



CYNGOR CYMUNED DYSERTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Dyserth Community Council,

Held Virtually by Video and Telephone Conference,

On Monday, 14th February, 2022, at 7.00pm.

1(A). 28/22

PRESENT

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

Councillor David G. Williams (Denbighshire County Council)

Clerk & Financial Officer R. Phillip Parry

1(B). 29/22

APOLOGIES

Councillor Edgar H. Jones
Councillor Emyr W. Morris
Councillor Peter Newell
Councillor James K. Williams

2(A). 30/22

PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

Standing Orders were suspended:

The Chair of Council Councillor David Parry welcomed Jacob Williams (Denbighshire Accessible Play Co-ordinator) to the meeting.

Jacob recollects Members to the Denbighshire Play Scheme that was held in the King George play area during the summer months and October half term during 2021. This was provided at no cost to the Community Council, as it was funded by the Welsh Government. There was an average

attendance of 30 youths and was popular; the age group is from 6 years to 13 years. The younger children are required to have a parent or guardian in attendance.

The cost of the 'Let's Play Out' play sessions with two staff members is £76.02 per session (1.5 Hours) 39 (term time) sessions – total £2,964.78. Denbighshire will also provide an additional member of staff, together with a vehicle which will carry various resources and equipment.

The Chair of Council Councillor David Parry, thanked Jacob for attending and for the information provided. Councillor Parry advised, that the funding aspect will be discussed later in the meeting, whereafter the Clerk would make contact to advise of the Council's decision.

2(B). 31/22

Standing Orders were restored:

3. 32/22

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The following Declaration of Interest was declared: Councillor John Glover in relation to Council considering a wooden pavilion building at Ysgol Hiraddug (**Minute number 5. 34/22 on page 3 below**)

4. 33/22

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 14TH FEBRUARY, 2022

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

5. 34/22

MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk referred to the following matters from previous Minutes:

- (1) **Minute no: 5. 07/22 (1) (page 2)** – in relation to the Dyserth Kilns project. The Clerk provided the following report: *Updates in italics*

Schedule of work / items:

- (i) Clearance of overgrowth & shrubbery (*Completed*)
- (ii) Purchase of picnic tables x 4 (*to be decided at meeting – see below*)
- (iii) Ysgol Hiraddug (design 1/4 page of information and image(s) (*Councillor Glover will consult further with the School*))
- (iv) Printing of Information leaflets (number to be agreed – possibly 500) (*To be decided at a later date*)
- (v) Interpretation Boards x 2 (*to be decided at meeting – see below*)
- (vi) Finger Pole Signage from Dyserth Centre x 2 (*To be decided at a later date*)
- (vii) QR Codes (on above signs) (*To be decided at a later date*)

Denbighshire Countryside Services:

- (viii) Awaiting Engineers report to Kiln number 4 (*To be arranged by Denbighshire Countryside Services*)
- (ix) Installation of fence around entrance to Kiln no: 4 (*To be arranged by Denbighshire Countryside Services*)
- (x) Installation of fence at the top of the kilns (*To be arranged by Denbighshire Countryside Services*)

Councillor David Parry provided the following report.

Glascoed Timer had completed the clearance and other work identified. Perusing the sizes of the picnic tables, it was clear that there would not be enough space for four. Whilst there is an interpretation board in the area, possibly Council could consider one further board which would emphasise just on the historical aspect of the kilns. Councillor Parry suggested, that Council consider enlisting the assistance of a local historian.

Members agreed the following: (ii) To initially order two wheelchair access picnic tables at a cost of £445.00 each plus delivery charge of £55.00 – both plus VAT = Total £1,134.00. The Clerk to issue Purchase Order once the delivery charge is confirmed (v) To commission one Interpretation Board to emphasise on the Dyserth Kilns history. Councillor David Parry to enlist the assistance of a local historian.

- (2) **Minute no: 5. 07/22 (2) (page 2)** – in relation to tree preservation orders in Dyserth. Councillor David Jones advised, that the Denbighshire Countryside Services had confirmed, that this department will provide the required report.
- (3) **Minute no: 5. 07/22 (3) (page 2)** – in relation to Councillor David Jones contacting Mr. Gareth L. Davies – Welsh Assembly Member. The Clerk advised, that there has still been no further contact received from Mr. Jones and suggested that the Council were ‘flogging a dead horse’ whereby it was quite apparent from correspondence Mr. Davies was clearly unable to comprehend the situation.

