

BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Virtual Ordinary meeting of the BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL held on Wednesday 13th October, 2021.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs. S.L. Jones (Chairman)

COUNCILLORS: R. Davies, B. T. Doleman, A. Griffiths, C.P. Owens, Mrs. W. Owens, K. Rush, Mrs. C. Shorten, T. Shorten, Miss. T. Strong, C. Williams and Mrs. D. J. Williams.

APOLOGIES: Councillor S. Griffiths

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. L. Wood (Clerk), Mr. T. Cartwright (Flintshire Streetscene) and Member of the Public.

72. PUBLIC ENQUIRY ITEM

A Member of the Public was present and asked to speak on Agenda Item 6 – Bagillt Bowling Club.

73. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor K. Rush declared a personal interest in the application from Ysgol Merllyn for a financial donation. (Minute 83).

Councillor A. Griffiths declared a personal interest in the application from Ysgol Merllyn for a financial donation. (Minute 83).

RESOLVED: That these declarations are noted and the list of declarations of interest is updated.

74. NEW COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR EAST WARD & VACANCY WEST WARD CO-OPTION

The Chair welcomed the new Community Councillor, Councillor Miss. T. Strong.

The Clerk reported to the meeting that she had received one expression of interest for the West Ward co-option from Mrs. A. Locker who gave details relating to her residency in the village and community involvement. The Council agreed to Co-opt Mrs. A. Locker as West Ward Community Councillor.

RESOLVED: That Mrs. A. Locker be co-opted as West Ward Community Councillor

75. STREETSCENE BAGILLT

Mr. T. Cartwright, Flintshire Streetscene attended the meeting and reported all issues from the last meeting had been resolved.

Councillor C. P. Owens reported the pot holes near the old Royal Oak need repairing again due to recent water burst repairs that required the road to be dug up.

Councillor K. Rush reported at the top of Sandy Lane, the tractors coming are causing the tarmac to lift and the large refuse lorries that use Sandy Lane are damaging the banks either side of the road causing the soil to block the grids which will cause flooding.

The path between Merilyn and Gadlys Lane needs to be cut back and the weeds cleared. Also, the right hand side of Sandy Lane, there is an issue with over hanging hedges, this needs cutting back. Mr. T. Cartwright said a Hedge Notice has been served to the owner.

Councillor Miss. T. Strong reported trees over hanging the bus stop opposite the Stag Inn and the lighting is an issue in the dark evenings.

RESOLVED: That Mr. T. Cartwright, Flintshire Streetscene Officer will action all requests and report back to the next meeting he attends.

76. BAGILLT BOWLING CLUB

Ms. L. Williams reported that she is waiting to complete on the Community Asset Transfer and is seeking a Solicitor and quotations. The club also requires insurance and has had a provisional quotation of £168. Ms. L. Williams asked the Council if they could help with a financial contribution for both the Solicitor fees and Insurance costs as no other funding is currently available.

Ms. L. Williams is in the process of setting up a Community Bank Account, but could take up to 4 weeks.

Councillors asked Ms. L. Williams to attend the next meeting and provide quotations for the Solicitor and Insurance fees for the Council to consider.

RESOLVED: That Ms. L. Williams will attend the October meeting.

77. POLICING MATTERS

The Clerk reported on behalf of Councillor S. Griffiths speeding issues on the A5026, near lights past the Lyons Den towards Holywell.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will report this issue to PCSO T. Hulse.

78. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held 8th September 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

79. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman had no communications to report.

80. REPORTS BY REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor R. Davies reported the following:

Three pathways in the Bryntirion area have been cleared.

A Dog Bin has been installed in the Abbots Close to Cannon Drive pathway and two Dog Bins have been installed on new Cycle/pathway.

The Overgrown Ivy etc has been cleared from the High Street area between the Kebab shop and Merllyn Lane. The flower beds have also been cleared and weeded.

RESOLVED: That the reports be noted.

81. PLANNING

a. Applications for Consideration

App No	Location	Detail
063212	The Farm House, Old Bagillt Road, Bagillt, Flintshire	Listed Building Consent - Reinstatement of farmhouse

RESOLVED: That the Council support the application and the Clerk will inform Flintshire Planning department accordingly.

b. Application Decisions.

App No	Location	Detail	Decision
063097	Johns Pharmacy Albert House, High Street, Bagillt, Flint, Flintshire, CH6 6ED	Removal of existing Fascia Signage Panel (Panatrim Aluminium Framed Panel) and replacement with new larger signage panel with LED frame mount trough light fitting for illumination.	Approved
063096	Johns Pharmacy Albert House, High Street, Bagillt, Flint, Flintshire, CH6 6ED	Removal of existing timber shopfront and installation of new aluminium framed shopfront.	Approved
063081	Land at Top Hill, Fron Deg, Bagillt, Flintshire, CH6 6HU	Erection of one Dwelling	Approved

The Clerk informed the Council of the above planning applications decisions that were received from Flintshire County Council.

RESOLVED: That the Application decisions were noted

82. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Voucher No	Name	Details	£
47	Mrs. L. Wood, Clerk	Clerks Salary & Expenses	741.23
48	HM Revenues & Customs	Tax & NI Clerks Salary	191.01
49	Clwyd Pension Fund	Employers & Employees' Pension Contribution for Clerk	203.68
50	Opus Engery	Community Library Electricity	13.86
51	Flintshire CC	Contribution towards Playscheme 2021	5715.80
52	Ebuyer	Office Supplies	24.09
53	Flint TC	Photocopying Agenda	11.09
54	Flint TC	Photocopying General	16.00

RESOLVED: That the above-mentioned accounts be paid.

