BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 8^{TH} 2015 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE.

Present (Chairman) - Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors K Mathews, L Prince, S Rawlinson, and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors T Birch, D Davies and D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors S Tilston.

Apologies- Councillors M Jones, M Liberatosciol and B Woodfine-Jones Police PCSO Simister.

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday November 10th 2015 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. POLICING

BURGLARY	4	Brymbo - 3 x burglaries over 14 days same area - on going. Bwlchgwyn 1 x property entered
BOTD	3	Brymbo - 2 x garages to the side of Dyke Street. Only very low value items taken. 1 x items taken from garage Ael y Bryn - on going.
ASSAULTS	S.47 x 2 Common X 2	Brymbo - Domestic related Brymbo - Detected known offender Tan y Fron - Domestic related
TFMV	2	Brymbo - 1 x tool box taken (used in burglary above), 1 x wind mirror and wiper taken from vehicle
TOMV	0	
THEFT	1	Tan y Fron - known

		offender
ROBBERY	0	
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	8	Brymbo - 2 x domestic related, 1 x unknown offender smashed rear vehicle window, 1 x known offender kicked wing mirror off vehicle, 1 x Establishment window smashed - on going, 1 x personal related known offender. Tan y Fron - unknown offenders have damaged smoking area in Cricket Club Bwlchgwyn - Historic neighbour dispute
ARSON	0	
DRUGS	0	
ASB	Personal: 1 Nuisance: 5	Brymbo - youths entering flats Tan y Fron: 1 x adult/youths noise Brymbo: 2 x youth related, 1 x vehicle related, 1 x personal related

PCSO Simister told members that he was moving area and a new PCSO had been allocated to the ward. He thanked members for their assistance over the time he had been the area's PCSO. Cllr Shone said that PCSO Simister had worked hard and he was sorry to see him leave the ward as he had been a visual presence in the community. The Chairman thanked PCSO Simister for all his hard work and the effort he had made in his role as PCSO for the ward. He said he would be missed.

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Rogers told members that the issues regarding Tanyfron School were being addressed. WCBC had agreed to carry out the work at no cost to the CC. Cllr Rogers said that the car park at the school was in complete darkness and needed a light placed there. Cllr Rogers said he would raise this with WCBC. Cllr Rogers said that the fencing on Blast Road was in the process of being repaired. New fencing was being erected around the fossil forest by Natural Resources Wales. Cllr Rogers said that a property in Brymbo was being treated for lead contamination and the land had been reclaimed. This work would be completed by the end of December.

4. ROADS

Cllr Birch told members that there had been 8 accidents on the new link road since 17.11.2015.A residents meeting had been held the previous evening and WCBC highway officials and North Wales Police had attended. There were on-going

investigations into the previous accidents. Cllr Rogers told members that if there were problems with the road itself it would be WCBC's responsibility, however if it was found that the problems were enforcement issues then this would be the responsibility of North Wales Police. Cllr Birch said that there were no 30 m.p.h. signs along the road. Cllr Rogers said that North Wales Police were collating all the data and this would be available when investigations had been completed.

5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

No further information.

6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

No further information.

7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr Birch said that the Mytton site was still in darkness and a site meeting would be arranged to discuss this. The Chairman told members that Jones lighting had sent the CC a strong e-mail saying that in future they would charge half a day's fee if lamps were reported without correct locations and numbers. He said that the lighting reps should liaise with Jones lighting in order that an accurate inventory could be drawn up and all lights could be numbered.

8. WAR MEMORIAL

No further information.

9. PLANNING

No planning applications had been received.

10. BRYMBO VACANCIES

There were currently 2 vacancies for the Brymbo ward. One application had been received by Di Ashworth.

Ms Ashworth was the partner of the late Cllr Reston. Cllr Rogers read out the application letter. Cllr Birch proposed, and Cllr D Davies seconded that Ms Ashworth be co-opted to Brymbo Community Council. A vote was taken. There were 7 votes in favour and one abstention. Ms Ashworth was therefore elected to serve the ward of Brymbo. A co-option notice for the remaining vacancy would be placed again in the noticeboards.

