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**Minutes of the Meeting of Dyserth Community Council,**

**Held Virtually by Video and Telephone Conference,**

**On Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2021, at 7.00pm.**

**No Council meeting was held in August**

**1(A). 145/21**

**PRESENT**

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

Councillor David G. Williams (Denbighshire County Council)

Clerk & Financial Officer R. Phillip Parry

**1(B). 146/21**

**APOLOGIES**

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

**1(C). 147/21**

**Standing Orders were suspended:**

Chair of Council Councillor David Parry welcomed PCSO Alex Jones to the virtual meeting.

PCSO Jones advised Members in relation to concerns with off-road bikers, drug usage and parking in a number of areas, especially in Cwm Road. 35 criminal offences had been reported to the Police in the past month. Provided information on a new Community Police Alert system.

Councillors discussed the following concerns with PCSO Jones: Vehicles driving around Dyserth with loud exhausts; parking in the area of James Park (parking for a number of weeks); vehicles parking over the allowed 45 minutes; parking on the zig zag lines in the area of Ysgol Hiraddug.

Councillor David Parry thanked PCSO Alex Jones for attending the meeting.

#### **1(D). 148/21**

**Standing Orders were restored:**

#### **2. 149/21**

##### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

#### **3. 150/21**

##### **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2021**

The Minutes were proposed by Councillor Andrew Hughes and seconded by Councillor David Parry as correct and formally agreed by the Members present.

#### **4. 151/21**

##### **MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk referred to the following matters from previous Minutes:

- (1) Minute no: 4. 130/21 (1) (page 2)** – in relation to a joint project with Play & Stay at Dyserth, for the removal of the spacenet and installation of new play area equipment. The Clerk advised, that the official quotation for the sum of £10,950.00 plus VAT £2,109,00 – total £13,140. 00, had been received the day following the July Council meeting; as copy forwarded to Members by e-mail.

**Members agreed the following:** Confirmed their decision to fund the project to the value of £13,140.00

- (2) Minute no: 4. 130/21 (2) (page 2)** – in relation to the Dyserth Kilns project. Councillor John Glover recollects to Members, the agreement that the pupils of Ysgol Hiraddug design a page in the new Dyserth Kilns information leaflet.

**Members agreed the following:** Confirmed their commitment to provide a donation of £200.00 to Ysgol Hiraddug, for their assistance with the design of a new Dyserth Lime Kiln information leaflet.

- (3) Minute no: 4. 130/21 (3) (page 2)** – in relation to tree preservation orders on trees sited between James Park and Hiraddug Park.

**Members agreed the following:** In the absence of Councillor David Jones, the matter was adjourned to the October Council meeting.

- (4) Minute no: 4. 130/21 (4) (page 2)** – in relation to the installation date for the parking signage in Dyserth High Street, including a request for Enforcement Officers to visit more frequently.

Councillor John Glover advised, that the signage has been erected, The Clerk also advised, that the County Council will arrange for their Enforcement Officers to visit on more frequent occasions.

- (5) **Minute no: 4. 130/21 (6) (page 3)** – in relation to part fund a new boardwalk on a public footpath at the top of Pandy Lane. Councillor David Parry advised, that he had been contacted by Denbighshire who stated, that the quotations received to date were expensive. It had been suggested that the repair could be completed on a voluntary basis, with the Community Council covering the cost of materials.

**Members agreed the following:** Were amicable to consider covering the costs of materials to complete the repair. To await a quotation for further discussion.

- (6) **Minute no: 9. 140/21 (page 7)** – in relation to Council owned land known as The Burial Field, to be a Bee Friendly area. Councillor David Parry advised, that he had held a site meeting with the Council's grass cutting contractor, together with a local conservationist; who had kindly provided a report to assist with the project. The Clerk advised, that a quotation for £500.00 had been received from the Council's grass cutting contractor, to carry out clearance of the area.

**Members agreed the following:** Thanked Councillor David Parry for his attendance at site meetings. Agreed the quotation from Reg Davies & Son for £500.00. The Clerk to issue a Work Order.

