

## **BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary meeting of the BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in YSGOL GLAN ABER, Bagillt on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2007.

**PRESENT : Councillor M.A. Reece (Chairman)**

**COUNCILLORS** : R.K. Jones, Mrs. S.L. Jones, C.P. Owens, C.R. Williams, Mrs. D.J. Williams and J. Williams.

**APOLOGIES** : Councillors R. Davies, B.T. Doleman, A. Griffiths. Mrs. D. Jones, S.M. Manfredi, J. Ovens and C. Williams.

**IN ATTENDANCE** : Mr. G. Roberts (Clerk).

### **60. COUNCILLOR MRS. D. JONES**

The Chairman referred to the recent death of the husband of Councillor Mrs. D. Jones and indicated that a letter of condolence had been forwarded to her on behalf of the Council. At the request of the Chairman Members stood in silent tribute to his memory.

### **61. PUBLIC INQUIRY ITEM**

The Clerk reminded Members that this was the first meeting whereby the new procedure for a Public Inquiry time at the commencement of each Ordinary meeting would apply for a trial period of six months. Any question or statement made by a member of the public present had to relate to an item on the agenda for the meeting and that there was a maximum time period of five minutes for this issue, which could be increased to ten minutes at the discretion of the Chairman. There were four members of the public present, each having received a copy of the procedure, and the Chairman then gave them the opportunity to speak. Two members of the public raised issues, the first related to agenda item No. 10 and was in support of the application made for financial assistance from the Bagillt Bowling Club, drawing attention to increased usage of the facilities since the green had re-opened. In addition, reference was made to concerns from residents at nearby Beechcroft, in particular in relation to the siting of the flagpole, and to the steps that had been taken in an endeavour to resolve the matter.

The second issue related to agenda item No. 6 and the planning application submitted for Dollar Park, Holywell Road, as a traveller's site. Referring to photographs circulated at the meeting, reference was made to the changes at the entrance to the site and the fact that there was now another party involved in relation to the running of the facility. There had been recent problems with barking dogs from the site, which had been reported to the relevant Authorities, and Members were advised that this information had already been passed to

County Councillors J. Ovens and R. Baker and relevant Flintshire Officers.

The Chairman reminded Members that the information given during this item could be referred to when the relevant agenda item was being discussed.

## **62. POLICING MATTERS**

It was noted that PC 2531, Colin Oare, had been appointed Community Beat Manager for Bagillt. The Clerk indicated he was unable to confirm as to when the appointment applied. He had forwarded a note and a copy of the agenda for today's meeting to the new CBM by way of the Flint Police Station but at the moment was unable to give any information concerning a contact telephone number for the new Officer.

## **63 MINUTES**

### **Ordinary Meeting - 6<sup>th</sup> July 2007**

The following comments were made on the minutes.

#### **a. Minute No. 34(c) – Dog Fouling**

Councillor Mrs D.J. Williams indicated that dog fouling in the area referred to in this minute was as bad as ever, whilst Councillor R.K. Jones made reference to the issue of a dog bin, and that it had not been possible as yet to agree an appropriate site with local residents. In future such sites would have to come from the Community Council, as would be referred to in an item later on in the agenda.

#### **b. Minute No. 37 – Reports by Representatives – Bagillt Heritage Society**

Councillor C.P. Owens indicated that the gates, fencing and new plinth had been ordered and, together with the lighting scheme, it was hoped that all would be in place by Remembrance Sunday in November.

#### **c. Minute No. 47 - Community Council Website**

Councillor C.P. Owens indicated that the website was up and running and to date contained minutes for the preceding twelve months and contact details and would in due course contain a copy of the Community Newsletter, as well as a facility for reporting lighting faults, which could then be passed on to Flintshire County Council. In addition, he had set up e-mail addresses for those Members who had indicated they wished to have the facility.

