

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNEDD YSCEIFGIOG

Minutes of the meeting held 20th November, 2017 at Ysceifiog Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Councillor A. Parsley – Chairman

Councillor J. Davies

Councillor N.M. Davies

Councillor P.R. Griffiths

Councillor T. Jones

Councillor B. McLaren

Councillor A. Rowlands

Councillor D. Williams

Councillor W. Williams

APOLOGISE FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor I. Kendrick

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council

75/17 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Councillor T. Jones declared an interest in item 10.B of the agenda – application for financial assistance – Ysceifiog Cenotaph.

76/17 MINUTES.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held 16th October, 2017 were approved as a correct record.

77/17 STREETSCENE SERVICES.

Members reported the following issues: _

Dog Fouling Footpaths in Lixwm-

That a letter be sent to the Enforcement Officer, Flintshire County Council requesting that a survey be conducted to ensure adequate and appropriate signage is in place.

Ffordd Gledlom, Lixwm –

Waste Recycling collections being persistently missed from properties:-
That a letter be sent to Streetscene Services.

Wheeler Hill, Lixwm –

Pot hole repairs required near Bryn Teg and roadside verges require de-littering.
That a letter be sent to Streetscene Services.

78/17 PROPOSED DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER – TRACK FROM FFORDD GLEDLOM TO FFYNNON-Y-CYFF, LIXWM.

The Clerk reported that as instructed letters had been sent to the Chief Executive, Flintshire County Council, Mr. D. Hanson M.P. and Ms H. Blythyn, at the time of the meeting no response had been received.

79/17 REINSTATEMENT OF PUBLIC BUS STOP ADJACENT TO THE CROWN INN, LIXWM.

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from The Transportation Officer, Flintshire County Council advising that a site survey would be undertaken to ensure the proposed location for the bus stop complied with the current highway safety criteria.

The Clerk further advised that he had attended a site meeting with Highway Transportation Officers and that it had been agreed that the proposed location complied with the criteria and that instruction would be issued for the erection of the bus stop sign post.

Members were very pleased to learn that agreement had been approved.

80/17 TELEPHONE KIOSK YSCEIFIOG – RESTORATION PROJECT.

Councillor D. Williams reported that she and local residents were in the process of undertaking some repairs to the kiosk. The door had been removed and was in the process of being restored. Given the time of year it had been agreed to defer the repainting of the kiosk until the spring when the weather conditions improve.

The Clerk confirmed that he had obtained the paint and that it had been delivered to Councillor D. Williams.

81/17 COMMUNITY POLICING.

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting C.P.S.O. Laura Williams who provided an update on community policing issues. Laura also distributed information on a number of awareness companies being promoted by North Wales Police.

Members reported that there had been a recent incident in Lixwm resulting in a local resident being threatened. Police had investigated the matter but the resident that had been threatened had to date not been interviewed by North Wales Police. Laura agreed to report this matter back to her Manager.

The Chairman thanked Laura for her attendance.

82/17 INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION FOR WALES – ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19.

The Clerk had provided a copy of the above report for member's consideration. Section 13 of the report entitled – Payment to Members of Community and Town Councils.

Members noted that the Panel is proposing to form groups of Community and Town Councils based upon income and expenditure. Based on the information the Council would fall into Group C as outlined in Table 7 of the report.

Members also noted that Section 13.10 outlines proposed modifications to payments towards costs and expenses to be paid to Councillors and that councils will be required to make this provision within their budgets.

RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent enquiring that should all members of the Council decline to accept expenses allowances would the Council still have to provide the budget for this expenditure each year.

83/17 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

- A) Pre-Deposit Proposals Public Consultation (Preferred Strategy) Flintshire Local Development Plan.
Notice of Consultation Period.
- B) One Voice Wales – Notice of meeting to be held 6th December, 2017.
- C) West Flintshire Town & Community Councils – Working Group.
The Clerk of Holywell Town Council had sent a copy of the minutes of the meeting held 24th October, 2017.
Members agreed that a representative from the Council would attend the next meeting to be held in January, 2018.

84/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

- A) 057641 – Pant-Y-Sais Farm, Babell.
Erection of a Dutch Barn.
- B) 057712 – Miriel-Y-Bwlch, Rhes-Y-Cae.
Erection of extension to side dwelling.

RESOLVED:

That the Council has no objections to the above applications.

85/17 FORMA BAPTIST CHAPEL, LIXWM.

Councillor W. Williams reported that Notice had been given for the relocation of the existing grave stones to form a garden of rest.
Councillor Williams enquired if planning consent would be required for this proposal.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk would raise this with the Planning Authority.

86/17 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

- A) Marie Curie – That a grant of £75.00 was approved.
- B) Cenotaph Ysceifiog Refurbishment – That the Council agreed to support the application but agreed to defer the amount of funding until the schemes other funding applications had been considered.

87/17 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT OCTOBER 2017.

The Clerk presented the budget monitoring report setting out the approved budget the actual expenditure and income up to October this year and probable yearend total expenditure.

Members enquired as to why the Council's PAYE expenditure had increased. The Clerk advised that this was due to H.M. Revenue and Customs making adjustments to the Clerk's tax demand due to his total earnings for the year in all employments. The Clerk further advised that whilst the PAYE budget had increased the Clerk's salary budget had decreased to reflect this change.

Members also enquired as to why the expenditure for Section 137 Grants had increased from £600 to £1,960. He advised that this expenditure had been approved by the Council, the overspend being met from the Council's reserves. The Clerk further advised that he would present a further report for the expenditure of the grants at the January meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED:

That the Report be received.

88/17 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved:-

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| 1001) Ysceifiog Village Hall (L.G.A.1972s137) | O.A.P's Xmas Lunch | £200.00 |
| 1002) The Crown Inn (L.G.A.1972s137) | O.A.P's Xmas Lunch | £200.00 |
| 1003) Royal British Legion (L.G.A.1972s137) | Grant | £60.00 |
| 1004) Deeco Lighting (P.C.A.1957s3) | LED Upgrades | £5688.00 |
| 1005) A. Roberts (L.G.A.1972s112,131) | Clerk's salary | £342.00 |
| 1006) H.M. Revenue & Customs (L.G.A.1972s112) | P.A.Y.E. | £228.00 |
| 1007) Scottish Power (P.C.A.1957s3) | Energy Charges | £253.16 |
| 1008) Flintshire County Council (L.G.A.1972s111) | Supply of Poppies | £3.75 |
| 1009) A. Roberts (L.G.A.1972s214) | Supply of paint for kiosk | £72.47 |

89/17 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 9.10pm.

CHAIRMAN