83. APPLICATIONS FOR FINAICIAL ASSISTANCE

The Council considered a report by the Clerk on the application for financial assistance, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members. All applications are required to have up to date financial information, apart from, agreed organisations.

RESOLVED:

1. That in accordance with Section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000, the following donations be agreed for this financial year:

No	Voucher	Name	£
55		Ysgol Merllyn	400.00
56		Ysgol Glan Aber	400.00
57		Busy Rascals	500.00
58		Superkids	500.00

84. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

a. Budget Monitoring Report

The meeting considered the Budget Monitoring report and Bank reconciliation statement for the second quarter to 30th September 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members. See Appendix A.

RESOLVED: That the financial information be noted as circulated and approved

b. Checks of Supplier Data

Due to Covid19, the supplier data check was unable to be carried out.

RESOLVED: Noted.

85. MATCH FUNDING SCHEME – IMPROVEMENTS TO CHILDREN’S PLAY AREAS 2021/22

The Council had previously agreed to engage in two schemes this year as due to covid no playarea was upgraded last year and the Council held the budget funds in reserves.

At the last meeting it was suggested Aura should look to include more equipment in both Bron Haul and Bron Y Wern playareas and that the County Councillors could meet with with Mr. R. Richards, Play Design Officer to discuss plans further.

Following the site visits, Mr. R. Roberts sent revised plans and costing regarding up grading both playareas. The cost to the Council would be £15,000 per play area.

Councillor K. Rush said at the site visit, he had discussed with Mr. Roberts installing a roundabout so more children could enjoy and Mr. Roberts advised the proposed tyre swing can accommodate approximately 4-8 children at one time. The wooden climbing frame at Bron Haul is being taken down as it is not safe.

Councillor Miss T. Strong asked if Bron y Wern playarea equipment could be closer to the entrance to aid wheelchair access. Councillor R. Davies said he would discuss options with Mr. R. Roberts but this could be a costly exercise and interfere with the goal posts.

Councillor R. Davies proposed we commit £15,000 to both play area improvement schemes. Council agreed.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will contact Mr. R. Roberts, Aura Play Design Officer to confirm the Council will contribute £15,000 per play area for the match funding scheme and will request Mr. R. Roberts contacts the County Councillors to discuss Bron y Wern play area further.

86. COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Councillor K. Rush reported the emergency door in the Community Library is in need of repair to ensure the safety of the users and also, two blinds are needed on the windows and proposed the Council pay for a new door and blinds.

Councillor R. Davies asked if the Community Library had been successful with any grant applications. Councillor Mrs. W. Owens confirmed yes and the FLVC grant funds of £1,300 were

used to make the building covid safe so they could re-open and they are unable to re-apply for another FLVC grant for two years.

Councillors agreed to the proposal to pay for a new door and blinds as the Library is a valued community facility. Quotations will be shared.

RESOLVED: That the Council will pay for a new door and blinds and the Chairman and Vice Chair can authorise payment prior to a meeting if required.

87. WAR MEMORIAL

Councillor B. T. Doleman reported that he has no success in finding a contractor to erect a shelter at the War Memorial and proposed that the Council no longer fund this.

RESOLVED: That the Council will not pursue a shelter at the War Memorial.

88. REMEMBRANCE SERVICE 2021

Councillor B. T. Doleman reported that the Church have confirmed the usual parade will not go ahead but a Service will be held, date to be confirmed.

Both Councillors R. Davies and K. Rush asked if the Council could purchase lamppost poppies and standing Solider Silhouettes for the village. Councillors agreed.

The Clerk will contact the Royal British Legion and report back to the Chairman and Vice Chairman as purchases would need to be made as soon as possible.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will contact the Royal British Legion and report back to the Chairman and Vice Chairman and make the purchases.

89. CHRISTMAS TREES

The Clerk reported that following a request by the Council for three additional trees in the village, River Bank, off Victoria Road; the Manor and lower Riverbank by the old Council yard, Mega Electricals provided a quotation which was shared with the Council. The Councillors accepted the quotation.

RESOLVED: That the Council agreed the quotation for three additional trees, River Bank, off Victoria Road; the Manor and lower Riverbank by the old Council yard and the Clerk will inform Mega Electricals.

90. WINTER MAINTENANCE ARRANGEMENTS 2020/21

The information was not received.

91. WILDFLOWER AREA CREATION

The Council considered an email from Ms. S. Slater, Flintshire Biodiversity Officer which included sites that have been identified as areas which would suit wildflower seeding which will provide a colourful and biodiverse space next summer, these were Bron y Wern Park and Highfield Road.

In addition to the wildflower sites, Ms. S. Slater is also working on a tree planting and fruit tree planting project. A site suggested is the park on Victoria Road.

The Councillors welcome the wildflower and tree planting in the identified areas.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will confirm with Ms. S. Slater, Flintshire Biodiversity Officer that the Council agree with the identified locations.

92. COUNCIL'S PAYROLL SERVICES

The Clerk reported that the Council's current Payroll Services are closing by the end of this year therefore the Clerk has sought a quotation from another Payroll Services, AVOW, who has been recommended by several other Councils. The quotation was shared with Councillors and was accepted.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will contact AVOW to set up the Council's Payroll Services from December 2021.

93. CORRESPONDENCE & CLERKS REPORT

There was no Correspondence or Clerks Report.

94. URGENT WARD MATTERS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no urgent ward matters or future agenda items.

Date of Council Meeting	Wednesday 14th October 2020
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