

MINUTES OF THE DERWEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 16TH MARCH 2016 IN THE CHAPEL VESTRY DERWEN AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT: Councillors Llefelys Rees (Chairman), John Crowhurst, Thomas Griffiths, Robert Hughes and the Clerk.

1 APOLOGIES: Councillors Gaynor Jones, Hywel Jones and Bethan Roberts.

2. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 20th January 2016 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

A. the Highways Department of Denbighshire County Council reported on the following:-

1. It is not possible to re-instate the extension of the gritting route between Derwen village and the Chapel due to the cuts to the highways budget.

2. Works will be carried out to rectify the gully water capture problem on the Gwerni to Bryn Siriol highway.

B. Members discussed the following regarding the community “Defibrillators”:-

1. The Chairman agreed to look into the cabinets to hold the equipment.

2. The Clerk agreed to contact BT regarding the redundant payphone kiosks in Derwen and Clawddnewydd to house the cabinets.

C. Councillor Hywel Jones reported via the Chairman with the name of an additional soldier who fell during the two World Wars – R.T. Thomas of Bryn Awel, Clawddnewydd.

D. Denbighshire County Council has granted the following planning applications:-

1. Change of use of building between Gwyndy and Min Awel, Clawddnewydd.

2. Erection of agricultural building and machinery/fodder store on land at Tan-y-Graig, Derwen.

3. Erection of polytunnel as sheep shelter on land adjacent to Maes Anedd, Derwen.

4. FINANCE.

A. Bank balances - £10,050.00.

B. Payments:-

1. Clerk’s salary for the quarter ended 31st March 2016 - £200.00.

2. PAYE for the quarter ended 31st March 2016 - £50.00.

3. Clerk’s expenses for the year ended 31st March 2016 - £540.00.

4. One Voice Wales 2016/17 Membership Fee - £56.00.

5. Canolfan Cae Cymro for the previous Council meeting - £10.00.

6. Derwen Chapel for the Council’s 2015/16 meetings - £45.00.

7. Clawddnewydd Chapel for the Council’s 2015/16 meetings - £30.00.

C. Tower Mint Ltd. – Queen’s 90th Birthday Commemorative Medal – Members resolved not to purchase the medals.

D. The next Wern Ddu and Cambwll Wind Farm Fund distribution will be held during April.

5. REVIEW OF THE CLERK’S SALARY FOR THE 2016/17 FINANCIAL YEAR.

After discussion the members resolved to increase the Clerk’s salary for the 2016/17 financial year to £1,500.00.

6. PLANNING APPLICATION.

Erection of a free range poultry unit and associated works at Braich-yr-Alarch, Clawddnewydd – the members raised no objections to the application.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

- A. Denbighshire County Council have selected a site for the new Carreg Emlyn Primary School in Clocaenog and published the plans at the current Clocaenog School site recently for the public to look over.
- B. A number of reports were received for information purposes.

8. DISCUSSION WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

After receiving the following information from the members of the public present at the meeting the members resolved for the Clerk to contact the relevant authorities regarding the issues raised:-

- A Highway pothole by Derwenfa in Derwen.
- B. Parking issues in Derwen village.
- C. Dog fouling issues in Derwen village.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Members resolved for the Clerk to contact Denbighshire County Council regarding the following issues:-

- A The B5105 between Clawddnewydd and Bod Betruel needs urgent attention.
- B. Provision of dog waste bins in the villages of Derwen and Clawddnewydd.
- C. Vehicle causing highway obstruction at the entrance to Sarnau in Clawddnewydd.

10. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday 18th May 2016 in the Committee Room, Canolfan Cae Cymro, Clawddnewydd at 7.30 p.m.