**d. Minute No. 49(a) – Foresters Hall, High Street**

Councillor R.K. Jones referred to a discussion on site with the relevant Flintshire Officer and to the delay in sorting out the pointing works on this building and he had now been given an assurance that it would be effective within 3-4 weeks.

**e. Minute No. 49(c) – Radio Antennae – A548 Dual Carriageway – Blossoms**

In reply to Councillor Mrs. S.L. Jones, the Clerk advised that he had been unable to trace any planning application in relation to this matter, both from his own records and by using the Flintshire Planning website and had advised Councillor Mrs D.J. Williams accordingly. Councillor R.K. Jones made reference to the fact that such applications were in a different category for planning purposes and that it would be useful for future reference by Members if the Clerk were to obtain a copy of the relevant Regulations.

**RESOLVED :**

That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**Special Meeting - 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2007**

The following comments were made on the minutes.

**a. Minute No. 53 - Notice Board, Car Park, High Street**

The Clerk advised the meeting that he had been unable to make progress with the Directorate of Community and Housing Services concerning the issuing of the appropriate Licence Agreement and had passed on copy correspondence to Councillor R.K. Jones who would chase the matter up on behalf of the Community Council.

**b. Minute No. 57 - Hanging Baskets**

Reference was made to the fact that three of the eight hanging baskets were now missing due to two different incidents. The first incident is thought to be theft involving two of the baskets, with the other being a case of vandalism. In relation to the application for sponsorship from E.ON Power for a water bowser, there had to date been no reply.

**c. Minute No. 59(c) – Foresters Hall – Adjacent Land**

The Chairman advised the meeting that he had received paperwork from Councillor J. Ovens, who was now away on holiday, and after considering the content felt that it was appropriate to only read out to the meeting one particular aspect, with the remainder to await the return of the Member who could then comment on them accordingly. The information related to a site meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> August, at which both County Councillors had been present, together with Member and Officer representatives from that Authority. In particular, reference had been made to the withdrawal of an outline planning application for a retail facility and to the fact that proximity to the listed building adjacent to the site meant that detailed planning permission would be required to progress further. At the site meeting, Councillor J. Ovens had expressed an objection to the idea of retail use on the site and suggested a play area or open space would be more beneficial. The appropriate Officer had expressed the view that retailers were still interested in the plot, but would await a clear idea as to what was required for the site. On this latter aspect Councillor R.K. Jones made reference to particular planning issues and that it would be a commercial decision as to whether a detailed application would be submitted now that the new Costcutter shop premises had opened. He was of the view that the village needed further retail facilities given the housing developments that were taking place and was supported by the Chairman and Councillor J. Williams. Councillor J. Williams made reference to the thriving shop parade in Greenfield and that such a facility would be a welcome asset to the community if it were possible. He was advised it would be a commercial decision for private enterprise to pursue. Given that the Council had previously supported the issue of retail development on the site, Councillor C.P. Owens was of the view that the Council should reiterate this decision and this was accordingly agreed.

**RESOLVED :**

That the minutes of the Special meeting of the Council held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**64. UNAUTHORISED USE OF LAND OFF HOLYWELL ROAD (A5026) BY TRAVELLERS – PLANNING APPLICATION 043412**

The Clerk advised the meeting that the planning application was expected to be determined by their Planning Committee on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2007. Members of the public were entitled to attend the meeting and also receive a copy of the agenda up to three clear days before the meeting was held.

Reference was made by Councillor R.K. Jones to the information given at the commencement of the meeting by a local resident concerning the changes in

entrance arrangements and the running of the site. Reference was made by Councillor Mrs. S.L. Jones to the fact that there were instances of rubbish being strewn on the nearby highway and the problems caused by youngsters throwing items at cars from the nearby woods.

