



CYNGOR CYMUNED DYSERTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Dyserth Community Council,

Held Virtually by Video and Telephone Conference,

On Monday, 12th April, 2021, at 7.00pm.

**1(A). 62/21
PRESENT**

Councillor John Glover (Chair)
Councillor David H. Parry
Councillor Mrs. Julie M. Peters
Councillor James K. Williams
Councillor Mrs. Margaret G. Williams

Clerk & Financial Officer R. Phillip Parry

**1(B). 63/21
APOLOGIES**

Councillor Trebor E. Evans
Councillor H. Andrew Hughes
Councillor David G. Jones
Councillor Edgar H. Jones
Councillor Emyr W. Morris
Councillor Peter Newell

Councillor David G. Williams (Denbighshire County Council)

**1(C). 64/21
Standing Orders were Suspended**

The Chair of Council, Councillor John Glover, welcomed Cathy Jackson (Play & Stay at Dyserth) to the meeting.

Cathy advised, that a site meeting had been held with Richard Roberts from Aura Leisure, in relation to the proposed removal of the Spacenet and installation of new replacement play equipment. Cathy had also met with the play area equipment company that had recently installed the newer play area equipment for Play & Stay at Dyserth.

Members were shown virtually by Cathy a number of possible suitable replacement play items, together with costings. Members were also shown virtually by the Clerk, suitable play area

equipment to replace the Spacenet; which has been supplied by Aura Leisure. The costings for this equipment included the removal of the Spacenet, together with groundworks for the installation of new equipment.

Cathy further advised, that the sum of £12,200.00 was held in the Stay & Play at Dyserth bank account; which had been received as a grant towards new play equipment. Depending on the type of equipment agreed, there would be a shortfall of between £6,000.00 to £8,000.00. Cathy further advised, that she would be advertising the various items of equipment to the Dyserth parents and guardians; seeking their preference.

The following was agreed between Council Members and Cathy Jackson (Play & Stay at Dyserth):
(1) Cathy to advertise the various items of equipment, to seek the preference **(2)** Cathy to obtain a quotation for the chosen item of play equipment; which includes the cost of removal of the Spacenet; and to include the groundworks for both removal of the Spacenet and installation of the new equipment **(3)** The Council to provide financial assistance of between £6,000.00 to £8,000.00 towards the project. **(Minute number: 4. 68/21 (1) below on this page).**

1(D). 65/21

Standing Orders were Re-instated

2. 66/21

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were no Disclosure of Interest Declared

3. 67/21

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 8TH MARCH, 2021

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

4. 68/21

MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk referred to the following matters from previous Minutes:

- (1) Minute no: 1(C). 48/21 (pages 1 and 2)** – in relation to removing the space net and installation of replacement play area equipment: The Clerk recollected Members to the attendance by Cathy Jackson (Play & Stay at Dyserth) **Minute number: 1(C). 64/21 on page 1 and top of this page 2.**

Members agreed the following: Confirmed; their commitment to provide financial assistance of between £6,000.00 to £8,000.00 towards the project.

- (2) Minute no: 4. 52/21 (1) (page 2)** – in relation to a quotation received for the jet washing of the Play and MUGA areas. The Clerk recollected Members that at the March Council meeting; it was agreed that Councillors' David Parry and Margaret Williams visit the play area and MUGA; to confirm, the condition. Both Councillors' advised, that they were in agreement with the power washing of both the above areas.

The Clerk provided the quotation details; which included the delivery of water to the site. The Clerk advised, that the Bowling Club had confirmed; that the Pavilion water supply could be used on a chargeable basis.

Members agreed the following: Accepted part of the quotation that had been procured by Aura Leisure; as follows: (1) Jet washing of MUGA (cold water) £600.00 (2) Jet washing of soft play areas (hot water) £1,162.00 (3) Prior to the above power washing; Aura to spray moss killer over the areas at a cost of approximately 2 hours work; together with cost of chemical estimated at £100.00.

