

Minutes of the meeting of Mostyn Community Council
held in Mostyn Community Centre on Monday 16 July 2018

1. (A) To record attendance

Cllrs. S. Calvert, B Hazlehurst, County Councillor P Heesom, E.J Jones, David Roney, Dave Seddon (Vice Chairman), Debbie Seddon (Chair), and V Williams.

Mrs K L Roberts – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

(B) To record apologies

Cllrs. J B Hughes and A Tattum.

1 member of the public in the public gallery.

2. Matters arising from the 18 June 2018 community council meeting

Page 1, Item 5 – County Councillor Heesom reported the North East Wales Growth Plan option the “red route” which is a carriageway from the Dee Bridge to Northop. The new highway infrastructure for this area he believes may do some harm for the economic area/Mostyn docks. He informed members of Welsh Government Regional Plans there will be a lead member of each of the six councils. This is a new proposal which Flintshire County Council have signed up to.

Page 3, Item 11 – The clerk reported she had emailed and telephoned David Hanson MP’s Office to enquire about the outcome of the site visit of the Alyn Works/Solar Fires building and was informed by Beverley she would follow up the outcome as they have had no further correspondence.

RESOLVED: That the clerk continue to pursue the matter.

Councillor Roney enquired if in the accounts for payment only 1 councillor had taken the councillor annual payment. The clerk confirmed to date this was the case. The clerk has to ensure this information is published on the community council website before 30 September 2018. A councillor still needs to respond to state whether or not there is intention to receive or forego the allowance.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting on 18 June 2018

The minutes of the meeting were approved as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Hazlehurst and seconded by Cllr. Eddie Jones and signed by the Chair.

At the Chair’s discretion, Streetscene Matters item 7 was taken earlier in the agenda as Mr Nigel Seaburg was in attendance at the meeting.

Mr Seaburg confirmed bus stop markings had been approved in Rhewl

The Coast Road to Christ Church issues raised regarding inadequate grass cutting as a resident had complained about his vehicle getting scratched. Nigel has assessed this area and he believes this is not an issue.

Mr Seaburg informed members there will be some improvements in off street parking and the community centre sign off the main road is back up. Surfacing at the top of Penrho pavements will be undertaken.

Members again expressed concern about the speed of traffic traveling along Penrho and a number of near misses. Mr Seaburg suggested writing to Mr Anthony Stanford at Flintshire County Council's Road Safety Department to express these concerns in particular in Penrho, Lletty Hill and Ffordd Wen in Rhewl perhaps requesting a speed survey as some members believe the current speed limit is too high at 60 mph.

Councillor Eddie Jones reported some gardens in Maes Pennant being overgrown some are council owned and some private. He will report to the relevant housing officer as this is not a Streetscene matter.

Cllr. Hazlehurst reported pothole concerns particularly on Merton Downing Lane. Mr Seaberg advised these should have been dealt with Streetscene were inundated with reports after winter. Concerns about 40 tonne lorries using this lane despite a weight restriction of 3 tonnes, some of the signage is not in the correct place to direct these vehicles.

Cllr. Hazelhurst believes there are too many heavy goods vehicles using this lane, taking short cuts. The Police also have a role in enforcement.

There were other pothole concerns along The Cob, Coast Road to the clock tower.

Cllr. Vera Williams reported the water running down the road on red street, Rhewl. Mr Seaberg is researching into this matter.

Cllr. Roney enquired about what resembles a brief case fastened to a lamp post near the fun ship. Mr Seaberg will take a look.

RESOLVED: Cllr Hazlehurst will follow up the pothole and HGV vehicle concerns along Merton Downing Lane with Flintshire County Council and PC Kelly French Jones.

County Councillor Patrick Heesom noted the Coastal Path – Abakhan there is consideration of a new entry through to the cob, however British Rail and the land owner have not shown any interest.

Abandon Standing Orders

At the Chairman's discretion she allowed a member of the public to raise a matter under Streetscene pertaining to dog fouling – he reported the public footpath 67 had been cleansed. However, he believed more robust enforcement was required through the PSPO.

