

GWERNAFFIELD AND PANTYMYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council held on 6 January 2016 at Ysgol Y Waun.

PRESENT

Councillor D Bolton, Councillor R Edwards, Councillor J Elcock, Councillor C Garrett, Councillor R Hughes, Councillor L Jones, Councillor L Pritchard (Chair), Councillor G Tattum, Councillor K Williams.

In Attendance County Councillor A.Davies-Cooke and Mrs K L Roberts – Clerk.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence Councillor A Barsby, Councillor R Morgan, Councillor C Hopwood.

2. Approval of Minutes

Amendment Councillor R Edwards was not present and therefore the councillor should be recorded under apologies.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 2 December 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest

Councillor L Pritchard and Councillor L Jones declared a conflict of interest in relation to the budget allocation for Ysgol Y Waun. As they are on Ysgol Y Waun governing body.

4. Streetscene Matters

Apologies from Mr Andy Lightfoot, Street Scene Area Manager, he is on call and cannot be present. He had provided an update to councillors by email.

Cllr. Pritchard will distribute to members dog fouling notices due to complaints received by county on this issue.

Gwernaffield Footway Improvement - a meeting will be taking place with a Flintshire County Council and a Mold Town Council representative to look at a proposal for improving this footway should funding become available in the future.

Resolved: Councillor R Hughes will be the Community Council representative for the Gwernaffield Footway Improvement.

5. Clerks Update and Correspondence

Flintshire Citizens Advice Bureau Report 2014/2015 and the Wales Air Ambulance Airbase Appeal were circulated.

6. Public Rights of Way

Councillor D Bolton requested a letter be sent to Flintshire County Council rights of way officer to request a right of way in Pantymwyn, following a resident's query. The location referred to on a private road that leads to Pensarn house; there is a left hand bend. From the Leete woodland and Devils Gorge. There was until recently a style next to the gate which has now rotted away and needs replacing. This is also being requested by the local Ramblers Group.

Resolved: The clerk to write to Mr J Hill, Rights of Way Officer at Flintshire County Council.

7. Footway Lighting Renewal Project

11 New LED lights have now been completed in the villages. Cllr. Edwards requested £10,000 be considered in the budget for continuation of the footway lighting renewal project for 2016/2017.

The Lighting Sub Committee will be meeting prior to the next community council meeting.

The clerk advised that financial regulations state a contract exceeding £5,000 for the supply of goods or materials will require tenders from at least 3 firms. Any invitation to tender shall state the intended contract.

8. Budget and Precept setting 2016/2017

A discussion took place in relation to the draft budget which had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting. Councillors considered where savings could be made in the new financial year. Including a reduction in financial contribution to the Christmas event/meal as the majority of those in attendance at the meal had said they would be willing to make a partial contribution. Councillors would consider approaching people to advertise in the newsletter which would assist towards its production. An amount of £8,000 in the budget be requested toward street lighting renewal and replacement.

Not to proceed with a suggested amount of £3,000 for funding applications/grants as no specific costings had been received in support of this suggestion and would be required.

An article would be written for the Newsletter by Councillor G Tatum.

Resolved: Following a majority vote the clerk to submit the precept request to Flintshire County Council for £30,000.

9. Future Community Consultation

Councillors would use the community council quarterly newsletter as a means to consult and inform residents about its work. All felt consultation was an increasingly important area now and would continue to be in the future.

10. Planning Applications and Decisions

Penlford, Cefn Bychan Road, Pantymwyn, Mold, CH7 5EN – Approved 21 December 2015.

Cae Isa Farm, Pen Y Fron Road, Pantymwyn, Mold CH7 5EG

Resolved: No objections to the above application.

Matters raised by members

Cllr. Williams asked the clerk had there been any response from Highways with regard to the request to extend the single yellow line running along Cilcian Road which could be extended into Cadole Road for some distance in order to allow traffic travelling along Cadole Road to return to the correct side of the road prior to the junction. There have been 'near misses' as traffic travelling along Cilcain Road anticipates a vehicle ahead will complete a turning manoeuvre before they pass the spot but then find the turning vehicle comes to an abrupt halt upon realising traffic approaching them from the opposite direction on their side of the road they are about to enter. This is hazardous. The problem could be easily resolved. The clerk said this request went on a list with Highways and she will follow this issue up.

Cllr Elcock concern about 2 near misses outside of the golf club and reminded people to be cautious if approaching the entrance and exiting the golf club. The clerk to notify Mold Golf Club.

Cllr Bolton asked about any dates for the community council website training. The clerk will contact the trainer.

11. Resolved: Accounts for payment

December 2015 and January 2016

Summer Play Scheme 2015	100695	£900
Deeco Lighting (Quarterly Payment)	100696	£1,335.25
VOID	100697	
Clerks Salary	100698	£301.15
HMRC (Income tax)	100699	£53.00
Scottish Power	100700	£305.77
Clerks Salary	100701	301.15
HMRC (Income tax)	100702	53.00
Deeco Lighting (Lighting Renewal)	100703	5,214.00
Scottish Power electricity	100704	316.01

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.