## 5. 152/21

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

**County Councillor David Williams advised Members in relation to the following:**

- (1) Substantial correspondence in relation to complaints of rat infestation in the area of Hiraddug Road.
  - (2) Complaints in relation to hedge cutting during the bird nesting season.
  - (3) Discussions in relation to funding for road junction improvement on the A547 and B5119 in the area of Thorncliffe.
  - (4) Hiraddug Road Flood Prevention Scheme: This is being further discussed by the County Council.
  - (5) Replacement culvert bridge over River Ffyddion on Pandy Lane. Seeking date for completion.
  - (6) Dyserth Waterfall bridges. Seeking date for completion.
  - (7) Drainage concerns in the area of Bron Haul. Matter outstanding since January, 2021.
  - (8) Complaint in relation to foliage growing into a neighbouring property in Weavers Lane.
  - (9) Complaint in relation to non-emptying of refuse bins.
- Councillor John Glover sought an update in relation to phase two of the Dyserth High Street traffic alleviation scheme, whereby Denbighshire Highways had previously indicated would

commence during the autumn. Councillor Williams advised, that he will contact County Highways seeking an update and in particular, a commencement date for phase 2.

**6(A). 153/21  
CORRESPONDENCE**

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

- (1) 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:  
  
2 x Anti-social behaviour / 9 x Assaults / 3 x Criminal damage.
- (2) Denbighshire County Council: Community Development Team I relation to financial assistance. Information forwarded to the Management Committee of Dyserth Community Hall.
- (3) Summer Play Scheme held in King Georges Playing Field. The Chair of Council Councillor David Parry provided the following report: the scheme was a success with many children in attendance. The range of equipment and activities on offer was appreciated.
- (4) Request from the Facebook painter in relation to future murals on the bus shelter in Dyserth High Street; in particular, autumn and winter themes.

**Members agreed the following:** Agreed for two further themes – autumn and winter at a cost of £100.00 each, together with bus shelter glass cleaning at a cost of £20.00 on each occasion.

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

- (i) North Wales Police: Have Your Say on how North Wales is policed (Councillors to complete on a personal basis).
- (ii) North Wales Police: Community Alert Registration (Councillors to register on a personal basis).
- (iii) Welsh Government: Draft Local Government Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021 and Draft Local Elections (Committees) (Wales) Rules 2021.
- (iv) Denbighshire County Council: Gypsy & Traveller Accommodation Assessment.
- (v) Denbighshire County Council: Appointment of new Chief Executive.
- (vi) Denbighshire County Council: Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO).
- (vii) Denbighshire County Council: Road Closure; area of Ffordd Y Pandy, Ffordd Carreg Heilin to Mia Hall – from 23rd to 27th August.
- (viii) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales: Annul Consultation in relation to Councillors expenses.

- (ix) Welsh Government: Consultation in relation to proposals to reduce speed limits to 20mph on residential streets. (Councillors to complete on a personal basis).
- (x) Gareth Davies MS Vale of Clwyd (Welsh Government): Contact details to Community Council for future reference.
- (xi) Denbighshire County Council: Notification of work to replace water crossing above Waterfall, to commence in the near future.
- (xii) Awel Y Mor: Further notification in relation to Public Consultation from 31st August to 11th October (Councillors to complete on a personal basis).
- (xiii) Denbighshire County Council: Bus travel across North Wales.
- (xiv) Denbighshire County Council: Active Travel consultation. (New routes in the Dyserth Council area)
- (xv) Denbighshire County Council: Link to recent edition of Denbighshire Country Voice

**6(B). 154/21  
CLERK'S REPORT**

- (a) Received from and deposited into the Council's bank account:
  - Denbighshire County Council - £15,333.00: Second precept payment for financial year 2021 / 2022.
- (b) The Clerk advised Members, that following the above precept deposit to the Nat West Business Reserve account, together with the £5,780.00 grant received as listed in the July Minutes, this particular bank account balance has exceeded the maximum figure under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. The Clerk sought that the Council consider opening a further reserve account with Nat West. Members were shown virtually copies of the current bank account statements.

**Members agreed the following:** The Clerk to arrange the opening of a second Business Reserve Account with Nat West Bank. To transfer £50,000.00 to the new account from the existing Business Reserve Account.

- (c) Annual Return to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, in relation to published allowances and expenses for Members – 2020 / 2021; the Clerk confirmed, that the annual report had been submitted to the Panel and had been uploaded to the Councils web site.
- (d) The Clerk advised Members, in relation to a recent play area report received from AURA Leisure. The report advised that the Tango swing seat was faulty. This seat is sited in the area of the new play equipment which was paid for and installed by Stay and Play at Dyserth. The Clerk advised the Lead Members of Play and Stay, together with the Chair and Vice Char of this Council. The seat was repaired by the installation company.

The Clerk further advised, that he had requested from the Lead Member of Play and Stay at Dyserth, that the equipment be further inspected by the manufacturer.