County Councillor Heesom reported there was unfortunately insufficient staffing to do the job. The organisation - Kingdom will not continue doing this patrol anymore on behalf of Flintshire County Council. Mr Seaberg advised that intelligence from the public is key and that members of the public contact Streetscene.

Barry Wilkinson, is leading 6 teams from Flintshire County Council doing permanent pot hole repairs following a new procedure. 16 tonnes of hot tarmac are being laid each day. Mr Seaberg will look into Mertyn Downing Lane, and how this is classified and it may require a temporary closure.

4. To read out expressions of interest and vote on the Co-option of a new community councillor

The clerk read out two expressions of interest from a Gemma Gibbons and Ian Davies and asked councillors to vote to co-opt a member onto the community council.

The clerk will email Gemma Gibbons to thank her for her expression of interest. The clerk said that sometimes she replies but there have been occasions when the email states it has tried to deliver unsuccessfully to her email. Therefore the clerk advised if people who know her can let her know about a forthcoming vacancy, which will have to go through the vacancy procedure again.

RESOLVED: Mr Ian Davies was co-opted onto the community council by majority vote. That the clerk invites Mr Ian Davies to the next meeting on 17 September 2018.

5. **Chairman's Communications** – Bryn Pennant residents' concerns regarding anti-social behaviour. Cllr. Debbie Seddon reported on spates of anti-social behaviour and has liaised with PC Kelly French Jones on this matter who is meeting with the community centre to go through safety procedures.

Members expressed concern about the Youth Club building and when this would be demolished. It is a concern as this is joined to the main school.

County Councillor Patrick Heesom believed this may take place during the summer.

RESOLVED: That the clerk send a letter to Flintshire County Council and ask the police for their support in expediting the demolition of the youth club.

Members were asked to be vigilant and report any anti-social behaviour to the police by calling 101.

6. County Forum Meeting – Feedback from Councillor Bob Hazelhurst.

Cllr. Hazlehurst in the absence of the Chair attending this meeting feedback about the TAN 1 vote, suspension of the clauses within it and Flintshire County Council not having a 5 year plan so developers using this to get through applications on appeal which ultimately lead to developments not normally approved.

There had been an armed forces update, promotion of the Welsh language – incorporating Welsh into some meetings as there has been a decrease from 14-13% also an update on the bus service review. 1.68 million from Welsh Assembly Government to Flintshire County Council. County Councillor Heesom reported that Flintshire County Council will maintain the present system on core routes subsidised by links to the outlying villages. Mostyn will maintain the same position.

Government Reform – Welsh Assembly Government will not merge the 22 existing councils but retain regional areas.

The Boundary Review – there will be 7 fewer County Councillors as fewer wards.

7. Police Matters

The clerk provided details of the Flintshire Summer Playscheme 23 July – 10 August, 1.30-3.30pm at Maes Pennant Play Area. This has been shared with PC Kelly French Jones. Cllr. Calvert raised that some parents expressed some children not behaving as they should the previous year. The clerk asked that any such matters be raised with the playworkers and Flintshire county council; the community council were unaware of this as no reports were received last year.

8. Initial planning for community engagement with local residents.

The clerk had circulated an example provided by County Councillor Patrick Heesom of a village questionnaire by Trelawnyd and Gwaenysgor Community Council.

Cllr. Debbie Seddon asked members who would be interested in forming a working group for this. County Councillor Heesom, Councillor Sarah Calvert and Cllr Debbie Seddon expressed an interest and would aim to provide a terms of reference for this group for the September 2018 meeting. Members of the public would be permitted to join.

RESOLVED: That a Community Engagement Working Group will be established.

That a terms of reference for a Community Engagement working group will be provided for the September 2018 meeting.

9. To discuss financial assistance request from Mostyn Community Centre

This had been a matter deferred at various meetings due to insufficient members without conflict of interest to vote. However, as there have been some resignations on the Mostyn Community Centre Management Committee, the vote could go ahead.

Cllr Roney asked if any of the members who had resigned would re. join post the vote. Cllr. Calvert advised this would not be the case as various reasons cited including other commitments had necessitated standing down by some members.

Cllr. Calvert asked what the financial assistance would be used for? Cllr. Williams responded so to say it helps toward running the building, subsidises what they can offer the groups etc. Cllr. Calvert agreed the community centre is a hub for social activities in the area and needs to be supported.

