## **BRYMBO**



## CYNGOR CYMUNED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## **Bethan M Hughes Clerk and Financial Officer**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY JANUARY  $9^{TH}$  2018 AT BRYMBO ENTERPRISE CENTRE.

Present (Chairman) Cllr P Rogers

Brymbo Ward- Councillors D Ashworth, Z Clarke, K Mathews, S Monti, L Prince and M Shone

Tanyfron Ward- Councillors T Birch and D Griffiths.

Bwlchgwyn Ward- Councillors J Bassford-Barton, L Steele and M White.

County Borough Councillor D Kelly.

Apologies-PCSO G Jones, Councillors S Rawlinson and D Davies.

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> 2017 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

# 2. POLICING BWLCHGWYN

The main graph shows year to date crimes. The -14.3% decrease is of total crime across the three areas listed:.

A breakdown of the main graph:

Criminal damage & arson

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
0	8	12	-33.3%

#### Vehicle crime

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
0	1	8	-87.5%

## **Burglary residential**

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
0	8	5	60.0%

#### Burglary business & community

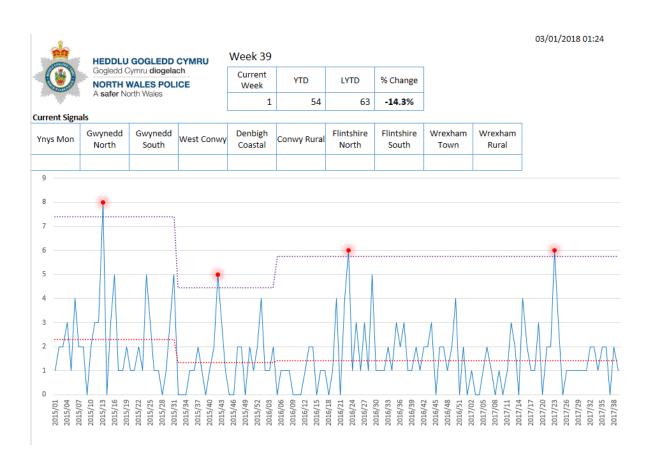
Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
0	0	2	-100%

Theft & handling

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
0	13	12	8.3%

ASB for December 2017 - 1 Personal – 0 Nuisance – 1

Environmental - 0



### **BRYMBO AND TANYFRON**

<u>WRW 15 Brymbo and Tanyfron</u> – Main graph which shows year to date crime. The increase in percentage of total crime in the ward is due to pervious months Burglary residential / Theft and Handling relating to Power Tools stolen from sheds and garages.

Criminal damage & arson

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
	33	42	-21.4%
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December-Nil

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Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
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	11	9	22.2%
0			

December- Nil

**Burglary residential** 

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
	21	9	133.3%
0			

December- Nil

**Burglary business & community** 

Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change
0	5	0	0.00%

December- Nil

Theft & handling

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Ī	Current week	YTD	LYTD	% change	
	0	20	9	188.9%	

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A safer North Wales

Week 40

Current Week	YTD	LYTD	% Change	
3	226	138	63.8%	

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Current Signals

Ynys Mon	Gwynedd North	Gwynedd South	West Conwy	Denbigh Coastal	Conwy Rural	Flintshire North	Flintshire South	Wrexham Town	Wrexham Rural



December – 6/12/2017 High Street (Parcel left by Courier), 25/12/2017 Bryn y FFynnon (Car keys)

ASB for December 2017 – 5/12/2017 St Albans Road Tanyfron (neighbours), 8/12/2017 Cheshire View (snowballs) 9/12/2017 Cheshire View (snowballs) x2, 10/12/2017 Phoenix Drive (snowballs), 12/12/2017 Fairfield (snowballs), 12/12/2017 Bloom Avenue (snowballs), and 14/12/2017 Cambrian Court Railway Road (snowballs), College Fields Tanyfron (Drunk)

PCSO Jones had sent his apologies as it was his rest day.

The Chairman said that anti-social behaviour had decreased over the Christmas period and Highways had been pro-active over the New Year.

