been explained by Cllr D Kelly in his report.

94.4/18 The e mail from WCBC re FW: Penderfyniadau Anodd 2019-20 - Digwyddiad Ymgynghori / Difficult Decisions 2019-20 - Consultation Event: In addition to the survey we will be holding a consultation event at the Guildhall for members of the public, and other invited representatives on Wednesday 28th November 2018 commencing at 5.30pm. The event will consist of a presentation of the Council's budget proposals for 2019-20, along with a chance for you to discuss the proposals with Lead Members. The chair expressed an interest to attend. The clerk to reserve his place.

94.5/18 A letter from NWWT, Iwan Edwards re Green spaces initiative was received by the chair, this could be applied to the Old football pitch to secure allotments/nature reserve to protect it from development, as this is not a Minera Community Council asset. A tentative approach is required, is there a possibility to appraise the Gors and Berwig quarries instead? The chair to arrange a meeting with him to discuss further.

95/18 Grants and Donations

95.1/18 A request from Support the Armed Forces Community Armed forces. The Community council agree with the covenant in principle but wish to seek further clarification on how the community council could assist.

95.2/18 The WCBC re: information from Sue Wyn Jones, Digital, Brand & Communications Lead, Wrexham County Borough Council. The clerk had put the requirements for grant application to Cllr J Rosier. The community council have the criteria covered already.

96/18 Financial Matters

96.1/18 The clerk is to make some minor amendments to the financial statement.

96.2/18 The monthly financial statement for November 2018 was approved. Proposed by Cllr J Marsh and seconded by Cllr W Blaze.

96.3/18 The items for payment on the financial statement for November 2018 which totals £6,385.37 was approved. Proposed by Cllr H Field and seconded by Cllr W Blaze.**97/18 Planning Applications**

97.1/18 P/2018 /0926 Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Single-Storey Side Extension and Dormers to Main Roof, Bryn Foty Ffordd Isaf Gwynfryn Wrexham. The community Council believed this development would be in keeping with the surrounding areas.

97.2/18 P/2018 /0953 Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Replacement Front Conservatory Extension, Talwrn Glas Ffordd Yr Ysgol Gwynfryn Wrexham. This is to be replaced on a like for like basis just different materials, therefore the community council have no issues with this development.

98/18 Precept

98.1/18 Cllr H Field talked through the precept.

98.2/18 The description of Lengths man is to be changed to assets management.

98.3/18 The Street Crossing patrol rate has increased in line with NALC and WCBC pay structure, the Minera Community council agreed to continue with this SLA.

98.4/18 The precept which was circulated by Cllr H Field on the evening was proposed by Cllr D Kelly and seconded by Cllr J marsh.

98.5/18 The community council wished to thank Cllr H Field for her time and effort in preparing the information on the precept for the council.

99/18 Location and date of December Meeting.

99.1/18 The Tyn Y Capel is busy throughout December. The council was asked if we should reconvene a community council meeting for December 2018. It was decided as December is a short working month and that the location of a December meeting would be the council meeting outside of the ward, it was decided to waive the December meeting and resume in January 2019.

Meeting Adjourned 22.03