A proposal by County Councillor Heesom for financial assistance of £1,750 as per the original request, seconded by Cllr Debbie Seddon was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED: That the clerk write a cheque for £1,750 to Mostyn Community Centre for 2017/2018.

10. Update Community Street Lighting / Salix – Energy Efficiency Finance in the Public Sector

The clerk had circulated information after speaking to an officer from Salix on the green growth fund which the Chair asked all members to read carefully and raise any questions they may have at the September meeting. Although an officer from Salix offered to come to the September meeting, the clerk was asked to defer this to enable members to have sufficient time to consider the information. Cllr. Hazlehurst reported there were examples on the website of work undertaken in England to date which appeared to deliver a positive outcome with some cost savings.

Cllr. Hazlehurst reported lights out belonging to County and Community Council which he would report via Flintshire County Councils beta mapping system.

The clerk would find out the number of street lights remaining with the old sox lighting which are owned by the Community Council.

11. Summer Playscheme, Maes Pennant Recreation Ground Mostyn 23 July – 10 August 2018, 12.30 pm – 3.30pm

The summer Playscheme, part funded by the community council would go ahead.

12. Improvements to Children’s Play Areas 2018/2019 – to consider a letter from Ian Bancroft , Chief Officer Strategic Programmes about match funding and advise Aura’s Play Design Service of any park to be nominated by 31 August 2018

Members wished to nominate Swanfields in Rhewl again to complete the work commenced in 2017/2018.

RESOLVED: Members voted to invest up to £3,000 toward play park improvements in 2018/2019.

13. To receive, consider and adopt the Councils Retention of Documents Policy July 2018.

The clerk circulated a hard copy of this document which was a recommendation from the internal audit. The clerk apologised that the electronic copy had only gone out that morning, however she wished it to be noted that she had liaised with the chair about exceptional circumstances concerning a sudden admission and stay in hospital by a close relative.

RESOLVED: That the document was proposed by Cllr. Roney and seconded by Cllr. Hazlehurst and adopted for use by Mostyn Community Council July 2018.

14. Clerk’s Update and Correspondence

Consultations/Information from Welsh Government can now be found on a designated website <https://gov.wales/betaconsultations>

One Voice Wales Conference, Saturday 29 September 2018 Royal Welsh Showground bookings to be received by 31 August 2018.

Abandon Standing Orders

Invite to Flintshire and District Scouts AGM from Cllr. Arnold Woolley, Connahs Quay Hall, Wednesday 19 September 2018.

RESOLVED: That the clerk advise Cllr. Dave Seddon and County Councillor Heesom wish to attend.

The clerk made members aware of a document from Stephen O Jones, Chief Officer of Streetscene and Transportation Re. Road Closures for Events.

Update on Denbighshire Replacement Local Development Plan (LDP) approved 5 December 2017. The LDP review can now be progressed on an individual basis and a revised delivery agreement was approved by Welsh Government on 22 May 2018.

A resignation letter from Councillor Angela Tattum’s had been received. The clerk read out the letter. The Chair asked that Councillor Angela Tattum be thanked for her time and provided with Cllr Debbie Seddon’s details should you wish to speak with her about any matters.

RESOLVED: That the clerk write to Councillor Angela Tattum and thank her for her time and commitment as a community councillor.

Councillor Roney left the meeting 9.05pm

Reinstate standing orders.

15. Planning Applications (A) Planning Decisions
None

16. Approval of accounts for payment.

July					
(DD)	Pension				47.84
(DD)	Scottish Power	electricity			282.16
SO	Kay Roberts	Salary/HOA			579.19
101622	SLCC	Annual Subscription			73.50
101623	Deeco Lighting	Quarter Charge			1379.89
101624	Mostyn C Centre	Financial Assistance			1,750
101625	Play Equipment	Rhewl, Mostyn			6,000

17. Next Meeting 17 September 2018, 7.00pm at Mostyn Community Centre.

To agree arrangements for dealing with any urgent business during the August recess.

The Chair and Vice Chair agreed to deal with any urgent matters which arise during the recess period.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.