Cllr Shone noted an increase in burglaries over the period. Cllr Kelly told members that there had also been an increase in diesel theft recently. Also a vehicle had been taken after a house break in the previous night.

#### 3. COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Kelly told members that he was still looking into the situation of limited bus services after the closure of D Jones. He said the service to Minera and Bwlchgwyn was limited to a day time service at present. Cllr Rogers told members that the Arriva depot. Was full to capacity at present and therefore meant they could not offer to take on more routes. He said it was very difficult to find operators who were willing to take on new routes. Cllr Kelly said that bus services throughout wales were in meltdown at the moment with the situation being similar across the country. Cllr Kelly advised the Councillors of Bwlchgwyn to consider the application for funding for Bwlchgwyn cabin crew carefully as BCC had been very generous to the organisation over previous years. He said that the Environmental Budget for the village should be spent for the benefit of all residents. He said that members should consider the implications of donating a large sum of the fund to one organisation. Cllr Rogers told members that there was a piece of land in Tanyfron that was being cleared with trees being removed etc. He had at that moment via e-mail received information that the land was possible not registered to Brymbo Developments as was originally thought. The e-mail said that they would seek clarification and get back to him. WCBC were also looking into the situation in case of a breach of planning regulations.

### 4. ROADS

Cllr Rogers said that WCBC had made a very good job of trimming trees on Heritage Way and Blast Road.

# 5. BUS SHELTER SERVICES AND STOPS No further information.

#### 6. PLAYING FIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Cllr Rogers told members that the play equipment for the Tanyfron play area had been ordered and work should be completed by the Easter holidays.

Cllr Rogers said that a few issues needed to be resolved at Bronwens Green to enable the sub-committee to move forward with the improvements on the site. Cllr Prince had worked hard in obtaining 3 quotes for a container. The cheapest quote came in at £1975.00 & VAT. Cllr Birch proposed, and Cllr Mathews seconded that this quote be accepted. A vote was taken. All were in favour. Cllr Rogers said that there had been a problem with fly-tipping and site maintenance. He requested a sub-

committee meeting be set up to discuss the options available with regards to regular litter clearance. Cllr Rogers said that the sub-committee would review all other things that needed upgrading in order that the job is done properly and the site is easier to maintain in future. The sub-committee would bring the proposals back to the full Council.

#### 7. FOOTPATHS/LIGHTING

Cllr White had obtained a quote for a new lamp outside Bwlchgwyn School. The cost for this was £840.50. Cllr Steele proposed and Cllr Prince seconded that the lamp be financed from the lighting budget. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

#### 8. WAR MEMORIAL

Cllr Bassford-Barton told members that the War Memorial in Bwlchgwyn needed addressing. The Clerk said that an agreement had been made in November for the Councillors to advise the CC of what work needed doing. She requested that a list be provided in order that the works needed could be reviewed.

#### 9. PLANNING

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING CONSERVATORY AND ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND INTERNAL ALTERATONS
P/2017/0833 APPEAL TY CARREG VICARAGE ROAD BRYMBO-No observations.

CONVERSION OF OUTBUILDING TO RESIDENTIAL USE 1 DWELLING TOGETHER WITH SINGLE GARAGE AND EXTENSION TO GRAIGWEN FARMHOUSE

GRAIGWEN FARM BRYMBO ROAD BWLCHGWYN P/2017/1061-No observations.

CHANGE OF USE OF LAND TO CREAT EXTENSION TO EXISITING RESIDENTIAL CARAVAN SITE 4 NO .PITCHES FOR THE PURPOSE OF OCCUPATION OF THE APPLICANT AND DEPENDANTS AS IDENTIFIED IN PLANNING APEAL REF :APP H/ 6955/A/16/3144761 FORMER STABLES B5101 SOUTHSEA WREXHAM P/2018/004-Observations made.