- (3) **Minute no: 5. 53/21 (page 3)** – in relation to the Dyserth High Street traffic alleviation scheme; and in particular, to a site meeting held on Tuesday 11th March at 10.00am in Dyserth High Street. In attendance at the meeting: Chair of Dyserth Council, Councillor John Glover; County Councillor David Williams; Denbighshire County Councillor together with two Officers; High Street business premises owner.

Councillor John Glover advised, that the meeting had been productive. A layby will be constructed between the Spar and Pharmacy premises in the very near future; with further work to be completed at the junction to James Park, later in the year

- (4) **Minute no: 6(B). 55/21 (page 5)** – in relation to Dyserth Lime Kilns:

- The Clerk advised, that following an initial enquiry to the Gwynt Y Mor Windfarm Community Grant Administrators Office; and following further discussions; the Council were able to make an application to the Fund towards the Dyserth Lime Kiln project. The Clerk further advised, in relation to the application form criteria, the funding amount available, together with the information required. The Clerk recollects Members to the various costings of the project, including the timescale for applications to be made to the fund.
- Councillor David Parry advised; that due to the nesting season, any clearing of the trees will have to await until later in the year.

Members agreed the following: (1) The Clerk to make a formal application to the Gwynt Y Mor Windfarm Community Grant; for the felling and clearing of trees, vegetation, together with the levelling of the ground around the kilns and new safety gate to an existing kiln entrance; together with three picnic tables. The Council will purchase further picnic tables, interpretation & other boards, including the design and printing of promotional leaflets. The Clerk to forward to Councillor David Parry, a bench seating brochure.

5. 69/21

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

In the absence of Councillor David Williams; the Clerk advised Members in relation to the following:

- (1) Dyserth Flood Prevention Scheme. Councillor Williams has further written to Denbighshire County Council (Flood Risk Manager) together with Dr. James Davies Member of Parliament for the area.
- (2) Complaint from resident in relation to the noise emanating from the highway following re-tarmacking; A5151 Dyserth to Rhuddlan Road. Denbighshire Highways will respond to the resident.
- (3) Concern expressed by residents in relation to the soakaway aspect for surface water contained in the planning application at the former Quarry; off Dyserth High Street. Councillor Williams has sought a site meeting with the Planning Officer.

6(A). 70/21

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:

3 x Violence / 1 x Anti-social behaviour

- (b) Draft Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill. The Clerk recollected to Members that a link to the Draft Bill had been set prior to the meeting by e-mail for perusal. The Clerk highlighted a number of proposed recommendations that were contained in the document, which included the following paragraphs, General Power of Competence and Promoting Access to Local Government.

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

- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Survey in relation to the following: Proposed Control of Dogs PSPO Denbighshire.
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of outstanding Natural Beauty.
- ❖ Welsh Government: Further information in relation to the 'Implementation of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Dog Fouling.
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Hairdressers and Barbers re-opening.

6(B). 71/21

CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) The Clerk recollected to Members; an exchange of e-mails in relation to a local artist painting an Easter theme on the Dyserth High Street glass bus shelter. The artist had painted similar themes on a number of shop business windows in the High Street; whereby the Chair and Vice Chair had agreed that the Community Council would fund the bus shelter Easter theme painting. The had also been agreed by Members by e-mail. Denbighshire County Council, as owners of the shelter had agreed. Members perused virtual photographs of the bus shelter Easter theme. The Clerk further advised; that Denbighshire had placed the photographs on their social media pages.

Members agreed the following: Confirmed the cost of £100.00

Councillor David Parry – Reported the following to Denbighshire County Council:

- (i) Damage to metal gate in area of children's play area. Members were shown photographs of the gate virtually. The Clerk advised; that the Chair and Vice chair had agreed the urgent repair; at a cost of £60.00 plus VAT.

Members agreed the following: Confirmed the cost of £60.00

- (ii) Metal fence panel in hedge alongside the Bowling Green. The metal was a danger to pedestrians and vehicles. Members were shown photographs of the metal panel virtually. The Clerk advised; that the Chair and Vice chair had agreed the urgent removal of the panel; at a cost of £20.00 plus VAT. The Clerk had advised the Bowling Club Committee.