## **65. REPORTS BY REPRESENTATIVES**

### **a. One Voice Wales – Wrexham/Flintshire Area Committee – Planning Training**

The Clerk indicated that he had attended this meeting and training, held on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2007. The training was given by Planning Aid Wales and related to the role of the Community Council on planning issues. As Councillor C. Williams had unfortunately been unable to attend, the Clerk had passed on copies of the information circulated at the meeting, which included a questionnaire on future training needs, with two copies being completed from both the Members' and Clerk's aspect.

### **b. Flood Alleviation**

Councillor R.K. Jones made reference to a recent meeting held with representatives of the Environment Agency concerning flood alleviation in the eastern part of the village, and in particular from Wern Avenue down to the High Street by The Blossoms and across to the dual carriageway, for which funding had now been made available. He gave details of what was intended in the scheme and that some disruption would be unavoidable, and it was hoped that the intended start date would be by January at the latest. In addition to giving information on the culvert situation, he also indicated that a section of the area was by open ditchway, and whilst it may be better if this was culverted, it would require the approval of the Environment Agency as their normal standard was to retain such areas. When this scheme was complete it would mean that both the centre and eastern part of Bagillt would be completed and it was pleasing to note that as far as the centre was concerned there had been no problems since the major drainage works had been undertaken.

The area that remained was in the western part of the village at New Brighton Road, but progress on this scheme was awaiting funding from the Welsh Assembly Government.

The Chairman made reference to the flooding problems which had occurred at the White Horse public house area and he was advised by Councillor R.K. Jones that this was a brick built culvert, which in the end had precluded the development on the former lead works area proceeding due to the costs involved.

## 66. PLANNING

### a. Recess Period

| No.    | Location                      | Detail                    |
|--------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 043720 | Tan y Buarth<br>Holywell Road | Erect two-car garage.     |
| 043833 | 2 Park Road                   | Extension and alterations |

It was noted that both applications had been supported.

### b. Applications

| No.    | Location                                      | Detail                                 |
|--------|---|--|
| 043840 | Land adj. 24-26 Wern<br>Avenue                | Outline – residential development.     |
| 043934 | Land adj. to Lansdowne<br>Sandy Lane          | Outline – 4 detached dwellings.        |
| 043858 | Land adj. Bettisfield<br>Colliery, Coats Road | Outline – erection of industrial units |

### RESOLVED :

1. That in relation to application 043840, it be neither supported nor objected to, as more information was required in relation to what was intended.
2. That in respect of application 043494, it be neither supported nor objected to, but that concerns be raised regarding the matter of vehicular access to the site given the width of the highway.
3. That with regard to application 043858, it be objected to on the grounds of visual amenity, traffic generation/access on to the A548 dual carriageway, and noise arising from the building of industrial units on this site.

## 67. ACCOUNTS

### a. Recess

#### RESOLVED :

That the payment of the following accounts be endorsed.

| Name                  | £      | Cheque No. | Expenditure Powers             |
|-----------------------|--------|------------|--------------------------------|
| UHK Hacker Young      | 334.88 | 101119     | Loc.Govt. Finance Act 1982     |
| DWR Cymru/Welsh Water | 172.26 | 101123     | Loc.Govt. (MP) Act 1976 (S.19) |

### b. For Payment

#### RESOLVED

That the following accounts be paid.

| Name                 | £      | Cheque No. | Expenditure Powers         |
|----------------------|--------|------------|----------------------------|
| Mr. G. Roberts       | 755.30 | 101124     | Loc.Govt. Act 1972 (S.112) |
| HM Revenue & Customs | 209.51 | 101125     | Loc.Govt. Act 1972 (S.112) |
| LITE Ltd.            | 505.55 | 101126     | Loc.Govt. Act 1972 (S.144) |

## 68. DONATIONS

The meeting considered seven applications which had been received, details of six having been previously circulated, with a further one reported to the meeting.

#### RESOLVED :

1. That in accordance with Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, the following donations be agreed.

Hope House Children's Hospice – £100 (cheque No. 101127)  
Childline Cymru - £100 (cheque No. 101128)  
Bagillt Royal Stars Morris Dancers - £300 – (cheque No. 101129)

**Note :** Councillor J. Williams declared a personal interest in the application from Bagillt Royal Stars, and did not speak or vote thereon.

