



CYNGOR CYMUNED DYSERTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Dyserth Community Council,

Held Virtually by Video and Telephone Conference,

On Monday, 11th July, 2022, at 7.00pm.

1(A). 134/22

SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillor Julie Peters signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office, following being co-opted to the Council at the June 2022 Council meeting:

1(B). 135/22

PRESENT

Councillor Andy Hughes (Chair of Council)
Councillor Dave Parry (Vice Chair of Council)
Councillor John Glover
Councillor David G. Jones
Councillor Delyth Lloyd-Williams
Councillor Haydn Owen
Councillor Allan Pennington
Councillor Julie Peters
Councillor Anne R. Rogers
Councillor Margaret G. Williams

Clerk & Financial Officer R. Phillip Parry

1(C). 136/22

APOLOGIES

Councillor Emyr Morris

Councillor David G. Williams (Denbighshire County Council)

1(D). 137/22

ABSENT

None

2. 138/22

PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

- (i) **Virtual Attendance by: Claire Cunnah and Gareth Davies (Denbighshire Youth Service)**

There was no attendance by the above Officers.

- (ii) The Clerk advised that a request had been received for a dog / litter bin to be installed in the area of Graig Fawr. The Clerk advised as this footway is in the ownership of the National Trust, he had contacted the Trust, which advised the following: The Trust are aware of the complaints and are currently in discussion with Denbighshire County Council, to install a bin, which the Trust will pay for, including the emptying.
- (iii) Complaint from a resident whose property on Cwm Road backs onto the King George play area field. Concerns expressed in relation to criminal damage to the property fence, youth congregating in the area and drug paraphilia.

The Clerk advised that the resident had been informed to contact the Police in relation to the criminal damage and anti-social behaviour.

As Further drug paraphilia had been found in another area of Dyserth, the local PCSO Alex Jones had been invited to attend this evening's Council meeting remotely. The Clerk advised that there had been no reply from the PCSO.

3. 139/22

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

4. 140/22

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 13TH JUNE 2022

The Minutes were proposed by Councillor Margaret Williams and seconded by Councillor Delyth Lloyd-Williams as correct and formally agreed by the Members present.

5. 141/22

PROGRESS REPORT ON MATTERS RAISED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Clerk referred to the following matters from previous Minutes:

- (1) **Minute no: 5.122/23 (2) (page 2)** – in relation to speed activated signage in Dyserth High Street. The Clerk advised that a County Highways Officer had contacted the clerk, as follows: The County have analysed the speed data for Dyserth and one place has been flagged travelling from Rhuddlan to Dyserth. The Clerk had replied to advise, that this Council were aware of this particular road, as it was the Dyserth Council who requested the traffic census, which produced the statistics. The County Highway Officer offered a portable speed signage unit to be placed in Dyserth High Street.

Members agreed the following: Accepted the offer for the deployment of a mobile flashing speed indication sign to be placed in Dyserth High Street.

(2)

(i) **Minute no: 5.122/23 (3) (page 2)** – in relation to the Dyserth Kilns project. The Clerk recollected to Members that to accommodate the picnic bench seating, a concrete ramp was required from Lower Foel road to assist with accessibility, together with two concrete bases for the seating to be made secure. Councillor David Parry had kindly met with one company on site, who had provided a quotation. Members were advised of the contents.

Members agreed the following: Two further quotations to be sourced.

(ii) The Clerk recollected to Members the acceptance of a quotation to complete a secure compound for the use of Dyserth Junior Football Club. Unfortunately the contractor is unable to complete the work. The Clerk provided details of the two other quotations that had been received from the project.

Members agreed the following: Accepted the quotation from G J Landscapes at a cost of £6,650.00 – an increase of £163.55 from the original accepted quotation.

(3) **Minute no: 5.122/23 (4) (page 3)** – in relation to official no dog fouling signage in the King George Recreational and football pitch areas. The Clerk advised that the County Enforcement Officer had visited the area and identified locations for updated signage. The County Council have agreed to purchase and install the signage at no cost to this Council.

6. 142/22

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT (CLLR DAVID G. WILLIAMS)

In County Councillor David Williams' absence the Clerk advised in relation to the following:

- (1) Request to Denbighshire's Chief Highway Officers to arrange a site meeting in Dyserth High Street, to discuss phase two of the traffic alleviate scheme. Councillor Williams has been advised that costings for phase two have been received, whereby a site meeting will be arranged in the near future.
- (2) Request for a further dog bin in the area of Maes Esgob.
- (3) Concern in relation to vegetation restricting water flow in the River Ffyddion, Dyserth – in the area of the New Inn and Church.

