

MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 5TH OF NOVEMBER 2019 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE MERCIA DRIVE MYNYDD ISA

Representatives

New Brighton Ward

Councillor A Henry

Councillor B Clarke

Councillor G K Mutch

Councillor I Jolly (Vice-Chair)

Councillor M Shepherd

Argoed Ward

Councillor F Hadfield -Jones

Councillor J Holiday

Councillor J Norwood

1. Use of recording equipment no longer in use

2. Apologies

Councillor R Marsh, Councillor J McCarron (Chair), Councillor J Taylor, Councillor H Mc Guill Councillor W Robinson

3. Co-Option of members

None

4. Standing Orders

The Flexible Retirement policy was presented and read to the members

Resolved: The policy was accepted and signed by the chair.

Members with preferential or personal interest in a grant application presented to the Council will be asked to leave the meeting whilst the discussion and vote is taking place

Resolved: The amendment to standing orders was accepted and is to be actioned with immediate effect.

5. Declaration of interests to be signed:

None declared

6. Financial Matters

7. Financial matters

a) Accounts for Payment NOVEMBER 2019

		£
BT	Telephone and Internet	89.05
SLCC	Asst Clerk course	468.00
Compacc	Payroll & Allowances	33.00
Flintshire	Wats Dyke Upgrade	5000.00
Flintshire	street lighting power aug/sept	186.66
Provision	Lighting Supplies	<u>419.10</u>
Total		<u>6195.81</u>

Resolved: The Council approved the payments and the schedule was signed by Chair and Vice Chair

b) Accounts to October 2019

To be presented in December

8. **To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 of October 2018**

The Minutes were reviewed by members

Resolved: The minutes were accepted by council and signed by Council.

9. **Chairman's Report.**

- a. ASA to note the letter received from ASA and determine the nature of future relationship with ASA. Members were disappointed in the initial response received by members as the tone was unacceptable.

The budget has been expensed and no further funds available.

Resolved: The matter can no longer be discussed as matters raised in a meeting cannot be discussed until six months has lapsed the matter regarding continued relationship to be on the next agenda.

- b. Christmas Party – to note the proposed date, time and venue for the Christmas Party will be the 12th of December at 7pm.
- c. To note the quotations received regarding the trees in Bryn-y-Baal Quarry and decide which contractor to employ. Three contractors provided quotes which were:

Canopy Tree care:£800. Rob Minshin :£990 John Griffiths: £580

Resolved: John Griffiths was approved to remove the trees.

- d. To receive an update regarding the computer resource within the Clerk's Office. An Old Computer has been brought back into service and a new SSD card has been inserted.
- e. The telephone box at the top of Chambers Lane is understood that it is no longer in use and the box is expected to be removed.
- f. To receive an update regarding the mobile security camera the Clerk informed members that he has agreed with the provider Revader a price for two dummy cameras to be used in the area and he needed approval to purchase.

Resolved: The two cameras to be purchased.

10. **Notices of Motion**

- a. **That in the interests of traffic flow and road safety this Council requests Flintshire County Council to introduce a no parking restriction from 7am to 7pm on both sides of Mold Road, Mynydd Isa from the junction of Mold Road and Alyndale Avenue to the junction of Mold Road and Wylfa Avenue.**

Cllr K Mutch

Members discussed the matter and identified with the problem/

Resolved: The council to request from the Flintshire County Council the required restriction.

- b. **That in the interests of pedestrian safety, this Council requests Flintshire County Council to install pedestrian crossings over Park Avenue**

Cllr F Hadfield-Jones

11. Planning applications/Decisions.

a) Presentation of Schedule of outstanding planning applications:

REF: 060236. ●**CASE OFFICER:** Mr A Wells. ●**TEL:** 01352 703255. ●**PROPOSAL:** Erection of extension to bungalow to form annexe . ●**LOCATION:** 20 Erw Goed, Mynydd Isa, CH7 6YE. ■ ●**Decision Type:** Approved.
●**Decision Date:** 23/08/2019. ● **Determination Level:** Delegated-Officer.

12. Representative's Report.

Members of the HR group met up and read the employment contract and agreed that the Clerk and chair could sign the contract.

Resolved: The Clerk and Vice chair signed the contract

13. Committee and group reports

Minutes of Amenities Committee held on Wednesday 16 October 2019 at 6pm at the Community Centre Mercia Square, Mynydd Isa.

PRESENT.

Committee Members: Cllr J McCarron, Cllr I Jolly, Cllr K Mutch, Cllr W J Taylor, Cllr M Shepherd, Cllr R Marsh

In attendance: Clerk Rhodri Hampson-Jones; Assistant Clerk Mared Eastwood

1. Apologies Cllr A Henry, Cllr B Clarke

2. Declaration of interests

Cllr J McCarron declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in agenda item 3

3. Liaison with ASA

There was a disappointing response from ASA regarding the refusal of their grant application.

Resolved: That this matter be put on the agenda for full council, for further discussion and a decision as to whether the liaison continues going forward or not.

4. Christmas Trees and Lighting

Representatives from New Brighton Community Centre are very excited about being part of the decision making process for the Christmas tree at New Brighton this year.

Assistant Clerk gave update as to potential alternative supplier for the Christmas Trees and advised that the contractors had been instructed ready to install the Christmas Lights by 4 December 2019. No new lights have been purchased this year.

The Christmas Carol Service is being arranged for 4 December 2019.

Resolved: Assistant Clerk to make further enquiries regarding a Christmas Tree supplier, to enable a quote comparison.

5. Christmas Party Night

It was suggested that the party be held at The Griffin at 7pm on 12 December 2019.

Resolved: That the Assistant Clerk provisionally books a table for 12-15 people for the suggested date and time.

6. Trees in Bryn-y-Baal Quarry

Assistant Clerk gave an update regarding the estimates that have been received. Not clear whether both include the prevention of re-growth.

General discussion regarding the current poor state of the Quarry, the rubbish that has accumulated and the lack of planting structure.

Resolved:

Assistant Clerk to follow up estimates that have been received, for them to be put before Council on 5 November 2019.

For the owners of Rockliffe to be written to again regarding the rubbish/trailer and building materials that has been left in the Quarry.

Clerk to ensure the work needed at the Quarry is appropriately accounted for in the tender for the maintenance contract that is due to go out.

Committee meeting at 7.00pm

Council Meeting Terminated 8.45pm