2. That no donation be made to Cruise (Wrexham/Flintshire), North Wales Superkids and North Wales Memorial Arch Campaign.
3. That in respect of the application for Bagillt Bowling Club, all of the requested grass seed, fertilizer and top dressing, be paid for by the Council, at an estimated cost £597 (excluding VAT), subject to the usual arrangements concerning invoices and certification of goods received.

## **69. RECESS PERIOD**

### **a. Bagillt Heritage Society**

It was noted that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman had authorised that a letter be forwarded to the Bagillt Heritage Society, confirming the Council would make a 10% contribution of the £10,146.00 awarded to them for the War Memorial Improvement Scheme from the Landfill Tax Scheme, as required under the Regulations to enable them to receive the grant.

### **b. Audit of Accounts 2006/07**

Notification had been received of the completion of the external audit and that it was a clean report. In accordance with the Regulations, notice of completion had been displayed at the Branch Library, Post Office and the Notice Boards at the Community Centre and Riverbank, and accordingly confirmed to the external auditor, UHY Hacker Young.

### **c. EMH Scheme, Chester Road, Oakenholt**

A letter had been received from consultants, acting for the applicant for support for an EMH Scheme in Chester Road, Oakenholt. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman agreed to the view taken by Flint Town Council, to have no objection to it being used exclusively as an EMH facility and not a Hospice, but pointing out that it was outside the settlement boundary.

## **70. CLOSURE OF BRANCH SURGERY AT BRON-Y-WERN**

Following on from the Special meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2007, the response received from the Flintshire Local Health Board had been previously circulated to Members for information. This had also been shared with Councillor A. Aldridge and the Delyn MP and AM. Following approaches from other Members, the Chairman and Vice Chairman had agreed to invite the FLHB Chief Executive to attend a Council meeting and the response indicated it would be more helpful for

him and the Chair of the FLHB to meet with 2/3 Council representatives. It was agreed that Councillors R.K. Jones, J. Owens and the Chairman should represent the Council. Unfortunately, due to circumstances involving all those who were to attend the meeting, it had not been possible to agree a date until Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2007 at Preswylfa, Hendy Road, Mold.

**RESOLVED :**

That the report be noted.

**71. COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**

The meeting considered a draft of the first edition of the Community Newsletter, which had been previously circulated to Members, following initial discussion with Councillors R. Davies, Mrs. D. Jones, C.P. Owens and the Chairman. In relation to the first page, the Clerk made reference to the need to amend the part of the Chairman's comments relating to the two Notice Boards, as the one to be located at the car park High Street was not likely to be erected by the time the first edition of the Newsletter was published. In relation to where copies of the Newsletter were to be available for collection by the public, in addition to those delivered to residences, Councillor R.K. Jones suggested that contact should also be made with the Talbot Stores, which would assist those living in the eastern part of the Village, and that if they so wished they could also be included in the page which indicated shop premises. In relation to shop premises, Councillor R.K. Jones felt that the Chemist shop in the High Street should also be included after noting that information concerning any organisation required their prior approval.

In relation to the page, dealing with focus on a local organisation, the Bagillt Heritage Society, the Clerk indicated that he had received information from Councillor C.P. Owens concerning the improvement scheme at the War Memorial, together with a photograph which was displayed at the meeting. In addition, he had agreed a form of wording with him incorporating part of the existing draft and which when combined with what was on the Society website would be sufficient for filling the page purposes.

With regard to the final page which dealt with the Council website, Council contacts and County Councillors, Councillor R.K. Jones indicated that the information in relation to surgeries by himself and Councillor J. Owens needed to be amended to show that the regular monthly facility did not include August and December.

