BRYMBO



CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Bethan M Hughes Clerk and Financial Officer

15 Chestnut Avenue Wrexham LL12 7HS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10th MARCH 2015 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE

Present (Chairman) T Birch

Brymbo Ward- Councillors Liberatosciol, K Mathews, K Monti, L Prince, S

Rawlinson, M Reston, P Rogers and M Shone.

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors D Griffiths

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors M Jones and S Tilston

County Borough Councillor D Kelly

Apologies- Councillors- D Davies and B Woodfine-Jones

Police P.C.S.O. Simster.

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

DECLARATION OF INTEREST Cllr Rogers –Frack Free Wrexham

2. POLICING

Crime Stats - Bwlchgwyn

Crime	Incidents
Burglary Dwelling	1 (Shed entered attempt to enter property)
Common Assault	1 (Domestic related)
Robbery	1 (on going)

Crime Stats - Brymbo

Crime	Incidents			
ASB Nuisance	4 (1 youth and 4 adult related)			
ASB Personal	1 (Verbal altercation with known offender)			
BOTD	1 (Garage entered items taken – on going)			
Theft from vehicle	1 (Fuel and battery taken from plant			
	machinery)			
Fraud	1 (on going)			
Malicious Communications	1 (on going)			

Crime Stats - Tanyfron

Crime	Incidents
ASB Personal	1 (Parking dispute with neighbours)
Theft from vehicle	1 (Headlights taken from vehicle – on going)

3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Rogers said that the spine road was due to be completed at the end of April. The new lamps were being placed and one of the CC lamps was going to be removed and its replacement would then be the responsibility of the Borough Council. The column was being taken by the CC's maintenance contractors and held in case it would be needed in the future. Stage 3 of the construction of the new road was the safety audit which was imminent. The speed limit on the road would be 30m.p.h. Cllr Shone asked if there had been any concerns from residents regarding the speed limit. Cllr Liberatosciol said there had been as children played nearby. Cllr Shone asked about car parking for residents as currently they parked at the side of the road. Cllr Rogers said that residents had parking spaces at the rear of their property but did not use them .Cllr Shone asked if yellow lines were going to be placed on the road. Cllr Rogers said that at this stage they would not be however a request had been made for them. Cllr Rogers said that work on the Skate Park was due to begin on the 16th of March 2015 and it would take approx. 3 weeks to complete. Cllr Birch asked if there was any news on the drainage works on the Mytton site. Cllr Rogers said that the drains had been completed; however the landscaping needed to be finished.

Cllr Kelly said that there had been an issue regarding bin collections in Bwlchgwyn however these were in hand. Concerns regarding the kitchen scheme in the village had been made by some residents and these had now been addressed. Cllr Kelly had been out with members of Streetscene to help resolve problems recurring with gutters. Gulley's had been emptied on Bryn Nebo and Wesley Road There had been problems with water crossing the road and the drainage had been upgraded. Opposite the Kings Head there had been problems with a grid not discharging. This was as a result of the grid collapsing. This was on private land and this was being dealt with. During the recent cold spell grit bins had been filled guickly. Cllr Rogers said that he had met with representatives of Taylor Wimpey who had agreed to address the issues regarding the play areas in Plas Brymbo. He said that the paths would not be tarmacked but would be resurfaced with stone. Cllr Liberatosciol said that she believed the letter sent by Brymbo CC had made a difference. Cllr Liberatosciol told members that a Plas Brymbo residents meeting was being held on the 14th April 2015, and if anyone would like to donate items as raffle prizes these would be gratefully appreciated. Cllr Rogers said that work was still being carried out on the Community Centre in Tanyfron, which would hopefully be opened and used by the school in September. Cllr Monti told members that two new head teachers had been appointed to both Brymbo and Tanyfron schools.

4. CAMBRIAN HOUSE

The Clerk told members that Cambrian House had been sold and the funds had been received for the property.

5. ROADS

Cllr Rogers said that he had attended a meeting earlier that evening with WCBC officers and residents of Green Road, where the impact of the closure of Queens's road was discussed. The options regarding Queens Road were; that it could be permanently closed, or, that traffic improvements could be carried out to Station Road that could address the problems. Cllr Rogers said that the feedback from residents at the meeting would be put in a report which was due to go before the Executive Board. Cllr Rogers said that the meeting had been useful for the residents. Cllr Shone said that Clayton Road was a nightmare as a result and something needed to be done. Cllr Monti said that Vicarage road was a disgrace as it had become very untidy. Cllr Rogers said he would speak to Andy Hughes of WCBC about it. Cllr Shone said that WCBC needed to put pressure on Dee Valley Water to complete the works on Coed Y Felin Road as there were potholes and debris there.

6. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS

Cllr Rogers said he had received a request to fund a new bus shelter on Coed y Felin road. He had obtained a price from WCBC which was £3000.00. He proposed that £1500.00 be granted from the Brymbo Environmental Fund and then a further £1500.00 from the same fund during the next financial year. Cllr Mathews seconded the proposal. A vote was taken. There were 11 in favour. The motion was carried.

7. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Cllr Rogers said that he had been approached twice by Brymbo Boxing Club who were looking for new premises. They had requested sighting a portable cabin on Bronwens Green. Cllr Rogers had requested that they put this in writing and the subcommittee could then meet to discuss the matter.

8. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr Birch said that he had attended the lighting meeting with Cllr Griffiths and Cllr Tilston. Another meeting was due to be held before the CC next meeting. Cllr Birch said that the other members of the consortium had not had many problems with the contractors and things were better as an extra engineer had been appointed for the area. They were looking to stay with Jones Lighting for another period of 12 months. The issue of increasing costs had been raised as some items had increased by over 200%. Cllr Edwards of Penycae was going to address these on behalf of the consortium.

9. WAR MEMORIAL/CHURCHYARD

A grant application had been received from St Mary's Church requesting financial support with rebuilding the church wall. Cllr Monti said that when the Vicarage was sold none of the funds received were put back into the Church. Cllr Rogers said that it was not just the wall but the full structure that needed addressing. He fully understood Cllr Monti's feelings; however the proceeds from the sale of the vicarage could only be spent on a new building. He said that St.Mary's was the only church in the village of Brymbo and the few who did attend ended up paying to keep the church open. Cllr Rogers said that as it was the end of the financial year and there was money left in the churchyard maintenance fund and Brymbo Environmental fund he would like the support of members in making a contribution to the works that would cost approx. £27k. Cllr Shone proposed that £1500.00 be given from Brymbo Environmental fund and £1200.00 from the Churchyard maintenance fund. Cllr

Rogers seconded the proposal. A vote was taken. There were 9 in favour. The motion was carried.

Cllr Tilston thanked Cllr Kelly and Steve Jones for work that had been carried out around the War Memorial in Bwlchgwyn. It had been tidied up and looked smart. He said that he was hopeful that the gardening club would utilise the site. Cllr Kelly said that the area still needed to be re-surfaced as it was uneven. Cllr Tilston said he would obtain a price and pass this on to the Clerk. He proposed that the remainder of the funds in Bwlchgwyn Environmental Fund be used to get this work done. The sum was approx. £5000.00. Cllr Jones seconded this proposal. All were in favour.

10. PLANNING

RE-SITING OF FENCE LINE (IN RETROSPECT)
114 LAMBERTON DRIVE BRYMBO
P/2015/0115- No observations

ERECTION OF FIRST FLOOR REAR EXTENSION, ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING DORMERS AND ERECTION OF CANOPIES TO FRONT DOOR 5 FFYNNON CEIRW BRYMBO ROAD BWLCHGWYN P/2015/0149- No observations

11. FRACK FREE WREXHAM

The Clerk had received an e-mail from the Frack Free Wrexham group.

The e-mail explained that the group opposed the exploratory drilling for coal bed methane and shale gas at Borras Head. The group welcomed the motion passed by Caia Park Community Council who had declared their area Frackfree and the group called upon Wrexham Council and the Welsh Government likewise to do the same. The group hoped that other CC's would follow the lead of Caia Park CC. The motion passed by Caia Park CC was as follows:

This council recognises the concerns of local residents regarding plans to drill for unconventional gas in the Wrexham area. The drilling process, which may or may not involve hydraulic fracturing ('fracking'), involves pumping a toxic cocktail of chemicals and high-pressure water into the ground to free underground gas. This process will

Risk pollution of our water supply

Endanger the health of local people and animals

Raise the danger of subsidence due to tremors caused by the process

Threaten the environment

Risk disturbing the last resting place of the victims of the Gresford Disaster of 1934.

The only fracking site in the UK has already encountered problems of leaking at the well and there are several well-documented cases in both the USA and Australia of the water table being polluted by leachate from the wells. Only last month, the mayor of New York banned fracking after a rigorous scientific study.

For these reasons, this council resolves:

To oppose fracking and the drilling for unconventional gas

To express support for the protection camp and local residents peacefully resisting the test drilling at Borras Head Farm, Commonwood, Wrexham.

To write to Wrexham Council supporting the decision of its planning committee to refuse planning permission and calling for Wrexham to be declared a Frack-Free zone.

To declare Caia Park a Frack-Free zone.

To call on the Welsh Government to declare a Frack-Free Wales and do all within its powers to enforce that.

Cllr Rogers declared an interest as he was on the planning committee.

Cllr Kelly said that this matter had been discussed at a previous meeting of Minera CC. He said that the current licence did not affect surrounding villages, however this this could change in the future. He said that all areas where mining activity had taken place were a risk as the effect of high pressure water pumping into the ground could be very dangerous. Cllr Shone proposed that Brymbo CC should support and adopt the same motion as that of Caia CC. This was seconded by Cllr Liberatosciol. A vote was taken. There were 7 in favour and 2 against. Cllr Rogers abstained from voting.

12. NOTICEBOARDS

Cllr Rogers had received a report that the noticeboard glass (Offa Street) needed renewing. He said he would obtain a quote.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

WALES IN BLOOM 2015
NORTH WALES JOINT LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN
PLAY FOR WALES
WREXHAM LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN
ALED ROBERTS-REVIEW OF ROADS
KIDNEY WALES FOUNDATION
FLINTSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

14. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2787	DEE VALLEY WATER CAMBRIAN HOUS	E 6.43
2788	JONES LIGHTING MAINTENANCE	1308.46
2790	B M HUGHES SALARY	*
2791	SCOTTISH POWER ENERGY	956.32
2792	B M HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	11.80

The meeting	closed	at 8.28p.m.

Signed C	Chairmar
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