

## **BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary meeting of the BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in BAGILLT COMMUNITY LIBRARY on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

**PRESENT: Councillor B. T. Doleman (Chairman)**

**COUNCILLORS:** R. Davies, A. Griffiths, Mrs. S.L. Jones, Mrs. J. Nicholas, C. Renshaw, Mrs. C. Shorten, T. Shorten, C. Williams, C.R. Williams and Mrs. D. J. Williams.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors C. P. Owens and K. Rush.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs. L. Wood (Clerk) and Members of the Public.

### **58. PUBLIC ENQUIRY ITEM**

There were no requests from the members of the public present to ask a question or make comment on any agenda item.

### **59. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There was no declaration of interests recorded.

### **60. POLICING MATTERS**

The Clerk informed the Council that PCSO D. Chatham was unable to attend the meeting.

The Clerk reported that the Police were no longer able to store the Council's CCTV Laptop and the Police requested a member of the Council stores the laptop, the Council would not have access to view any footage or have any passwords and as and when the Police required to view the footage, they would collect the laptop then return it to the Council's property.

Councillor A, Griffiths said this was not acceptable, the Police suggested the Council purchase CCTV Camera's and a laptop and the Police would hold the laptop. Also, the Police presence remains low in the village and we are unable to contact PSCO D. Chatham via telephone or email therefore proposed a letter is sent to the Police Commissioner to ask for an explanation. The Council unanimously agreed.

Councillor Mrs. J. Nicholas asked who looks after other Town and Community Council's CCTV. The Clerk explained some other councils were in the same position as us and believes others have a contract with Flintshire County Council. Councillor Mrs. J. Nicholas proposed we contact Flintshire County Council to make enquiries.

Councillor Mrs. S. Jones said if no one is viewing the footage, how do we know the camera is working correctly or not.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will write to the Police and Crime Commissioner for North Wales to seek clarification regarding the Council's CCTV and the lack of Police presence and also write to Flintshire County Council CCTV Manager regarding CCTV Contracts.

## 61. COUNCIL VACANCY

The Clerk reported the resignation of Councillor M. A. Reece and explained the appropriate vacancy procedures. The vacancy notice that will be displayed from 3/9/19 until 20/9/19. If ten or more registered West Ward electors write to the Flintshire Elections Office, an election can be called and this would cost the Community Council approx. £2,000 - 3,000. If an election is not called, the Council can co-opt a member.

The Chairman proposed a letter of thanks is sent to former Councillor M. A. Reece to thank him for his services and dedication to the council and village. The Council agreed.

Councillor C. Renshaw asked for clarification regarding the absence of Councillor C. P. Owens and the Chairman confirmed he was unable to attend the meetings for a couple months however he will keep the Council updated.

**RESOLVED:** That the vacancy notice and procedures be noted and a letter of thanks is sent to former Councillor M. A. Reece.

## 62. MINUTES

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held 10<sup>th</sup> July 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## 63. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman had no communications to report.

## 64. REPORTS BY REPRESENTATIVES

There were no reports by representatives.

## 65. PLANNING

### a. Applications Determined – on-line consultation period

App No	Location	Detail
060105	Land at side of Rowen, High Street, Bagillt, CH6 6ED	Proposed erection of pair of semi-detached houses, with off road parking and landscaping

The Clerk reported that due to the on-line consultation period ending before the next Council Meeting, the above Planning Application was considered by the West Ward Members, the Council supported this application and this was shared with the Planning department.

**RESOLVED:** That it was noted that the application was supported.

App No	Location	Detail
060286	Braemar, Bryntirion Road, Bagillt, CH6 6BZ	Single Storey Side Extension

The Clerk reported that due to the on-line consultation period ending before the next Council Meeting, the above Planning Application was considered by the East Ward Members, the Council supported this application and this was shared with the Planning department.

**RESOLVED:** That it was noted that the application was supported.

**b. Planning Appeal - due consultation period closing prior to Council meeting.**

App No	Location	Detail
058362	Rhydwen Garage, Bagillt Road, Bagillt, CH6 6JJ	Change of use of land.