- (e) The Clerk advised, of a request from a Church Warden at St. Bridget's Church, Dyserth, seeking that this Council remove a number of tree branches which were overhanging from

the Waterfall car park area to the Church Cemetery. The Clerk advised further, that the Chair of Council Councillor David Parry had visited the area, whereby it was established, that the tree trunks were both within the grounds of the Waterfall, together with a neighbouring private property. Councillor David Parry provided Members with further details.

- (f) The Clerk recollected to Members his e-mail dated the 7<sup>th</sup> September, which attached a draft Public Notice in relation to applications for financial assistance by Committees and Groups registered in the Dyserth Council area. Members were shown virtually the draft Public Notice.

**Members agreed the following:** Confirmed their support for the Clerk to place the Public Notice in the next edition of the Dyserth Times.

**The following complaints / observations have been sent to Denbighshire County Council:**

- (i) Work being carried out in the area of ANOB / SSSI; enquiry to Denbighshire to ascertain if planning permission had been granted.
- (ii) Public Rights of Way concerns: Two stiles on public footpaths in the areas between 24 Maes Glas, Dyserth and on the on the A547 Road – alongside Longacre Kennels on the Rhuddlan to Meliden Road. **1.** The stile at Maes Glas is in poor condition and has a fence resting on the step which is a trip hazard **2.** The stile near Longacre kennels is inaccessible due to overgrowth and upon closer inspection is in poor condition. Location plans forwarded to County with request for consideration be given that both areas receive new kissing gates.
- (iii) Complaints in relation to a large amount of leylandii tree branches and cuttings blocking a public footpath – leading from Dyserth High Street to the Waterfall. This occurrence is regular by a property owner.
- (iv) Signpost on the Dyserth to Prestatyn walkway has been damaged (Photographs provided by resident). The County Council will order new signage.

**6(C). 155/21**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021: SECTION 47 (MULTI LOCATION MEETINGS)**

The Clerk recollected to Members that this subject had been discussed at a number of previous Council meetings and referred to an e-mail sent to Councillors dated the 4<sup>th</sup> August.

The present position is that meetings are unable to recommence at the Pavilion Building in Dyserth on a hybrid basis, as the Council are not in possession of the necessary equipment, including internet access to the meeting room. Whilst the majority of Town & Community Councils in Wales are in similar circumstances, the Wales Government have issued the following statement: ‘Further updates and guidance to Section 48 (47) Participation at Meetings of Community council, will be issued in the autumn’

The Clerk further advised, that at the October Council meeting the Standing Orders will require amending to include the hybrid meetings aspect.

**Members agreed the following:** The Clerk to write to Mr. Gareth L. Davies AM – as Member of the Wales Government for the Vale of Clwyd. The Clerk to advise Mr. Davies of their concern with

Section 48 (47) of the above Act, in particular, as there was no consultation between the over 730 Town & Community Councils in Wales. The majority of Councils meet in Village Halls which are not for the exclusive use of Councils; they have no Wi fi available and no secure storage areas for the Council to house the required equipment.

**6(D). 156/21  
TO DISCUSS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS / TREES**

The Clerk advised Members, that this is an annual agenda item and confirmed the Council's previous decision; Councillor Andrew Hughes to order two Christmas trees, one to be sited in the High Street and the second in the grounds of the Waterfall. Councillor Margaret Williams to arrange the Councils electrician.

Members discussed the purchase of further outdoor / street Christmas lighting. The Clerk referred to the switch on date.

**Members agreed the following:** (1) Councillors' Julie Peters and Margaret Williams to arrange a site meeting in the Lower Dyserth area, to identify areas to install new Christmas lighting (2) The Clerk to seek Christmas lights brochures (3) To arrange with Denbighshire County Council to erect and switch on the current street lighting on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December and to remove during week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022.

**7. 157/21  
REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS (COMMITTEES, LIAISON & MEETINGS ATTENDED)**

- (i) Councillor Andrew Hughes advised, that the Community Hall will be arranging a Christmas concert / show; the Youth Club will recommence in the near future.
- (ii) Councillor Margaret Williams advised, that the Waterfall Committee had completed further maintenance work; were arranging the cutting of branches as previously brought to the Council's attention earlier in this meeting; in the process of registering an area of Waterfall land with the Land Registry.

**8(A). 158/21  
PLANNING**

**The following planning applications have been received:**

- (a) Application number: 42/2021/0706 – for Development of 0.03ha of land by the erection of a detached dwelling (outline application including access, layout and scale), at Land Adjacent to Oakstead, Meliden Road, Dyserth.

**Comment by Council:** Providing that the application is subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

- (b) Application number: 42/2021/0729, for demolition of existing pop-in shop and change of use of agricultural building to retail use, provision of car parking and associated works, at The Pop In Shop and Agricultural Building Cwm Road, Dyserth.

