

LLANASA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting of the Llanasa Community Council held on Tuesday 18th May 2021, at Trelogan Community Centre.

PRESENT: Councillor J Williams (Chairman)
Councillors: Mrs G Fisher
D Brown
Mrs J Roberts
G Banks
M Williams
Mrs E Harvey
Mrs D Banks
I Luke
R McGlory
Mrs J Hughes
J Larner
Together with the Clerk and Councillor T Roberts.

1.) **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies were received from Councillor Ms Charlton-Fleming. The outgoing Chairman welcomed everyone to our first face-to-face meeting for over twelve months.

2.) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**
None were declared at this time.

3.) **TO ELECT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2021/22.**
Councillor D Brown was proposed as Chairman of the Council for 2021/22.
Agreed Unanimously.

4.) TO ELECT THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2021/22.

Councillor G Banks proposed, seconded by Mrs Roberts, that Councillor Mrs Harvey be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2021/22.

Agreed Unanimously.

5.) TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

The present Members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee were confirmed as the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Mrs D Banks, Ms S Braun, Mrs J Roberts and I Luke.

It was proposed that the existing Members should remain in post, and it was agreed that no further Members were required at this time.

Agreed Unanimously.

6.) TO DETERMINE THE CHAIRMAN'S ALLOWANCE FOR 2021/22.

The present level of the Chairman's Allowance is £680. It was proposed that this should remain at this level at this time.

Agreed Unanimously.

7.) TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON THE 20TH APRIL 2021.

Copies of the minutes of the virtual meeting of the 20th April 2021 had been circulated with the meeting papers.

Councillor Brown proposed, seconded by Councillor Mrs Fisher, that the minutes be accepted as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

8.) TO CONSIDER THE RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021.

Copies of the Receipts & Payments accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021 had been circulated with the meeting papers. The Clerk advised Members that the balance of the Council's reserves had increased by approximately 40% since 2019. Councillors discussed the increase in reserves with suggestions we could reduce the balance by additional expenditure for the Community during forthcoming years, and a reduction of the future Precept. This would be further discussed when setting the Precept for 2022/23 later in the year. Following discussions, Members agreed to accept the statements, and the Chairman and Finance Officer signed the document.

9.) TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF AURA LEISURE FOR CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA IMPROVEMENTS IN THE MATCH FUNDING SCHEME.

Councillors discussed the recommendations of Aura Leisure for improvements to Gronant Skate Park via the Match Funding Scheme during 2021/22. Members agreed unanimously that the Council would support the scheme and agreed to the recommendations provided. Councillor Brown proposed,

seconded by Councillor Mrs Hughes, to increase the level of funding on an exceptional basis to £10000 for the current year.

Members then discussed the need for a children's park in the village of Talacre. Councillor Mrs Harvey advised Councillors that there were now 35 children within the village, without any play facilities. Councillor G Banks advised that any new project would need to be carried on under the County Council's Capital Project policy.

10.) TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

062781 Erection of a Fence on top of a Boundary Wall at The Old Barn, 1 Ty Newydd Court, Llanasa

062757 Retrospective application for 1 holiday let cabin on the land adjacent to Trelogan Isaf Farm including the change of use of the land at Trelogan Isaf Farm, Trelogan

062786 Erection of a jump tower and pop up bar at Presthaven Beach Resort, Gronant

062565 Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval (057664) at proposed new dwelling adjacent to Seaward, Llanasa Road, Gronant

062376 Proposed window replacement from single glazing to double glazed Upvc at Epworth Villa, Mornant Avenue, Ffynnongroyw

Councillors discussed the process were the Community Council was invited to comment on planning applications submitted to the County Council. It was the opinion of the Members that comments and objections were not generally considered by the County's Planning Department when making decisions. It was agreed that we would write to the Head of the Planning Department for some clarification of the process.

11.) ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED

That the accounts, as submitted, be approved for payment.

Councillors discussed two of the payments included for payment, BNP Paribas and Bagillt Web Design. The Clerk advised that the payment to BNP Paribas was in respect of the Council's agreement to purchase a printer / scanner / copier. Councillor G Banks expressed his opinion that the annual cost of the printer should be reviewed and a cheaper model could be purchased. In addition, Councillor G Banks expressed his opinion that we should be looking at use of technology for circulation of our meeting papers and other documents. Other Councillors confirmed they would rather have meeting papers in paper form. It was agreed that we would look into this matter for future discussion.

The Clerk advised Members that the payment to Bagillt Web Design was in respect of the audit of the Council's website, in respect of Website Accessibility Regulations.

12.) CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT

As per finance list - £2783.34

13.) PETTY CASH

As per Cash-book - £1.53

14.) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Mrs Harvey advised Members of the situation regarding the car-parks in the village of Talacre. These were supposed to be opened at weekends, bank holidays and school holidays but are presently being opened on a daily basis, resulting in excessive amounts of litter being left by visitors. It was suggested contact be made with Ruth Cartwright, the Car-parks Manager for Flintshire County Council.

Councillor Luke advised Members the traffic lights at the bottom of Llinegr Hill were not operating correctly, which could result in an accident.

Councillor G Banks advised Members that the waste bins in the parks were too small to cope with the amounts of litter. Councillor Banks asked whether the Community Council would contribute towards the costs of replacing the existing bins with larger. Councillors asked how many replacement bins would be required as there were 9 parks within the community.

Councillor Mrs Hughes advised Members that the land next to Casa Mia on Llanasa Road, Gronant was very overgrown, and needed cutting back as a matter of urgency. This matter had been reported to Street-scene but nothing appeared to have been done. Members advised Councillor Mrs Hughes that if the land was privately owned, Flintshire County Council would not get involved as it was the responsibility of the owner. It was suggested that we invite Mr Nigel Seaburg of Street-scene to our next meeting when this matter could be discussed.

Councillor M Williams advised Members that the bins at Trelogan Community Centre were not being emptied on a regular basis, and asked whether the black bin could be collected on a weekly basis. Councillors suggested that the centre should ask Street-scene for another bin.

Councillor Mrs Roberts asked who was responsible for the sponsorship signs on the Talacre roundabout. It was believed that the County Council had arranged for this.

The Clerk advised Members of an email he had received from Hynet North West who had a proposal for a carbon dioxide (CO2) pipeline to take CO2 emissions from the Ince and Stanlow areas of Cheshire to be stored underground in the Liverpool bay. A consultation briefing was being held virtually with all Town & Community Councils along the route on the 8th June between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. The Clerk would forward the email to Councillors who could arrange access to the briefing.

Councillor Luke asked whether the venues for future meetings had been decided, and Councillors discussed and confirmed the following venues and dates;

June	-	Talacre Community Centre
July	-	Llanasa Village Hall
September	-	Ffynngroyw Community Centre
October	-	Gronant Institute
November	-	Trelogan Community Centre

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting.

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Chairman