The Clerk reported that due to the on-line consultation period ending before the next Council Meeting, the above Planning Appeal was considered by all members, after consultation with Chairman, as no clear view, the Clerk consulted with the Chairman, Vice Chair and West Ward Members and the Council objected to this application, due to the area being a flood risk area and the noise and fumes caused by extra buses and coaches would be detrimental to the local residents. These comments have been shared with the Planning department.

**RESOLVED:** That it was noted that the application was objected too.

**c. Applications for Consideration**

App No	Location	Detail
060298	Rhydwen Garage, Bagillt Road, Bagillt, CH6 6JJ	Use of land for parking of coaches and buses in association with existing coach and bus depot.

The Council objected to this application, due to the area being a flood risk area and the noise and fumes caused by extra buses and coaches would be detrimental to the local residents.

**RESOLVED:** That the Council object to the application and the Clerk will inform Flintshire Planning department accordingly.

App No	Location	Detail
060086	14 Cadnant Drive, Bagillt, CH6 6HA	Proposed erection of conservatory to rear.

The Council supported this application.

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

**d. Application Decisions – for information.**

App No	Location	Detail	Decision
059940	Land opposite Britannia House, Bagillt Road, Bagillt, CH6 6HD	Outline application for the proposed development of 0.05 ha land for the erection of 2 No. affordable homes.	Refused
060152	Uplands, Holywell Road, Flint, CH6 5RR	Proposed extension to kitchen/dining area and erection of porch.	Approved

The Clerk informed the Council of the above planning application decision that was received from Flintshire County Council.

**RESOLVED:** That the Application decision was noted.

**66. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

Voucher No	Name	Details	Expenditure Powers	£
31	Opus Energy	Community Library Electricity	Loc.Govt.(MP) Act 1976 (S19)	46.00
32	Mrs. L. Wood, Clerk	Clerks Salary & Expenses	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.112)	698.89
33	HM Revenues & Customs	Tax & NI Clerks Salary	Loc.Govt.Act 1972 (S.112)	217.78
34	Clwyd Pension Fund	Employers & Employees' Pension Contribution for Clerk	Loc.Govt.(MP) Act 1976 (S19)	141.30
35	Opus Energy	Community Library Electricity	Loc.Govt.(MP) Act 1976 (S19)	44.08

**RESOLVED:** That the above mentioned accounts be paid.

**67. BAGILLT FORESHORE**

The Chairman reminded the meeting that in 2016, the Council donated £500 to the Foreshore memorial fund and as previously reported the memorial is no longer going ahead therefore asked do the Council wish for the £500 to be returned to the Council. The Council agreed the money should be returned as it was not spent for the purposes which it was given.

Councillor C. Renshaw said a lot of members of public and businesses have also given donations, how would this be dealt with. Mr. P. Carlisle has nearly completed the memorial therefore the refunded £500 could be donated to complete the project. Councillor C. Renshaw believes Flintshire Countryside Services are also willing to offer funding and the village could also become involved, schools, businesses and the Church.

The Chairman confirmed that Flintshire Countryside Services have taken over the project and funding was offered. If this Council receives a future request for a donation for the project, it can be considered.

The Chairman referred to the letter from Ms. H. Blythyn AM regarding the completion of the Flintshire Coastal Path and is disappointed that it states funding obtained has been spent elsewhere.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will write to the Chairman of the Bagillt Foreshore to request the £500 donation is returned to the Council.

#### **68. ST. MARY'S CHURCH**

There were no reports or comments.

#### **69. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2018/19**

The Clerk reported the Audit Report for 2018/19 had not been received and expected by 30<sup>th</sup> September, this will be reported to the October Meeting.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted.

#### **70. FLINTSHIRE DEPOSIT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (LDP) BRIEFING MEETINGS.**

The Council considered an invitation from Mr. A. Roberts, Flintshire Service Manager Strategy to attend a briefing event relating to the Flintshire Deposit Local Development Plan (LDP). The purpose of the presentation is to provide Town and Community Councils with an awareness and understanding of the Deposit Local Development Plan before it goes out to public consultation on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted.