ERECTION OF TEMPORARY DWELLING IN CONNECTION WITH FARMING ENTERPRISE (IN RETROSPECT)
THE FLASH GLASCOED ROAD BWLCHGWYN WREXHAM P/2018/0011 Observations made

#### 10. QUARTERLY ACCOUNTS

The Clerk had prepared a detailed account of the last quarter. All income and expenditure was listed. The Clerk gave all members a copy of the accounts. The Chairman and RFO signed the bank reconciliation.

### 11. ARGOED PLAY AREA

Cllr Rogers told members that approx. £13,000.00 was due from a housing development to invest in a play area in Cheshire View. He also told members that

Mountain View play area was deteriorating and would need money spent on it. WCBC were looking at what essential items needed repairing and improving on in both areas which would add value. As a result of vandalism at Argoed, spending would need to be made to improve the site and make it safe. Cllr Shone said that if it was an asset that belonged to WCBC and the CC could not spend its revenue on funding this. Cllr Rogers said if the CC did not fund the maintenance the play area would be removed. Cllr Kelly clarified this and said that if new equipment was needed the onus would be on the CC to supply it. Cllr Kelly said as times had changed the rubber flooring that had been used in the past was now a liability. There were now other surface materials which were safer and more vandal proof. Cllr Rogers said that the damage to the fencing alone could cost up to £8900.00 and to make the surface safe another £200.00. WCBC were looking into this as well. Cllr Shone said that if the CC were duty bound to financing the play areas the assets should be transferred to the CC and placed on the asset register for insurance purposes. Cllr Rogers said that members should wait for WCBC to come back with further costing's in order that members could discuss this further.

#### 12. DONATIONS

2 requests had been received. The donation budget had £900.00 remaining for the financial year. The first donation was to Nightingale House and the second to Family and Friends.

Cllr Shone proposed, and Cllr Griffiths seconded that the remaining budget be split between both charities.

A donation of £450.00 should be made to each.

A vote was taken. All were in favour.

A request from Bwlchgwyn cabin crew was also considered as they had requested funding of £5873.22 for the purpose of erecting a sheltered area to make full use of outdoor space during the winter months. As this was a large request and exceeded the donation budget, all 3 Bwlchgwyn Councillors had agreed that the funding be granted from the Bwlchgwyn Environmental Fund. As there were insufficient funds available they asked that the remainder of the fund be granted to this organisation. The value of this was £5228.00.Cllr Shone asked if the facility was used by children outside the area. Cllr Kelly said that the children who attended would move to Bwlchgwyn School. Cllr Steele said that the children who attended the club were in the catchment area of Bwlchgwyn School and would therefore enrol at the school. She said that the club also brought employment to the area. Cllr Birch proposed and Cllr Bassford-Barton seconded that the amount of £5228.00 to be granted to the organisation from the Bwlchgwyn Environmental Fund. A vote was taken. All were in favour.

#### 13. OFFA STREET BUS SHELTER

Cllr Rogers had received a request from a resident asking for the removal of the bus shelter on Offa Street due to anti-social behaviour. Members said that this shelter was used by many residents as it was on the main bus route. The cost of removing the shelter would have to be met by BCC. No complaints of anti-social behaviour had been made in the last year. Cllr Mathews said that the shelter should not be removed because of anti-social behaviour as anti-social behaviour was happening on play areas and other areas of the village and the answer was not to remove facilities as the problem would merely move elsewhere. Cllr Rogers said that the PCSO had

been in contact with the resident and he would request that contact remain for reassurance.

## 14. CLERKS ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW.

The Chairman requested the public leave the room and the Clerk also left. Upon her return the Chairman said that the Clerks pay increase would be in line with SLCC pay scales and annual increments as in previous years.

# 15. CORRESPONDENCE None.

## 16. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

3185	BTRT HIRE OF ROOM 14/11	30.00
3186	JONES LIGHTING MAIN DEC	973.30
3187	B HUGHES REFUND OF POSTAGES	7.15
3188	B M HUGHES SALARY	*
3189	WCBC SHERRATT BRON GREEN	3534.00
3190	S OWER ENERGY	1061.26
3191	<b>CONTAINERS DIRECT BRON GREEN</b>	2370.00

The meeting closed at 8.25p.m.

Signed ...... Chairman