7(A). 143/22

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence had been received, that was required to be either advised to, or dealt with by the Members:

- (a) The Clerk advised, that the following criminal offences had been reported to the North Wales Police, that had occurred within the Dyserth Community Council area:

7 x Anti-social behaviour / 1 x Criminal damage / 1 x Theft / 2 x Other crimes

- (b) Denbighshire County Council: Notification received to-day 11th July advising that the mandatory Councillor training will be held tomorrow 12th July between 3.00pm and 4.30pm and Wednesday 13th between 5.00pm and 6.30pm. There will be another session held on 21st September. The Clerk had replied and stated: It was ridiculous to provide a days notice to

such an important training session, and in particular, as to the time of the sessions, which will impact the working Councillor. Councillors were forwarded the e-mail and asked to consider placing one of the training dates in their diary.

The following correspondence was forwarded by e-mail to Members:

- ❖ Welsh Government: Good Councillors Guide – 2022 (Bilingual copies)
- ❖ Awel Y Mor Offshore Windfarm: Newsletter
- ❖ Welsh Government: Shaping Wales' Future: Members to complete survey on a personal basis
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Link to the latest edition of Denbighshire County Voice
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Biodiversity Projects in Denbighshire (information forwarded to Councillor David Parry)

7(B). 144/22

CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk advised Members in relation to the following:

- (a) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales. The Clerk advised the following:
 - (i) Under Section 151 of the Local Government Measure 2011, the Annual return for the statement of payments to Members had been submitted for the period 2021 / 2022.
 - (ii) The Clerk recollects Members to the mandatory payment to Councillors of £150.00, under the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales recommendation. The Clerk advised, that a claim form would be sent to all Council Members following the meeting, and asked that all Councillors either complete the payment request form, or write by e-mail advising that the payment will not be claimed.
- (b) Notification from Sion Winter (Manager – Dyserth Junior Football Club) in relation to the Under 9's tournament to be held in Dyserth on Saturday 3rd July. Councillors were aware that the event was a success and congratulated Sion and his team.
- (c) The following footpath concern reported to Denbighshire Rights of Way: Next to Penrhaedr in Bryn Y Felin – the dangerous condition of the steps - which has been reported previously to Rights of Way.
- (d) Further complaint to Denbighshire County Rights of Way, in relation to the condition of the footpath between Weavers Lane and Waterfall Road. Foliage requires removing.
- (e) Request from Councillor David Parry, seeking the Clerk to write to Denbighshire County Council, to thank their operatives from removing a sofa and other items from the areas of High Street and Thomas Avenue. The Clerk advised, that following the note sent to Denbighshire, a reply had been received, which stated: The County appreciate the compliment, which would be forwarded to staff.

7(C). 145/22

TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS TO THE 30TH JUNE 2022

The Clerk, as Financial Officer, provided Members virtually with a copy of the Quarterly Statement of Accounts, as at the end of June 2022 (electronic copies sent prior to the meeting), together with copies of the Council Bank account statements. The Clerk further provided Members, with a breakdown in relation to the budget headings, which included income and expenditure to-date.

Members agreed the following: Approved the Statement of Accounts, whereby the document was agreed to be signed by the Chair, Councillor Andy Hughes.

7(D). 146/22

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021: STATUTORY GUIDANCE FOR COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS

Annual Report: The Clerk recollected and provided further information to Members from the above Act, whereby from May of this year, all Town & Community Councils in Wales are required to produce an annual report. Whilst both the Society of Local Councils and One Voice Wales had endeavoured to obtain guidance from the Government as to the format for the report, it was only in late June, that a directive containing the guidance was received. The Clerk advised that he would produce a draft report for consideration by Council at the September meeting, with a copy sent to Members prior for perusal.

Training Plan: The Clerk also recollected and provided further information to Members in relation to the required training plan for both Councillors and Clerk, that was required by the above Act to be published by November 2022. No guidance had been received to-date.