**Comment by Council:** Whilst the Community Council have no objection in principle, providing that the application is subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes. However, upon perusing the deposited plan the Council raise the following concern: Vehicles entering / exiting the proposed car park may be a cause of danger, in particular, as it is within a very

short distance to the traffic lights. Possibly the car park entrance could be located further away from the junction.

- (c) Application number: 42/2021/0771, for the creation of new patio area and erection of balustrade (partly retrospective), at Clog y Berth, 105 Cwm Road, Dyserth

**Comment by Council:** Providing that the application is subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

- (d) Application number: 42/2021/0820 – for the Variation of condition no. 2 of planning permission code no. 42/2020/0619 to allow amended house types on Plots 16,17, 32, 33 and 34, at Land off Meliden Road, Dyserth.

**Comment by Council:** Providing that the application is subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

- (e) Application number: 42/2021/0706 – for Development of 0.03ha of land by the erection of a detached dwelling (outline application including access, layout and scale), at Land Adjacent to Oakstead, Meliden Road, Dyserth.

**Comment by Council:** Providing that the application is subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

- (f) Application number: 42/2021/0856 – for the display of signage in relation to storage business, at Land at Talargoch Trading Estate Meliden Road, Dyserth.

**Comment by Council:** Providing that the application is subject to compliance with relevant policies and planning guidance notes, then no objections raised.

**(The above six applications were sent to Members for consultation in-between meetings, due to statutory time limits for observations from County Planning).**

#### **8(B). 159/21**

**Members formally confirmed the above decisions.**

#### **8(C). 160/21**

**The following planning application(s) were considered by Members at the meeting:**

No applications for consideration by Members at meeting.

#### **8(D). 161/21**

#### **PLANNING DECISIONS**

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

- (i) Application number: 42/2021/0880 – for details of mechanism for complying with the Council’s policies and guidance in relation to the provision of open space submitted in accordance with condition number 8 of code No: 42/2016/1215, at Land side of former Mill House, Waterfall Road, Dyserth. Approved.
- (ii) Application number: 42.2020/0764 – for demolition of former garage, erection of 1 no dwelling and associated works. Withdrawn.



- (iii) Application number: 52/2021/0660 – for erection of single storey side extension etc., at Plas Y Foel, 65 Lower Foel Road, Dyserth. Granted
- (iv) Application number: 42/2021 0527 – for alterations to existing hip roof to a gable end to facilitate a loft conversion, at 6 Maes Hiraddug, Dyserth. Granted.
- (v) Application number: 42/2021/0279 – for variation of condition 2 of planning permission code no 42/2020/0619, to allow amended house type and site layout, at Land off Meliden Road, Dyserth. Granted.
- (vi) Application number: 42/2021/0440 – for erection of detached outbuilding to provide ancillary accommodation / garden room and new patio area over the existing garage, alterations and extension to driveway, landscaping and associated works, at 127 Cwm Road, Dyserth. Granted.

## 9. 162/21

### APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Cheque Number	Payee	Net £	Vat £	Total £
	<b><u>AUGUST PAYMENTS</u></b>			
	<b><u>Payments made – to be confirmed:</u></b>			
	<b>Standing Order:</b> R. P. Parry - Clerk to Council (Monthly salary & home working allowance for July) Payments dated 02/08/2021			
	<b><u>SEPTEMBER PAYMENTS</u></b>			
	<b><u>Payments for confirmation and consideration at meeting to be paid by BACS:</u></b>			
	<b>Standing Order:</b> R. P. Parry - Clerk to Council (Monthly salary & home working allowance for August) Payments dated 01/09/2021			
	Cllr David G. Jones (Re-imburement for purchase of flowers and card) – as per Minute number: 4.130/21 (5) page two on 12 <sup>th</sup> July, 2021	24.50		24.50
	Louise Walsh (Environmental Services & Inspections of Play Area for July £40.00 & August £50.00	90.00		90.00
	Dave Ruane (Repairs to Pavilion fence – as previously agreed quotation)	230.00		230.00

## 10. 163/21

### APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Cheque Number	Name of organisation	Amount granted £
	<p data-bbox="308 309 754 342"><b><u>Authorised to be paid by BACS:</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="308 383 1043 488">Rhuddlan Golf Club (Application for donation towards a fund raising event for St. Kentigern Hospice in St. Asaph) Section 137 LGA 1972</p>	<p data-bbox="1080 383 1185 416">£500.00</p>

**11. 164/21**

**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.....**