Members agreed the following: Agreed with the Clerk, whereby the matter to be left on file.

- (4) **Minute no: 5. 07/22 (4) (page 2)** – in relation to the purchase of a new wooden pavilion at Ysgol Hiraddug. The Clerk advised, that the School had sourced a quotation for a new building at a cost of £20,575.00 plus VAT - total £24,690.00. The Clerk suggested that the Council consult with Aura Leisure, who may be able to assist.

Members agreed the following: The above cost is prohibitive for the Council. The Clerk to consult with Aura Leisure.

Note: Councillor John Glover Declared and Interest (**Minute number 3. 32/22 on page 2 above**)

- (5) **Minute no: 5. 07/22 (5) (page 2)** – in relation to a joint project with Denbighshire County Council, for further handrails on public footpaths.

The Clerk advised, that he had made contact with Denbighshire Rights of Way Officers on a number of occasions, seeking an update in relation to the project, together with quotations. The Rights of Way Officer had advised the following: As the original quotations were

provided some time ago, the County would seek updated quotations and forward to the Community Council.

- (6) **Minute no: 10. 23/22 (page 9)** – in relation to the widening of carriageway in area of The Croft, Waterfall Road, Dyserth. Whilst County Councillor David Williams has forwarded this request for consideration, it appears that no decision will be made until following the County Council elections in May. Whereafter, the Highways new budget will be further reviewed.

6. 35/22

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

County Councillor David Williams; advised the Community Council Members in relation to the following:

- (1) Complaint received from resident in relation to the inadequate street lighting in the area of St. Asaph Road, with a request for an additional lantern. Concern forwarded to County Highways. This request will be considered by Denbighshire Street Lighting Officer.
- (2) Request from School Governors at Ysgol Hiraddug, for support seeking additional support staff. Letter written to County Education Officer.
- (3) Advised by Denbighshire that the Woodland Creation Project' in the area of Maes Esgob has commenced.
- (4) Concern with debris on pavement in Thomas Avenue during works at a residential property. Contractors notified.
- (5) Dyserth traffic alleviation project – second phase. Whilst a site meeting has been requested on a number of occasions, County Highways have not responded.
- (6) Hiraddug Road flooding. On County Highways list.
- (7) Road between Dyserth and Rhuddlan flooding. Will be inspected imminently.

The following concerns were brought to the attention of Councillor Williams:

- (i) Parking on yellow lines in Dyserth High Street. Concern was expressed that a number of vehicles were parking in excess of the waiting limit. Request for the Enforcement Officer to visit.
- (ii) Blocked gullies in Dyserth High Street. Flooding now frequently occurs due to the blockages in a number of gullies.

7(A). 36/22

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 Violence / 1 x Criminal damage / 1 x Public order.

- (2) Concern reported to North Wales Police in relation to a person occupying the former barn at the entrance to Cwm Road and traffic lights junction. PCSO Alex Jones advised, that the concern had been referred to Lord Langford at Bodrhyddan Hall – the building owner.
- (3) Denbighshire County Council: Further financial assistance from Welsh Government for Community buildings who suffered loss of hire income in late 2021 – due to restrictions. Information sent to Dyserth Community Hall Management Committee, together with Dyserth Bowling Club.
- (4) Denbighshire County Council: Winter fuel allowance claim information. Link sent to Councillor David Parry seeking the information is uploaded to the Dyserth Facebook page.
- (5) One Voice Wales (OVW): Raising awareness / promotion video – May 2022 Town & Community Councils in Wales. The Clerk advised, that the video and information had been placed on the Council's web site, as requested by OVW.
- (6) Royal British Legion: Planting a tree for the Queen's Jubilee. Information sent to Chair and Vice Chair of Council.
- (7) Welsh Government: Section 47 Multi Location Meetings – survey report.