#### **71. UPDATE REVIEW OF COUNTY ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FLINTSHIRE – DRAFT PROPOSALS**

The Council considered an email from Mr. T. Jenkins, Review Officer, Local Democracy and Boundary Commission.

The Chairman said the proposals state Bagillt will no longer be two wards and two County Councillors but one ward and two County Councillors.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted.

#### **72. MATCH FUNDING SCHEME - IMPROVEMENTS TO CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS 2019/20**

A letter from Mr. R. Roberts, Flintshire Play Design Officer regarding Match funding Scheme Improvements to Children's Play Areas 2019/20. See Appendix A.

Councillor R. Davies proposed the High Street play area.

Councillor Mrs. J. Nicholas asked if the improvements would be to add equipment as opposed to replacing the existing equipment as it was relatively new. Councillor R. Davies confirmed yes.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that at the budget meeting in January, Council agreed £10,000 was to be allocated to Play area improvements and asked the Council to confirm their contribution. The Council agreed £10,000 be put forward for the High Street play area improvements.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will write to Mr. R. Roberts, Flintshire Play Design Officer to advise the Council wish to take part in the Play area Match Funding scheme for improvements indicating the Council will contribute £10,000.

### **73. COUNCIL POLICY DOCUMENTS**

The Council's Planning Procedures were considered for approval and adoption.

**RESOLVED:** That the Council's Planning Procedures were approved and were adopted by the Council.

### **74. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

The Clerk reported she had contacted fellow Clerks and received some information which indicated approximate costs would be at least £100 per light per year and in addition to these costs, there would be initial costs of adapting the lamp posts which could be approximately £150 per lamp post.

The Council considered the costs and felt it would be too costly.

Councillor Mrs. S. Jones said a previous suggestion made was to have three Christmas trees with LED lights, one in the Boot School, one on the High Street car park and one by the Church. The Council agreed this was the best option and should explore the costs.

The Chairman said he will make enquiries locally regarding the cost of three large trees and for the Clerk to contact Flintshire County Council to check the rules and regulations and will report back at the next meeting.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will contact Flintshire Streetscene to make enquiries about a village having Christmas trees.

### **75. RECESS PERIOD**

**RESOLVED:** To note the actions of the West Ward Members on agenda item 9 – Planning and to note the actions of the Chairman and Vice Chairman on agenda item 10 – Accounts for Payment.

## 76. CORRESPONDENCE & CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that Ms. H. Blythyn's office had been in touch to offer a meeting with the Council and Ms. H. Blythyn to discuss the High Street traffic calming.

Councillor's R. Davies and Mrs. C. Shorten said they would attend a meeting and the Council agreed. The Clerk will arrange the meeting.

The following correspondence were received and circulated.

- A letter from Mr. G. Owens, Flintshire Chief Officer – Governance regarding feedback following further visits that have been carried out to Town and Community Councils by Independent Members of the Standards Committee.
- A invitation letter from Mr. G. Owens, Flintshire Chief Officer – Governance regarding the Standards Committee Joint Meeting with Town and Community Councils on Monday 30th September to be held at Caerwys Town Hall.
- A invitation from R. Owen, on behalf of Transition Holywell & District to attend the Climate Crisis event on the evening of September 19th in Holywell.
- An email from Mrs. L. Phillips, Flintshire Elections Office regarding the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places 2019. Representations must be received by Friday 4 October 2019.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will contact Ms. H. Blythyn's office to arrange a meeting with Councillor's R. Davies and Mrs. C. Shorten and that the Correspondence and Clerk's Report be noted.

## 77. URGENT WARD MATTERS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councillor C. Renshaw asked for School Transportation to be added to the next agenda.

Councillor Mrs. C. Shorten suggested CCTV Camera's be a standing agenda item until the matter is resolved. The Council agreed.

**RESOLVED:** That the items be added to the next agenda.

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

<b>Date of Council Meeting</b>	<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019</b>
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**Chairman**