In relation to the print run for the first edition, the Clerk advised that the quotation received from Delyn Press had not changed from last November, in that it was £144 for the first thousand copies of A5 size black on white, plus £10 per photograph, and then £110 per additional one thousand. He suggested that the print run should be for 2,000 copies which would allow sufficient for one to be

delivered to every residence in the community, if that were achievable, plus ensuring that there were copies available at the venues already referred to in the Newsletter.

**RESOLVED :**

1. That the draft, as submitted, together with amendments suggested by the Clerk and Members, be agreed, with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman being authorised to agree the final proof prior to publication.
2. That the quotation of Delyn Press, as reported by the Clerk be agreed, and that for the first edition two thousand copies be printed.
3. That in relation to delivery of the Newsletters, the Clerk make contact with each Member, after a publication date has been established, to ascertain their availability to assist.

**72. A SHARED COMMUNITY – CONSULTATION ON RELATIONSHIP BUILDING MEASURES AND CHARTERS FOR UNITARY AUTHORITY AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS**

The meeting considered copies of letters received from the Welsh Assembly Government, WLGA and One Voice Wales, copies of which had been previously circulated. A response date to the consultation was 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007, and it was suggested by the Clerk that he prepare a short report for the next meeting to include suggested responses to the consultation questions.

**RESOLVED :**

That the Clerk submit a report to the next meeting of the Council to include suggested responses to the consultation questions.

**73. NEW POWERS UNDER CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005**

The meeting considered a letter received from Flintshire County Council, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members. It advised that the County Council had set up a By-Laws Working Group to consider reviewing those related to the Council's area and in doing so needed to have due regard to provisions of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, which introduced new provisions in relation to the control of litter and dogs. Both provisions enabled Town and Community Councils to assume powers under the Act and the purpose of the letter was to ascertain whether the Council had considered doing so. The letter went on to detail the provisions in relation litter (Part 3) and dogs (Part 6), including the issue of enforcement.

The Clerk made reference to the fact that for any Town and Community Council to consider undertaking such powers, then it would need to have staff available to do so, a view which was shared by Councillor R.K. Jones. The Member also made reference to the fact that at some time in the future it may be possible to link with a neighbouring Town or Community Council to perhaps undertake some other powers by making use of their resources on a shared funding basis.

**RESOLVED :**

That Flintshire County Council be advised that the Council had considered the powers available under the legislation but would not be adopting them.

**74. DOG BINS IN FLINTSHIRE**

The meeting considered a letter received from Flintshire County Council advising of the current procedure and situation concerning the placement of dog bins in Flintshire. When receiving requests for new dog bins the public were advised to contact the relevant Town/Community Council, who were then asked to give consideration as to the exact location for the bin and liaise with nearby residents to ensure that they approved. Once agreement had been made the Town/Community Council were required to officially write to Flintshire County Council for the request to be considered. The procedure was necessary because of the number of bins that had been installed then had to be removed due to complaints from local residents.

There were currently approximately 500 bins in Flintshire and the service was rapidly reaching the maximum capacity that could be dealt with on a weekly basis. Therefore any request received from this point onwards would need to be given careful consideration as they may not be able to comply with the request if there were already other dog bins in the area. It may even be necessary to re-locate bins rather than add extra to the round.

On-going maintenance of dog bins that had been vandalised would still be monitored and repaired, with removal and re-instatements of these bins carried out as and when required. The Town/Community Council was once again requested to write in with any such reports and they would reply direct with timescales for the next schedule of repairs.

**RESOLVED :**

That the letter be noted.

**75. REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES**

The meeting considered a letter received from the Electoral Registration Officer to Flintshire, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members together

with relevant information in relation to the Bagillt area. The introduction of the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places (Parliamentary Elections) Regulations 2006, required each Council to carry out a review of polling districts and polling places on a regular four year cycle, with the first such review having to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2007. In particular, it meant that the review must commence relatively soon so that any changes that may be made can if possible be implemented in time for the publication of the 2008 Electoral Register on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2007. Generally polling places/stations were reviewed before and after each election but it was acknowledged that some polling stations could be improved. It would therefore be helpful if during the review, where concerns were expressed about a particular polling station, that suggestions were made for an alternative venue. The draft proposals did not include any changes which affected the Bagillt area and the details previously circulated to Members advised of the existing polling districts and the allocation of streets to particular polling stations.