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

- ❖ Welsh Government: Draft Statutory Guidance for Community & Town Councils in Wales
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Draft well-being assessment
- ❖ St. Kentigern Hospice: Lottery information
- ❖ Awel Y Mor Offshore Windfarm: Bilingual newsletter
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Tree planting scheme - forwarded to Councillor David Parry
- ❖ Denbighshire County Council: Biodiversity information - forwarded to Councillor David Parry

7(B). 37/22

CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk advised Members in relation to the following:

- (a) Report following the latest play area inspection by Aura Leisure. The report did not identify any urgent matters of concern. Whilst the report referred to the netting damage in the MUGA area, Aura Leisure were in the process of seeking a repair quotation for consideration by Council.

The Clerk recollected to Members, that it had been previously agreed by Council almost two years ago, that once the new play area equipment had been installed, the Clerk was to arrange a full inventory review together with a financial valuation for the Council's insurance policy. The report would be at a cost to the Council.

Members agreed the following: Confirmed, that the Clerk seeks a full inventory and financial valuation of the play area equipment from Aura Leisure.

- (b) The Clerk referred to financial assistance granted to the Dyserth Times last year for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Whilst provision had been made in this years budget for a similar donation, the Editor had advised, that the funding had unexpectedly been received from a Dyserth business.
- (c) The Clerk advised, that Councillor John Glover had forwarded information together with photograph of a broken glass pane in the Red K6 Telephone Box, sited at the entrance to James Park. This had been reported to BT Payphones on two occasions.
- (d) Notification from Scottish Power, that the electricity supply would increase from 12p kWh to 47p kWh. The Clerk advised, that this would apply to the Christmas lights sited on street lanterns. The Clerk further advised, that he will contact Denbighshire Street Lighting, to ascertain if they are able to place the Christmas lights on their suppliers contract.
- (e) The Clerk referred to the current grass cutting and other maintenance contract with Reg Davies & Son. The Clerk recollected to Members, that during the past year the Council have seeked quotations for extra work to be completed, which has been added onto the annual schedule.

The area in-between the MUGA and perimeter of Ysgol Hiraddug was discussed; which requires the soil compacting and grass seeded – this would enhance both the area and maintenance aspects.

Members agreed the following: The Clerk to seek a quotation from the Council's contractor.

- (f) The Clerk brought to the attention of Members an e-mail received from the Club Secretary and Safeguarding Officer to Dyserth Junior Football Club. The correspondence related to the re-commencement of the junior football league; the holding of a fundraising event in the King George playing field; the Club have entered into a number of tournaments during the summer, including the under 9's team with St. Annes's football Club near Blackpool; end of season trophies. Various costings were received from the Club Secretary.

Members agreed the following:

- Have no objection to the football tournament on the 3rd July. The area to be cleared of litter following the event and also to ensure that any barbeque does not burn the ground
- To pay in full for the coach to Blackpool
- To pay in full the cost of the trophies
- To purchase one or more trophies to be engraved with the name of Dyserth Community Council and presented as annual awards (trophies and actual award name to be decided by Club)
- The Community Council will fund the above with a donation of £1,000.00.
- The Junior Football Club to provide to the Clerk, a copy of the Club's bank account statement, which clearly shows the name of the Club, account and sort code numbers, whereafter the funds will be transferred into the account following the March Council meeting.

7(C). 38/22

TO CONSIDER: FUNDING 'LET'S PLAY OUT' OPEN ACCESS PLAY SESSIONS – (DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL)

The Clerk recollects Members to the earlier discussion with Jacob Williams (Denbighshire Accessible Play Co-ordinator), and in particular, the cost of the 'Let's Play Out' play sessions with two staff members is £76.02 per session (1.5 Hours) 39 (term time) sessions – total £2,964.78. Denbighshire will also provide an additional member of staff, together with a vehicle which will carry various resources and equipment.

Members agreed the following: Wish to support the popular 'Let's Play Out' sessions at a total cost of £2,964.78. The Clerk to seek a Service Level Agreement for consideration by Council.

8. 39/22

REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS (COMMITTEES, LIAISON & MEETINGS ATTENDED)

- (i) Councillor Margaret Williams advised, the Waterfall Committee have completed various maintenance, including installation of fence and laurel hedge. Debris has been cleared from the car park.
- (ii) Councillor Andy Hughes advised, the Community Hall is almost fully booked for the sessions available. Maintenance issues are in progress.
- (iii) Councillor John Glover advised, Ysgol Hiraddug are doing well under the circumstances.

