

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

PRESENT: Councillors Llefelys Rees (Chairman), Erfyl Roberts, Thomas Griffiths, Hywel Jones, John Crowhurst and the Clerk.

1: APOLOGIES: Councillors Gaynor Jones and Robert Hughes.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None received.

3. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

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

1. Notice has been served to cut the highway verge hedge at Parc Bach in Derwen.

2. Gully's have been cleaned at Station House, Derwen and Community Centre, Clawddnewydd.

3. Construction work is required on the Gweni to Bryn Siriol Hill gully.

4. Standing water on the Cambwll Road cannot be resolved.

B. Councillor Hywel Jones still awaits a formal reply from Adrian Hibbert and Garry Davies from Denbighshire County Council Countryside Services for permission for the required works required for the Clawddnewydd Pond.

C. Councillor Hywel Jones has ordered two "Notice Boards" for the villages of Derwen and Clawddnewydd from Earth Anchors.

D. Councillors Llefelys Rees and Hywel Jones reported on the site meeting with Rheinallt Jones, Electrician, who has confirmed it is possible to connect electric for the Defibrillator Heated Cabinet at the Derwen Phone Box. Members resolved to appoint Mr Jones for the required work.

E. Members reported that local residents will write letters to Denbighshire County Council confirming that the public footpath at "Cefn Tilin".

5. FINANCE.

A. Bank balances - £14,069.00.

B. Bill payments:-

1. John Lloyd – two grass cuttings of the parish greens - £144.00.

2. Clerk's salary for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 - £300.00.

3. PAYE for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 - £75.00.

4. Earth Anchors – two village notice boards - £1,165.20.

5. Chairman's Allowance for the 2017/18 financial year - £200.00.

C. Council's completed financial return for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 from BDO (Southampton), External Auditors.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

None received.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE.

A. Following the request from the Highways Department of Denbighshire County Council for the Community Council's list of priority roads for consideration for capital work for the 2018/19 financial year, the members provided the following list of priority roads:-

1. Derwen Village to Gwerni.
2. Parc Lodge to Sarnant Gwyn in Derwen.
3. Plas Lelo to Parc Lodge in Derwen.

B. the Modernising Education Officer of Denbighshire County Council reported that Wynne Construction has been appointed to build the new Ysgol Carreg Emlyn Primary School in Clocaenog and the ongoing negotiations with the land owners over the purchase price of the land means that the commencement of the construction will not commence before Spring 2018 at the earliest.

C. the Highways Department of Denbighshire County Council will only provide heaped highway verge grit on hills and corners.

## 8. DISCUSSION WITH THE PUBLIC.

The report was received on the mud on road between Derwen Village and Gwerni and the members resolved for the Clerk to inform the Highways Department of Denbighshire County Council to sweep the road.

## 9. URGENT BUSINESS UNDER SECTION 100B(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.

A. Members noted the recent sad death of former Community Councillor Arwyn Jones, Maes Llan, Derwen and Councillor Hywel Jones agreed to organise a Sympathy Card on behalf of the Community Council.

B. Members resolved for the Clerk to write to the organisers of Wales Rally GB 2017 regarding the speeding traffic through Clawddnewydd village and highway verge parking along the Glan Gors, Clawddnewydd highway at the event on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

10. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at Canolfan Cae Cymro, Clawddnewydd at 7.30 p.m.