

## LLANASA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting of the Llanasa Community Council held on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022, at Ysgol Bryn Garth, Penyffordd

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs E Harvey (Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs D Banks

J Williams

G Banks

Mrs K J Hughes

Mrs G Fisher

M Williams

J Larner

I Luke

Together with the Clerk.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, those present held a minute's silence in recognition of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

### **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Three members of the public attended the meeting to express their objections to Planning Application 000434 – Change of use of existing property to holiday accommodation for a period of 185 days per calendar year and to allow residential use for the remainder of the year at Arosfa, Axton. The residents of Axton reported that the property, Arosfa, had been advertised as a 'hen and stag' party house since 2019. Since then, there had been increased traffic, incidents of anti-social behaviour and the Police had been called out to incidents on a number of occasions. The residents had reported the incidents to Rob Roberts, MP and also made contact with the Enforcement department of Flintshire County Council.

Despite the application stating the use would be restricted to 185 days per annum, the property had been let throughout the year. The residents reported that the property owner had made demands for money to fund the re-surfacing of the lane despite no prior agreement having been made. The residents had received abuse from the owner, and hedges had been cut back without due care for bird life.

Ms Lisa Hughes of Trelogan Community Association attended the meeting to ask about street-lighting for the car-park at the Community Centre. In addition, there had been talk of a replacement noticeboard for the village. Council agreed to look into both these matters.

1.) **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies were received prior to the meeting from Councillor Mrs G Maddison, Councillor Mrs Roberts and Councillor Brown. Apologies were received during the meeting from Councillor Ms Braun and Councillor Ms Charlton-Fleming.

2.) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None declared at this time.

3.) **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETINGS HELD ON THE 21ST JUNE 2022 AND 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022.**

Copies of the minutes of the Ordinary Meetings held on the 21st June 2022 and the 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 had been circulated with the meeting papers.

Councillors agreed unanimously that the minutes be approved, and signed by the Chairman.

4.) **MATTERS ARISING**

Councillor G Banks reported that the planning application for 21 dwellings on Rhewl Fawr Road, Penyffordd had been referred to the Planning Committee for determination. There had been some confusion regarding this application as a separate application for 8 dwellings on the same site had been submitted to the County Council.

Councillor J Williams reported that many of the issues advised to Nigel Seaburg did not appear to have been resolved. In particular, the white / yellow lines in Talacre had not been re-painted, the small triangle of land at the crossroads in Trelogan had not had the grass cut, and the costings for the school signs had not been received. Councillors requested that Mr Seaburg be invited to the October meeting. The Clerk would issue the invitation.

Councillors requested that the Police be invited to the October meeting. The Clerk would issue the invitation.

Councillor Luke suggested a note should be made within the minutes that the Police had been invited to each meeting but had not attended. **Agreed Unanimously.**

5.) **TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY FLINTSHIRE CC.**

**000434** Change of use of existing property to holiday accommodation for a period of 185 days per calendar year and to allow residential use for the remainder of the year at Arosfa, Axton

Residents of Axton had attended the meeting and expressed their concerns over this application, and the Council agreed to submit objections on their behalf.

**000435** To the installation of a biomass boiler (199kw) and flue in wood store outbuilding at Gyrn Castle, Llanasa

**No Objections**

**000437** To replacement of roof on original dwelling at Haulfryn, Rhewl Fawr Road, Penyffordd

**No Objections**

**6.) TO CONSIDER THE REFURBISHMENT OR REPLACEMENT OF BENCHES**

The Clerk had circulated details of benches that are the responsibility of the Community Council for Councillors consideration, together with a report on the condition of each bench. Councillor J Williams corrected the Clerk in that the two benches in Gronant are those situated in Aunty May's Garden, and not those at the entrance to the Gronant Inn public house.

Following discussion, Councillors agreed that the last maintenance of the benches had been carried out prior to the Covid lockdown restrictions, and we should instigate an immediate schedule to review each bench as to its condition and to decide whether it can be refurbished or replaced. The Clerk would contact Mr Arfon Williams-Cooke to carry out the inspections.

**7.) ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED

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

**8.) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

As per finance list - £8305.70.

The Clerk advised Members that the schedule of payments for the month included an estimate of the costs for the installation of the defibrillator in Gwespyr, as the invoice had not been received from the contractors. The schedule would be amended when the actual invoice was received.

The Clerk also advised members that the payment in respect of his salary for the month appeared higher than normal, as there were expenses included in respect of Books of Condolences. The salary payment was unchanged.

9.) **TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF MODEL FINANCIAL REGULATIONS.**

The Clerk had circulated copies of the Model NALC / One Voice Wales Model Financial Regulations to Councillors for their consideration. The Clerk advised members there were items within the regulations that would be specific for Llanasa Community Council, for example the level at which the Council should require a tender process for the supply of goods or services, and the levels of authority given to individual payments.

The Clerk would review the model regulations and report back to Members with a completed set of documents for approval.

10.) **PETTY CASH**

As per Cash-book - £1.53 (Not being used at this time.)

11.) **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Clerk had obtained a sample of plastic that could be used to complete the numbering exercise of the street-lights throughout the area. Councillors examined the sample but felt it may not be suitable as it may crack and break during the colder winter months. Councillor G Banks agreed to source a suitable alternative.

Councillor Mrs Hughes reported on a serious parking problem on Tan y Marian Close, Gronant, when a resident of the area had recently been hit by a vehicle. Councillor G Banks, the North Wales Police and members of the Flintshire County Council Highways Enforcement department had been informed of the problem of vehicles obstructing the roads. Councillor J Williams reported that refuse vehicles were unable to get into the road, and residents had to bring their bins to the end of the close for collection.

Councillors agreed that the increase in recent years of the number of vehicles per household had resulted in a major problem for residents' parking within the village.

Councillor J Williams reported that the Public Right of Way from the Bells Public House to Abbey Drive had become overgrown and was now inaccessible. The Clerk would report the matter to Street-scene.

Councillor Mrs Harvey asked whether a 'slow' sign could be erected at the bottom of the bridge entering Talacre, as this was a dangerous corner.

Councillor Mrs Fisher asked whether any Members had any knowledge of the 'Single Occupancy' discount on Council Tax being removed.

The Clerk advised Members that Flintshire County Council was carrying out an exercise for Code of Conduct training for any Councillors that had missed the session held earlier in the year. The Clerk advised that Councillor Mrs D Banks and Councillor Lerner should attend the training when it was held.

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

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Chairman