Members agreed the following: Confirmed the cost of £20.00

- (iii) The following was reported to Denbighshire County Council Customer Services Department; A large amount of leylandii tree cuttings from a property on Waterfall Road; had been dumped on and alongside the footpath at the rear of one of the premises.
- (iv) Tree branches cut for a property in Carreg Heilin Lane; and dumped in the Lane. Fortunately a Police vehicle was in the area; whereby a Police Officer spoke with the property owner.
- (v) 2 x broken wood slats on the boardwalk: Top of Pandy Lane to Carreg Heilin area.
- (vi) **Closed Footpaths:** Councillor Parry has enquired with Denbighshire Public Rights Of Way in relation to the present position; to the following currently closed footpaths
 - (1) Rear of the Waterfall
 - (2) Below the Anglia Development. Reply received from the County Highways Information Manager: The site developer has made some improvements; whereby the County have engaged a structural engineer to examine the work. If it is concluded that the bank is now stable; the footpath will be reopened.

6(C). 72/21

TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS FOR 2020 / 2021

The Clerk, as Financial Officer, had provided Members by e-mail prior to the meeting, with copies of the end of year Statement of Financial Accounts; for the year ending 2020 / 2021. The Clerk advised Members further, in relation to the budget analysis; together with the end of year balances, including a number of outstanding work orders that had not been completed to date; which total £7,002.00. The invoices, when received, for these work orders; will be payable from the 2021 / 2022 financial year.

Members agreed the following: Approved the end of year accounts for the financial year 2020 / 2021. As the Council meeting was held by video conference, the Clerk to obtain the signature of the Chair of Council on the Statement of Accounts in due course.

6(D). 73/21

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF THE DATE FOR THE EXERCISE OF ELECTORS' RIGHTS

The Clerk advised, that the above Public Notice was displayed on the Council web site and one notice board within the Council area; on the 2nd April, 2021. The commencement date for inspection of accounts and documents; from 20th August, 2021 to 17th September, 2021.

7. 74/21

REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS (COMMITTEES, LIAISON & MEETINGS ATTENDED)

- ❖ Councillor Margaret Williams advised; that the following work had been completed by the Dyserth Waterfall Committee; bridge repair and drainage clearance. A fence will be erected on the car park side of the Waterfall grounds.

8(A). 75/21 PLANNING

The following planning application had been received:

- (a) Application number: 42/2021/0202; for the removal of a Monkey Puzzle Tree, at The Cottage, Bryn y Felin, Dyserth.

Comment by Council: No objection to the application.

(The above application was sent to Members for consultation in-between meetings, due to statutory time limits for observations from County Planning).

8(B). 76/21 Members formally confirmed the above decision.

8(C). 77/21 The following planning application was considered by Members at the meeting:

- Application number: 42/2021/0278 – for variation of condition number 2; od planning permission code no: 42/2020/0619; to allow amended house types and site layout, at Land off Meliden Road, Dyserth.

Comment by Council: No objection to the application.

8(D). 78/21 PLANNING DECISIONS

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

- (i) Application number: 42/2021.0062 – for alterations to existing conservatory, replacement of balcony and balustrade, installation of velux rooflights and replacement windows, block envelope rendered and associated works, at Cartref, Bryn y Felin, Dyserth. Granted.
- (ii) Application number: 22/2020/0619 – for erection of 34 no dwellings and associated works, at Land off Meliden Road, Dyserth. Granted.
- (iii) 42/2020/0428 – for erection of 2 no additional dwellings (Plots 62 and 63) at the existing development previously approved under code no: 42/2018/0923, at Land off Meliden Road, Dyserth. Granted.

9. 79/21 TO DISCUSS: PRESERVATION ORDERS ON TREES – SITED BETWEEN JAMES PARK AND HIRADDUG PARK (CLLR DAVID JONES)

In the absence of Councillor David Jones, the Clerk advised, that Councillor Jones wishes the Council to consider a number of Tree Preservation Orders; in an area sited between James Park and Hiraddug Road.