**RESOLVED :**

That the Electoral Registration Officer be advised that as far as the Bagillt area was concerned the Council supports the existing arrangements and does therefore not feel it necessary for any changes.

**76. CHRISTMAS LIGHTING 2007**

The Clerk reported that he had reached agreement with the owners of the new Costcutter shop premises for the Christmas lantern to continue to be erected on the front of their premises and they would take this into account when installing the new shop signs.

In relation to the former bakers shop, which was presently empty, contact had been made with the agents who were dealing with the sale of the premises, as the sign indicated that it had been sold. The agents had been made aware of the purpose of the contact and had agreed to forward details concerning contacting the Clerk to the new owners. It was hoped that contact and agreement would be in time to ensure that the display going across the street and the lantern on the front could once again be displayed, which otherwise would mean a significant diminution in the lighting scheme. The current arrangement meant that the time switch and the power supply for display across the street junction also came from the premises even though it was also connected to the Bagillt Arms. In relation to the Bagillt Arms, the Clerk hoped that there would be uninterrupted electricity supply for this year to be sure the lantern remained lit.

The Clerk would be writing to all contacts of all the other premises in relation to the lighting scheme to ensure that they were still willing to continue.

## **RESOLVED :**

That the report of the Clerk in relation to Christmas lighting 2007 be noted and that a further update be given at the next meeting of the Council.

### **77. CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS**

#### **a. Pen y Glyn – Proposed Upgrading**

Further to discussion at the Special meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2007, Members considered further information received from Flintshire County Council, copies of which had been previously circulated. The information related to the nature of the improvement scheme intended, including the total cost of £45,000, the fact that the Authority had, through a Section 106 Agreement received £11,000 to improve children's play facilities at this site and that the play unit had no capital allocation to add to the funds received from the developer. In addition, it was unlikely the play unit would have an capital budget for the next financial year and that a scheme could be delivered within a 2-3 year period should this Authority agree to support the scheme, with the proposal being broken down into a phased programme and the details provided to this Council once funding levels had been confirmed.

In relation to Section 106 Agreement funding, this was subject to planning policy, in that when funds had been provided they were normally to be used on the recreation facility closest to the proposed development. On checking records, the play unit had used payments from the development at High Street of £7,524 to provide new equipment at Bron y Wern play area, with the Roseneath development providing £11,000 for Pen y Glyn, as previously advised.

The play areas in Bagillt had all been upgraded by the former Delyn Borough Council with some of the funding being provided by this Authority. Therefore, Councillor R.K. Jones felt it was inappropriate for the identified shortfall to be expected from this Authority, which no doubt other sites would require in due course. He suggested therefore that Flintshire County Council should provide information concerning the current condition of all play area sites within this community and what they anticipated the costs were to bring them up to the present day standard. In addition, to fund a scheme over a 2-3 year period, as has been suggested, would mean by the end of this period the earlier work would have been vandalised, which would make it inappropriate to complete. In addition, perhaps there also ought to be consultation with the Community Council as to which play area scheme should benefit from Section 106 Agreement monies.

**RESOLVED :**

That the Clerk request the County Council to provide information concerning the present state of all play areas in Bagillt and whether the Community Council could be consulted in the future in relation to which play area should receive the benefit of a Section106 Agreement contribution.

**b. Victoria Road – Removal of Play Equipment**

Further to discussion at the Special meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2007, the meeting considered a reply received from Flintshire County Council, copies of which had been previously circulated. It was noted that the equipment removed was on health and safety grounds, as it could no longer be kept in a safe condition for children to play on.

