

BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Virtual Ordinary meeting of the BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL held on Wednesday 10th March, 2021.

PRESENT: Councillor B. T. Doleman (Chairman)

COUNCILLORS: R. Davies, A. Griffiths, S. Griffiths, Mrs. S.L. Jones, C.P. Owens, Mrs. W. Owens, K. Rush, Mrs. C. Shorten, T. Shorten, D. Stanley, C. Williams, and Mrs. D. J. Williams.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Mrs. J. Nicholas.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. L. Wood (Clerk) and Mr. D. Hughes, Census Regional Engagement Manager.

64. NEW COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR

The Chairman welcomed the new Community Councillor, Councillor Mrs. W. Owens.

65. PUBLIC ENQUIRY ITEM

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Council.

66. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor C. P. Owens declared a personal interest for the Payment relating to Bagillt Web Design (Minute 74) and Bagillt Web Design Services (Minute 84).

Councillor Mrs. W. Owens declared a personal interest relating to Bagillt Web Design Services (Minute 84).

RESOLVED: The Declaration of Interests record will be updated and displayed on the Council's website.

67. CENSUS 2021

Mr. D. Hughes, Census Regional Engagement Manager for Flintshire, Wrexham and Denbighshire attended to give a presentation to the Council on the benefits of the Census and how the Council can help promote and raise awareness of the importance of the Census which will take place on the 21st March, 2021.

The Chairman thanked Mr Hughes for his attendance.

RESOLVED: That the presentation was noted.

68. POLICING MATTERS

The Clerk reported she had spoken to PCSO T. Hulse and he asked I informed the Council that the complaint regarding parked cars, he had spoken to numerous residents about this issue, with regards to the speeding on the A548 speeding, speed tests are now being carried out and regarding speeding on Bryntirion Road,

this is also being monitored.

RESOLVED: Noted.

69. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held 10th February 2021, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

70. CHAIRMANS COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman had no communications to report.

71. REPORTS BY REPRESENTATIVES & COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Councillor R. Davies reported the salt bin in Merllyn Lane has now been filled.

Pot Holes from the Manor to the Blossoms had now been completed.

The County Council have placed 'No through Road' signage in Tyddyn Messham, as a temporary measure.

Old London Road works, County are awaiting a date from the Contractor and the Road will be closed whilst works take place.

Care packages from the Deeside Crisis Centre have been delivered in the village.

Councillor K. Rush reported he had received numerous complaints regarding dog fouling and these had been reported to the Flintshire Enforcement Officer. The Officer had said they will be doing a letter drop to residents and will also increase patrols and will try to engage and educate dog walkers.

Councillor A. Griffiths said urgent action is required and this is a serious issue and asked the Council write to PCSO. T. Hulse.

RESOLVED: That the reports be noted and the Clerk will write to PSCO T. Hulse regarding dog fouling issues.

72. PAYMENTS TO MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS

The meeting considered a report of the Clerk, together with an extract from the Annual Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, so as to enable the Council to make determinations applicable for the next financial year. The report of the Clerk advised of the current situation in relation to previous determinations by the Council. See Appendix A.

In addition, the report also pointed out that, in relation to payments to Members for this financial year then these would need to be listed and sent to the Panel as well as being displayed on the website and Council notice boards.

RESOLVED: That in relation to the 2021/22 financial year, the determinations required concerning payments to Members be as follows:

Determination 42 - Payment of £150 paid to Members – to be paid by Council as Mandatory

Determination 43 - Not applicable as relating to Councils in Group A
 Determination 44 - Recognition of Specific Roles – not to be paid by Council
 Determination 45 - Reimbursement of travel when undertaking approved duties – to be paid by Council
 Determination 46 - Reimbursement of Subsistence – to be paid by Council
 Determination 47 - Financial Loss Allowance – to be paid by Council
 Determination 48 - Civic Allowance to Mayor/Chair – not to be paid by Council
 Determination 49 - Civic Allowance to Deputy Mayor/Vice Chair– not to be paid by Council
 Determination 50 - Not applicable as relating to Members in receipt of Band 1 or 2 Senior Salaries

73. PLANNING

The Clerk reported no planning applications or decisions were received.

74. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Voucher No	Name	Details	Expenditure Powers	£
74	Bagillt Heritage Society	Chairman Fund Donation	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.137)	825.00
75	Mrs. L. Wood, Clerk	Clerks Salary & Expenses	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.112)	704.08
76	Cllr. D. Stanley	Members Allowance Payment	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.112)	120.00
77	HM Revenues & Customs	Tax & NI – Clerks Salary & Members Allowance	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.112)	238.89
78	Clwyd Pension Fund	Employers & Employees' Pension Contribution for Clerk	Loc.Govt.(MP) Act 1976 (S19)	205.65
79	Opus Energy	Community Library Electricity	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.112)	21.60
80	Bagillt Web Design,	Community Council Website Maintenance	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.111)	330.00
81	Information Commissioners Office	Data Protection Registration Renewal	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.111)	40.00
82	Ebuyer	Office Supplies	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.111)	85.55
83	Ebuyer	Office Supplies	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.111)	23.71
84	Flint TC	Photocopying Services	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.111)	6.30
78	Full Cirlce Security	Repairs to CCTV Camera	Loc.Gov Rating Act 1997 (S.31)	274.80

RESOLVED: That the above-mentioned accounts be paid.