Members viewed the area virtually, including the criteria for the making of such an order that had been received from Denbighshire County Council; as follows:

'A Tree Preservation Order is an order made by the local Council which makes it an offence to cut down, top, top, uproot, wilfully damage or destroy a tree, or undertake works to trees without the planning authority's permission'.

'Please note, the Council will only make a Tree Preservation Order if it can be demonstrated the tree is under threat and that the tree contributes significantly to the amenity of the area and is worthy of protection. The tree would therefore need to be healthy and stable, be clearly visible from a public space and its removal would significantly harm the appearance of the local area'.

'If, however, you wish the Council to consider the tree for a Tree Preservation Order, you would need to submit a plan clearly identifying the exact location of the tree, provide some photographs of the tree (both up close and from public views of the tree), and you would also need to provide some evidence the tree is healthy and stable, and is under threat'.

Members agreed the following: To collate the information and evidence required to enable a Tree Preservation Order application to be made to Denbighshire County Council. Councillor David Parry agreed to provide assistance to Councillor David Jones.

10. 80/21

TO FURTHER DISCUSS: CWM ROAD PARKING (CLLR JOHN GLOVER)

Councillor John Glover advised Members; that he had been requested to seek that the Council further discuss the inconsiderate vehicle parking in the area of Cwm Road. A suggestion for the installation of yellow lines, including bollards on the easterly side of the road had been received.

During Members discussions; the following concerns were highlighted should yellow lines be installed: Would cause more disruption and increase inconsiderate parking along the road; properties with driveways have more vehicles than can be accommodated; some properties do not have driveways; no alternative car parking within the Cwm Road area.

Whilst Members agreed, that inconsiderate parking on Cwm Road is a cause of concern; there are a number of other roads within the Council area that also have inconsiderate vehicle parking. Members were advised, that a very low number of vehicles are parking in an inconsiderate manner.

Members agreed the following: (1) Not to request Denbighshire County Council to consider yellow lines parking restrictions / bollards on Cwm Road (2) Councillors to take photographs of vehicles who park in an inconsiderate manner and forward to the Clerk; whereafter, the Clerk will seek the assistance of the Police.

11. 81/21

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

| Cheque Number | Payee | Net £ | Vat £ | Total £ |
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| | <p><u>Payments made – to be confirmed:</u></p> <p>Standing Order: R. P. Parry - Clerk to Council (Monthly salary & home working allowance for March) Payments dated 01/04/2021</p> <p><u>Payments for confirmation and consideration at meeting to be paid by BACS:</u></p> | | | |

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| Dyserth Concrete (Dave Ellis) Payment as previously accepted quotation for the installation of new Christmas Tree risers in Dyserth High Street and the Waterfall. (Payment authorised in-between meetings by two Councillor bank signatories) | 420.00 | | 420.00 |
| Katy Bincham (Easter Theme Painting) (Payment authorised in-between meetings by two Councillor bank signatories) | 100.00 | | 100.00 |
| Information Commissioner Office (Registration renewal) | 40.00 | | 40.00 |
| Glascoed Timber (Dog bin emptying: October 2020 to March 2021) | 1,414.00 | 282.88 | 1,697.28 |
| MJW Welding & Fabrication) Repairs to metal gate in children's play area and removal of metal in hedge (as per Clerk's report) | 80.00 | 16.00 | 96.00 |
| Louise Walsh (Environmental Services & Inspections of Play Area for March) | 50.00 | | 50.00 |

12. 82/21

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

| Cheque Number | Name of organisation | Amount granted £ |
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| | <u>Authorised to be paid by BACS:</u> | |
| | Dyserth Times (Re-imbusement of purchase of Easter Eggs for Dyserth School children: Easter Egg Competition) (Section 137 LGA 1972) | 201.00 |

13. 83/21

Members agreed the payments of the above accounts and financial support as listed.

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

SIGNED BY CHAIR OF COUNCIL

DATE OF APPROVAL.....