MINUTES OF THE DERWEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20TH JANUARY 2016 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, CANOLFAN CAE CYMRO, CLAWDDNEWYDD AT 7.30 P.M.

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

2. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed the 18th November 2015 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

- A. BDO Southampton, the newly appointed External Auditors of the North Wales Councils, confirmed that they are able to communicate through the medium of the Welsh language.
- B. Councillor Llefelys Rees reported that Dr Paul Smith has received £1,200.00 from Derwen Community Council for the purchase of three Defibrillators from the British Heart Foundation. The Council will receive a full £1,200.00 refund from Dr Paul Smith following a recent fund raising event to purchase the Defibrillators.
- C. Councillor Hywel Jones reported following his meeting with Anwen (formerly of Sarnat Gwyn) provided names of six Soldiers within the Community who fell during the two World Wars. More research is needed to find the addresses in Derwen for some of the Soldiers.
- D. the Clerk reported that Melin Wynt Cambwll have paid the £1,024.00 instalment to the Community Council for the three months ended September 2015.

4. FINANCE.

- A. Bank balances £10,110.00.
- B. Final 2015/16 Precept receipt £2,000.00.
- C. Payment to Canolfan Cae Cymro for the November 2015 meeting £10.00.
- D. 2016/17 Precept Requirement. After discussion the Members resolved on the Precept of £6,006.00 for the 2016/17 financial year, which is £26.00 for the 231 Council Tax properties within the Community.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

- A. Change of use of building between Gwyndy and Min Awel, Clawddnewydd no objections.
- B. Erection of agricultural building and machinery/fodder store on land at Tan-y-Graig, Derwen (Councillor Thomas Griffiths declared an interest an vacated the room) no objections.
- C. Erection of polytunnel as sheep shelter on land adjacent to Maes Annedd, Derwen (Councillors Llefelys Rees and Hywel Jones declared an interest and vacated the room). After a recorded vote the Members raised no objections to the application (Councillors Thomas Griffiths, Bethan Roberts and John Crowhurst in favour and Councillor Robert Hughes against the planning application).

6. CORRESPONDENCE.

A number of reports were received for information purposes.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- A. the Members resolved for the Clerk to contact Denbighshire County Council regarding the following highway issues:-
- 1. Reinstatement of the highway gritting lorry between Derwen Village and Derwen Chapel.
- 2. Blocked gully by Llidiardau in Clawddnewydd.
- 3. The gully's on the newly surfaced highway between Gwerni and Bryn Siriol in Derwen need to be re-aligned to capture the running surface water.
- 4. Agriculture trailers are parked on the highway verge on the B5105 by Bryn Coch in Clawddnewydd.
- B. Councillor Bethan Roberts reported that Karen Townson will complete the "Best Kept Village" plaque in Derwen by the end of January.
- C. Councillor Hywel Jones reported that "Polka" is a Latin word for Small which translates from Glyn Polka to Glyn Bach in Derwen following the recent enquiry.
- 8. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING Wednesday 16th March 2016 in the Chapel Vestry, Derwen at 7.30 p.m.