

MINUTES OF THE DERWEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2017 IN THE CHAPEL VESTRY DERWEN AT 7.30 P.M.

1. PRESENT: Councillors Llefelys Rees (Chairman), Robert Hughes, Hywel Jones, Bethan Roberts, Thomas Griffiths, Gaynor Jones, John Crowhurst, Denbighshire County Councillor Eryl Williams and the Clerk.

2. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

A. Denbighshire County Council Planning Department has granted the following planning applications:-

1. Alterations and extensions to dwelling at Llwyn Isa Farmhouse, Derwen.
2. Erection of general purpose agricultural building and construction of access track at Llwyn Isa Farmhouse, Derwen.

B. the Planning and Compliance Officer of Denbighshire County Council confirmed that he is investigating the occupancy of the Caravan on land to the east of Glan Aber, Derwen and is communicating with the owner.

4. REPORT ON THE SITE MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017 REGARDING THE "PLAQUE" IN DERWEN AND CLAWDDNEWYDD POND.

The following report was received regarding the site meeting:-

A: Present – John Crowhurst, Thomas Griffiths, Hywel Jones and Bethan Roberts.

B. The preferred location for the "Plaque" in Derwen is to relocate the community notice board next to the BT phone box and to place the "Plaque" on the wall. As the present notice board is in a poor condition it was resolved for the Clerk to receive prices for a new public notice board.

C. The thought of filling part of Clawddnewydd Pond (next to the Glan Llyn Public House) in order to provide street furniture and extension of the Car Park. Members resolved to further discuss the issues at the next Council meeting.

5. WERN DDU WIND FARM AND MELIN WYNT CAMBWLL COMMUNITY FUND

A. The public notice inviting grant applications by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 from the "Wind Farms Community Funds" has been published.

B. Members resolved to hold the Annual Meeting to consider the grant application forms on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

C. Melin Wynt Cambwll Ltd. informed Council that the 2016 distribution of £2,024.00 will be received by the Council by the end of March 2017.

6. COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATORS UPDATE.

A. the Clerk still awaits a reply from BT if the Phone Box in Derwen village is for sale to the Community Council.

B. Clocaenog Community Council is in the process of refunding Derwen Community £400.00 for the cost of the Clocaenog Defibrillator.

7. FINANCE.

A. Bank balances - £12,845.00.

B. John Lloyd of Henllan has quoted £72.00 per cut for the Community grass cutting for the 2017 season. Members resolved to accept the quotation.

### C. Payments:-

1. Wales Audit Office – External Audit Fee for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 - £208.35.
2. One Voice Wales – 2017/18 Membership Fee - £58.00.
3. Derwen Chapel – Council meetings for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 - £45.00.
4. Clerk's Salary for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 - £300.00.
5. PAYE for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 - £75.00.
6. Clerk's expenses for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 - £570.00.

### 8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

A. Erection of replacement single storey sunroom extension (Listed Building Application) at Coed-y-Foel, Derwen – no objections.

B. Development of 0.49 hectares of land (outline application including means of access) on land adjoining Crud-yr-Awel, Clawddnewydd. Members resolved on the following observations to the planning application:-

1. The application site is too close to the Clawddnewydd Sewerage Works.
2. The odour from the Clawddnewydd Sewerage Works would affect the proposed development site.
3. The proposed development is subject to noise pollution from the Clawddnewydd Sewerage Works.
4. There is no proven local need in Clawddnewydd for the proposed development.
5. Should the planning application be granted then there should be the condition for a “Community Fund” for a plat area costs etc via the Derwen Community Council.

### 9. LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017.

The Clerk distributed the Members with the “Nomination Packs” for the Local Councils Elections on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

### 10. CORRESPONDENCE.

A number of reports were received for information purposes.

### 11. DISCUSSION WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT.

Mrs Sharon Newell from Pwll Glas introduced herself as the Prospective Candidate for the Efenechtyd Ward of the Denbighshire County Council Elections on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

### 12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Members resolved for the Clerk to write to the Highways Department regarding the following highway issues:-

- A: Blocked highway gullies between Ty Isa, Derwen and Clwyd View, Bryn Saith Marchog.
- B. Blocked highway gullies between Gwerni, Derwen and Bryn Siriol, Clawddnewydd.
- C. Timescale of when the promised highway re-surfacing between Derwen Village and Gwerni, Derwen will commence.
- D. Provision of a double central solid white highway line to prevent overtaking between Bryn Coch, Clawddnewydd and Bryn Ffynnon, Clocaenog which has hidden dips.

13. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in Canolfan Cae Cymro, Clawddnewydd at 7.30 p.m.