8(A). 147/22

NOMINATIONS TO SERVE ON LOCAL COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES (ADJOURNED FROM MAY MEETING)

Nominations To Serve On Local Committees and Outside Bodies (To be further reviewed)

Members agreed the following: Approved the list of Council Members to serve on various Local Committees and Outside Bodies. One amendment was made to the Dyserth Community Hall; Councillor Emyr Morris to replace Councillor Delyth Lloyd-Williams.

8(B). 148/22

REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS (COMMITTEES, LIAISON & MEETINGS ATTENDED)

- (i) Councillor Delyth Lloyd-Williams provided Members with information from a recent virtual presentation which she had attended, held by the Awel Y Môr Offshore Windfarm Company. Councillor Lloyd Williams also advised, that the presentation was extremely informative and had requested the presentation slides - which had been forwarded to all Members by the Clerk.
- (ii) Councillor Andy Hughes advised, that the Community Hall have decided not to hold a summer event, but would arrange a Christmas event.

9(A). 149/22

PLANNING

- No applications received from Denbighshire Planning

9(B). 150/22

PLANNING DECISIONS

The following planning decisions have been received from Denbighshire County Council:

- (i) Application number: 42/2022/0365 – for the erection of single and two storey extensions to front of dwelling, alterations to roof form habitable accommodation in roof space and associated works, at 2 The Croft, Waterfall Road, Dyserth. Granted.
- (ii) Application number: 42/2022/0156 – for the erection of two storey extensions to side and rear of dwelling, at 8 Lower Foel road, Dyserth. Granted.

10. 151/22

ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (A) SEEKING A ROAD CLOSURE (B) REFRESHMENTS FOR ATTENDEES (C) PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM (CLLR DAVID PARRY)

Councillor David Parry recollected Members to last year’s Remembrance Sunday, and in particular, the difficulty in hearing the Clergy and other representatives speaking, together with the traffic noise during the two minutes silence.

Councillor Allan Pennington provided guidance of his experience of arranging Remembrance Sunday Services, as Chair of the local Royal British Legion. Councillor Julie Peters offered assistance with the loan of a portable public announcement system, and offer of refreshments following the service at the Red Lion in lower Dyserth.

Members agreed the following: (1) Thanked Councillor Julie Peters for the loan of the Public Announcement system and refreshments following the service – which were accepted and appreciated (2) The Clerk to seek information from Denbighshire County Highways, in relation to a possible road closure during the service.

11. 152/22

TO DISCUSS: FORMER BUS SHELTER & PUBLIC CONVENIENCES IN DYSEARTH HIGH STREET (CLLR ANDY HUGHES)

Councillor Andy Hughes recollected Members to the former bus shelter and public conveniences building sited just off the Dyserth High Street that has been boarded up for a number of years. The building is apparently for sale by auction.

Councillors discussed the former usage of the building, including the current condition and possible future use.

Members agreed the following: (1) Expressed a provisional interest to purchase the building (2) Enquiries to be made with the Estate Agent (3) As there is no Council meeting held in August, the Chair and Vice Chair to agree to call an extraordinary meeting to discuss further, if required.

12. 153/22

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Cheque	Payee	Net £	Vat £	Total £

Number	<u>Payments made – to be confirmed:</u>		
	Standing Order: R. P. Parry - Clerk to Council (Monthly salary & home working allowance for June) Payments dated 01/07/2022		
	<u>Payments consideration at meeting to be paid by BACS:</u>		
	Katy Bincham (Summer paint theme on High Street bus shelter)	100.00	100.00
	Louise Walsh (Environmental Services & Inspections of Play Area for June)	40.00	40.00

13. 154/22

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Cheque Number	Name of organisation	Amount granted £
	No applications received	

14. 155/22

Members agreed the payments of the above accounts as listed.

15(A). 156/22

STANDING ORDERS WERE SUSPENDED:

- (i) Councillor Allan Pennington advised Members of his concern with an encroachment of foliage on the B5119 Waterfall Road just prior to the junction with the A547 Road. Councillor Pennington would make contact with Denbighshire.
- (ii) It was reported that County Councillor David Williams and former Dyserth Councillor Edgar Jones were currently not to well.

Members agreed the following: A speedy recovery message to be sent to County Councillor David Williams and former Councillor Edgar Jones

15(B). 157/22

STANDING ORDERS WERE RE-INSTATED:

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

SIGNED BY CHAIR OF COUNCIL

DATE OF APPROVAL.....