11. PRECEPT

The finance sub-committee had met prior to the monthly meeting. Income and expenditure figures had been circulated prior to the meeting to all Councillors. The sub-committee reviewed all the budget categories. The CC had sold Cambrian House therefore it was agreed to distribute this budget of £12600.00 amongst the other categories. As audit fees had increased the previous year the budget would need to be increased from £700.00 to £1000.00. £500.00 would be moved from the churchyard maintenance fund and placed in the donations budget therefore increasing it to £3000.00. Miscellaneous would need to be increased from £800.00 to £1000.00. The clerk's salary had always been split between the general budget and the lighting budget. This would now be a category in itself and increased from £7074.00 to £8074.00 as the Clerks salary would be reviewed in January as per standing orders. Community Environmental Schemes would increase from

£27036.00 to £33036.00 which would give each ward a further increase of £2000.00. This was to ensure that there were sufficient funds to cover increasing maintenance costs and new equipment for all the play areas over the coming months. Also, the maintenance of the Bwlchgwyn play area would (from the next financial year) be paid for by the CC. Lighting costs had increased and new lamps would be needed over the next financial year, therefore £5000.00 would be placed in the lighting budget. The remaining £100.00 would be placed into a new category for 'room hire' for the 5 meetings held at the Enterprise Centre which was currently being debited from Brymbo Env. fund. Members agreed that meetings could now be held at Tanyfron CC as it had now been refurbished and also an extra one at Lodge CC in the next year. WCBC had request that BCC continue its financial support for the Lodge Community centre. (50% shared with Broughton) Members agreed as a budget had been set aside for this. Members agreed that the precept should not be increased for the ratepayers of the ward and should be kept at £51.22. The new expenditure figure would be £99643.00. As the tax base had decreased slightly to 1939 the precept requested from WCBC would be £99315.58.

It was proposed by Cllr Shone and seconded by Cllr Griffiths and agreed unanimously that the recommendations of the sub-committee be accepted and a precept of £99315.58 be requested for the year 2016/2017. Cllr Tilston thanked the clerk for her work.

12. PLAY PROVISION

The Clerk had received a letter from AVOW seeking financial assistance for the play department which supported children and families in Brymbo. The letter said that the organisation was expecting a cut in funding from March 2016 which would impact on service delivery. AVOW were looking for a financial contribution from the CC. The chairman said that a decision on funding was due the next day therefore no decision could be made immediately. Members agreed that final and accurate costing would be needed before the CC could consider this request. Members asked the Clerk to place this item on the Agenda for January when final figures would be available.

13. TREES

Cllr Griffiths requested that the CC fund the removal of a tree in Tanyfron that he believed to be dangerous. He had obtained 3 quotes. Cllr Rogers said that the tree was on land owned by Gordon Mytton however the land in question was to be handed over to WCBC in the near future. Cllr Shone said that if the tree did not belong to the CC they could not fund the removal of it. He said that clarity would be needed before a decision was made. Cllr Rogers said he would ask Martin Howarth of WCBC to arrange a meeting with Cllr Griffiths to discuss the matter.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

LETTER OF THANKS FROM ST MARY'S CHURCH HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT POLICING THE PENSION REGULATOR

HONOURING OUR VETERANS- The letter had been received from WCBC requesting funding to preserve and display the standards of five local veterans' associations in the council chamber at the Guildhall. Members agreed that this was a worthy cause however they believed that the standards should be displayed where the public could view them easily. The museum or St Giles Church was considered more accessible to children and adults as the public could only access the council

chamber whilst meetings were being held. Younger generations would not have access to view these. The Clerk was asked to write to Councillor David Griffiths to advise him of this.

15. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2895	WCBC 6 MONTHLY PLAY AREA MAINTENACE	5028.00
2896	WCBC LODGE COMMUNITY CENTRE	429.98
2897	NIGEL GRIFFITHS BRONWENS GREEN	240.00
2898	B M HUGHES SALARY	*
2899	B M HUGHES REFUMD OF POSTAGES	9.45
2900	BTRT HIRE OF ROOM NOV	20.00
2901	TIDYWESITES ANNUAL SUB	92.00
2902	JONES LIGHTING MAINT	1529.00
2903	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	1025.83

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

Signed Chairman