75. BAGILLT FORSHORE

There were no reports.

76. CCTV CAMERAS

The Clerk reported that following the annual maintenance on the CCTV Camera, Gadlys Lane, a repair was required and that in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chair, the works were carried out.

RESOLVED: Noted.

77. PLANTERS IN THE VILLAGE

The Clerk reported that Flintshire Streetscene advised this year the Council were required to purchase the plants directly from the supplier. The County Council would collect and put the plants in the raised beds.

The Clerk is awaiting a list of plants and costs but was advised the approx. costs would be £60.00.

The Council agreed to the costs.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will contact the supplier and make the necessary arrangements.

78. STREET FURNITURE INSPECTION

The Clerk advised the Council that the Annual Street Furniture inspection had been carried out by Councillor B. T. Doleman and Councillor Mrs. J. Nicholas. Copies had been previously circulated to the Council. See Appendix B.

The Council approved for the works to be carried out.

RESOLVED: Councillor S. Griffiths will obtain quotes and report back to the next meeting.

79. WAR MEMORIAL GRANT SCHEME

The Clerk had previously shared information regarding the War Memorial Grant Scheme. In order to apply for the grant, specific works, quotes and contractor details were required to be submitted.

Councillors discussed if works were required on the village War Memorial and concluded not.

RESOLVED: That the Grant Scheme be noted.

80. BAGILLT BOWLING GREEN

Councillor K. Rush reported that he had spoken to Ms. L. Williams and she had decided to apply for asset transfer and was working with Flintshire County Council regarding this.

The Council agreed to hold £1,920 in reserves until the Bowling Green Committee were legal owners and funds were again requested.

RESOLVED: That the £1,920 will be carried forward and held in reserves and Councillor K. Rush said he will report back to the next meeting.

81. COMMUNITY BROADBAND

Councillor C. P. Owens reported that the Welsh Government scheme for grants closed the end of February. In Bagillt, we have a large number of properties with poor broadband.

Mr. M Dugine, Digital Business Officer advised we were excluded from the grant scheme as we were included in Openreach's normal rollout. One week before the grant scheme closed, Openreach announced we are not included in the normal roll out. Mr. M Dugine has said there will be a new grant scheme, but to date we have no details or timescales.

Councillor K. Rush proposed a letter is sent to Ms. H. Blythyn, MS to seek help with this matter as many residents in Bagillt have dreadful broadband and rely on this more than ever, with home working and home schooling.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk in consultation with Councillor C. P. Owens will write a letter to Ms. H. Blythyn, MS regarding Broadband in the village.

82. LEADWORKS, BAGILLT

Councillor C. P. Owens reported that he had been approached by members of the public regarding earth moving and land clearing on the site of the old top works leadworks to the rear of Ersanmine and below Spring Hill Quarry. In 2019, CADW were asked to list the site for its industrial architecture but they suggested that it wasn't suitable for listing but should perhaps be subject to a protection order. CPAT (the Clwyd - Powys Archaeological Trust) had already notified a number of features on the site.

Councillor K. Rush contacted Flintshire Planning and found that no application had been made. Councillor C. P. Owens visited the site and found that all trace of the footpaths, all the trees in the centre of the site and all the old leadworks buildings in the centre of the site have been flattened and removed. Both Flintshire Planning Enforcement and Footpaths section were notified. The Footpath Officer visited the site and have asked the owner of the site to re-instate the footpaths.

In respect of the preservation of any remaining archaeology, the tree felling, the nature of the top part of the site where one of the residents has claimed that they have pictures of Great Crested Newt and the possible public health threat from spreading a contaminated leadworks site all over the hill and potentially into water course, Councillor C. P. Owens proposed the Council write to the relevant public authorities in respect of these concerns.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will write to Flintshire Planning Enforcement, Ecologist and Public Health Board.

83. FOOTPATH NUMBER 10

The Council considered the letter from Mr. S. Jones, Flintshire Access Officer. See Appendix C.

RESOLVED: That the letter is noted and will await further correspondence from Flintshire County Council.

84. BAGILLT WEB DESIGN

The Clerk requested the Council agree to continuing to use of Bagillt Web Design for the Council's website services.

The Clerk advised that the Council's website requires an Accessibility Audit and a quote had been provided from Bagillt Web Design for the works. The quotation was shared with the Council and was accepted.

NOTE: Councillor C. P. Owens and Councillor Mrs. W. Owens left the meeting and did not vote thereon.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will write to Bagillt Web Design advising them of the Council's decision to continue to use their services and that the Council accepted the quotation for the Accessibility Audit.

85. ZURICH INSURANCE SERVICES

The Clerk requested the Council agree to continuing to use of Zurich Insurance Services Ltd as the insurance provider.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will write to Zurich Insurance Services advising them of the Council's decision to continue to use their services.

86. COMPACC COMPLETE ACCOUNTANCY SERVICE UK LTD

The Clerk requested the Council agree to continuing to use Compacc Complete Accountancy Service UK Ltd for the Council's payroll services.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will write to Compacc Complete Accountancy Service UK Ltd advising them of the Council's decision to continue to use their services.

87. CORRESPONDENCE & CLERKS REPORT

RESOLVED: That the Correspondence and Clerks Report be noted.

88. URGENT WARD MATTERS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no urgent ward matters or future agenda items.

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