9(A). 40/22

PLANNING

The following planning application had been received:

- Application number: 42/2021/1059, for the felling of 14 ash trees overhanging churchyard in Dyserth Conservation Area, at land abutting St. Bridget's Church Waterfall Road, Dyserth.

Comment by Council: No objection.

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

9(B). 41/22

Members formally confirmed the above decision.

9(C). 42/22

The following planning application was considered by Members at the meeting:

- ❖ Application number: 42/2022/0103 – for the erection of a single storey extension to side of dwelling to replace existing conservatory, at Bodnant Forge, Long Acres Road, Dyserth.

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

9(D). 43/22

PLANNING DECISIONS

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

- (i) Application number: 42/2021/0073 – for erection of one dwelling, detached garage, formation of new vehicular access and associated works, at Land (part garden of) Mount House, Dyserth. Granted.
- (ii) Application number: 42/2021/0853 – for retrospective application for the erection of one holiday accommodation unit with associated decking and landscaping etc., at Land at Bod Erw, Hiraddug Road, Dyserth. Granted.
- (iii) Application number: 42/2021/1254 – for details of monitoring and noise levels submitted in accordance with conditions 16 & 19 of planning application number: 42/2015/0237/PF, at Former Anglia Builder’s Yard & adjacent car park, Newmarket Road, Dyserth. Approved.

9(E). 44/22

PLANNING APPEALS

The following notice of planning appeal to the Wales Planning Inspectorate has been received:

- ❖ Appeal reference number: APP/R6830/A/19/3243547 – in relation to demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings, erection of 113 dwellings and other works, at Mindale Farm, Meliden.

10. 45/22

TO CONSIDER: FUTURE USAGE OF LAND: ADJACENT TO THE PAVILION, DYSERTH (CLLR DAVID PARRY)

Councillor David Parry recollected to Members, that many years ago it was originally planning for the area between the Children’s play area and Pavilion building to be landscaped as a garden and seating area. Councillor Parry wished the Council to consider progressing this project. Councillor Parry advised, that the current small garage type building in the area currently housed items belonging to the Junior football, which would have to be either repositioned or replaced.

Members agreed the following: (1) To recommence the project (2) To obtain professional advice. The Clerk to arrange a site meeting with an appropriate architect / landscaping company (3) The Junior Football Club Committee to be involved with the storage aspect.

11. 46/22

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Cheque Number	Payee	Net £	Vat £	Total £
	<u>Payments made – to be confirmed:</u>			
	Standing Order: R. P. Parry - Clerk to Council (Monthly salary & home working allowance for January) Payments dated 01/02/2022			
	BACS: Celtic Connect (Electrical) Installation of cooker in Paterson Hall – as previously agreed by Council	120.00		120.00
	<u>Payments for consideration at meeting to be paid by</u>			

	<u>BACS:</u>			
	Mick Dodd (Electrical) Erection and removal of Council's Christmas lights from trees and new LED lights – as previously agreed	540.00	108.00	648.00
	Scottish Power (Electrical supply for Christmas lights)	96.00	4.80	100.80
	Glascoed Timber (Work in Dyserth Kilns – as previously agreed quotations) £3,850.00 / £420.00 / £200.00	4,470.00	894.00	5,364.00
	Cllr David Parry (Reimbursement for purchase of litter picking equipment)	30.00	6.09	36.53
	R. P. Parry – Clerk (Reimbursement for Microsoft Business – quarter share with other Councils - £135.36)	28.20	5.64	33.84
	Louise Walsh (Environmental Services & Inspections of Play Area for January)	50.00		50.00

12. 47/22

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Cheque Number	Name of organisation	Amount granted £
	<u>Authorised to be paid by BACS:</u>	
	Dyserth Times (application for a donation towards a Dyserth 'World Book Day') (Section 137 LGA 1972)	£50.00 (Confirmed by Council)
	Note: Due to the date of the World Book Day, the Chair and Vice Chair agreed a donation of £50.00.	
	Love – North Wales	No grant

13. 48/22

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.....