**RESOLVED :**

That the reply be noted.

**78. IDENTIFYING PATHS FOR IMPROVEMENT FOR 2007-2010**

Further to discussion held at the Special meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2007, the meeting considered the information received from Groundwork Wrexham/ Flintshire, concerning identifying paths for improvement for 2007-2010. The Clerk advised Members that he had included a copy of the letter he had sent to this organisation prior to the Special meeting, requesting more information, particularly concerning whether at some time they will be seeking a financial contribution from this Authority towards any costs of paths identified in the Bagillt area, and there had been no response.

**RESOLVED :**

That no further action be taken in the matter.

**79. ROAD RUNNER WASTE LIMITED**

A copy of a long awaited reply received from the Planning Officer, Flintshire County Council, had been previously circulated for the information of Members. At the Planning Committee on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2007 consideration of the application to extend, regularise recycling operations at the main site, was deferred to allow the applicant further time to pursue additional land/buildings essential to the proposal. The position had now been clarified and a copy of an e-mail from the Planning Officer to the Clerk had also been previously circulated for the information of Members.

In relation to the e-mail Councillor R.K. Jones indicated that, whilst it would have

been preferable if a shorter date had been indicated, at least there was now a time limit concerning the submission of a new planning application following which enforcement action would ensue.

**RESOLVED :**

That the information received from Flintshire County Council be noted.

**80. HOLYWELL NEIGHBOURHOODS COMMUNITIES FIRST PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

The Clerk advised that the AGM for the Holywell Neighbourhoods Communities First Partnership Board was to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at The Stamford Gate Hotel, Holywell, and it would deal with nominations to the Partnership Board. The Council were currently represented on the Board by Councillor Mrs. S.L. Jones, who unfortunately was not able to continue and the Council requested to consider putting forward another nominee.

**RESOLVED :**

That if he was able to accept, Councillor J. Williams be nominated.

**81. HOUSING ALLOCATIONS POLICY**

The Clerk reported that a consultation document had been received from Flintshire County Council concerning Housing Allocations Policy after the agenda had been forwarded. Although the consultation date had been extended to early October, it would still not be possible for it to be considered in time having regard to the date of the next Council meeting.

**RESOLVED :**

That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be authorised to respond to the consultation on behalf of the Council.

**82. MEMBERS' ITEMS**

**a. Manor Industrial Estate – Hedge**

The Chairman reported concerns regarding a hedge alongside the Flint end of the access road into the Manor Industrial Estate, which was causing pedestrians to have to walk on the highway.

**RESOLVED :**

That the matter be reported to the Highway Authority for attention accordingly.

**b. Talbot Stores, High Street**

Councillor Mrs. D.J. Williams made reference to the fact that concerns had been expressed that these premises may revert to being a Bargain Booze establishment and she enquired whether this would be a change of use requiring planning consent. Councillor R.K. Jones indicated that the premises already had an off-licence facility.

**RESOLVED :**

That the Clerk check the situation with the Planning Authority and advise the Member accordingly.

**c. Adoption of Estate Road at Cae'r Ffynnon off Tyn Twll Lane**

The Chairman made reference to the previous report some months ago concerning the £500 shortfall from one resident and that it should be made up by the other seven properties. In the circumstances, having regard to the length of time this was taking, he was prepared to personally make up the shortfall and requested that this offer be put to the Highway Authority to see if this would resolve the impasse and lead to the necessary works so the road could be adopted.

**RESOLVED :**

That the Clerk convey this information to Flintshire County Council accordingly.

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S  
CODE OF CONDUCT**

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| <b>Date of Council Meeting</b> | <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2007</b> |
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| <b>Member</b>          | <b>Item</b>  | <b>Minute No. Refers</b> |
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| Councillor J. Williams | Application for Financial Assistance – Bagillt Royal Stars | 68                       |

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**Chairman**