Minutes of the meeting of Mostyn Community Council

held in Mostyn Community Centre on Monday 18 June 2018

1. (A) To record attendance

Cllrs. B Hazlehurst, County Councillor P Heesom, E.J Jones, Dave Seddon, Debbie Seddon, and V Williams.

Mrs K L Roberts - Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

1 member of the public in the public gallery.

(B) To record apologies

Cllrs. S Calvert, J B Hughes, D Roney and A Tattum.

2. Matters arising from the AGM and General Meeting on 21 May 2018.

No matters arising from the meetings.

3. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting and General Meeting on 21 May 2018.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the Annual General Meeting and General Meeting were approved as an accurate record proposed by County Councillor Heesom and Councillor Hazlehurst.

4. Update from County Elections Office on Councillor Vacancy.

The clerk reported she had been informed by Lynn Phillips at Flintshire County Council elections office there has been no request for an election and the community council can move to co-op a person. The clerk had brought the relevant Co-option notice to the meeting and asked that they go on relevant notice boards and the perhaps in the post office. The deadline to submit an expression of interest is 9 July 2018. To date 1 expression of interest has been received.

5. Chairman's Communications – community issues raised by resident.

Cllr. Debbie Seddon briefed members on matters raised at the West Flintshire Town and Community Council meeting which included an update on the re opening of Greenfield Railway Station and a potential meeting with members of community councils and a representative of the police in the near future. The Chair used her discretion to take an email update from PC Kelly French Jones (Item 7) to be read out at the meeting by the clerk. This had been circulated by the clerk in advance of the meeting. In which the PC confirmed the best contact number is 101 – non emergency and 999 emergency. Also she advised members of the public can also go onto live chat with North Wales police accessible via the North Wales Police internet page. With reference to vehicles parking and causing an obstruction on the pavements, she acknowledged this is a problem faced in many housing estates were spaces are limited. She suggested posting on a Facebook page/website which Mostyn residents have access to asking people to refrain from parking on the pavement. Should a person feel they are obstructed they can contact the police noting the vehicle make, model and registration and if possible a photograph.

County Councillor Heesom reported Ken Skates AM is the minister who will be seeing some of the improvements to transport infrastructure such as Greenfield Railway to a successful conclusion.

6. Streetscene Matters – Highways, Roadworks and Street lighting.

7a Garages at Y Dreflan - ownership and a resident's concerns about the state of disrepair.

Cllr. Debbie Seddon asked County Councillor Heesom to update on this matter as he had recently received a response form Neal Cockerton at Flintshire County Council with regard concerns expressed about the garages at Y Dreflan, Mostyn. County Councillor Heesom reported the land is in the ownership of the County Council but the structures are not, and appear to be held on a ground lease. The terms of the lease suggest the County Council would need to provide notice to the owners of the structures - garages/sheds to remove and dispose accordingly. If there is difficulty determining the owners, notices are placed on the structures and after a time limit the garages are removed as part of the overall scheme. County Councillor Heesom is liaising with Flintshire County Council who inspected the site on 11 June 2018 and acknowledged the poor condition of the partially asbestos clad garages. The email concludes that the garage plot site can be developed as part of environmental work stream as there are council properties in close proximately. County Councillor Heesom will contact Iwan Cale, contracts surveyor to contribute to the feasibility stage of the study regarding future site use.

The clerk informed members that Mr Nigel Seaberg, Area Co-ordinator for Streetscene had no specific updates for the area but may attend the July meeting.

Flintshire County Council's grass cutting policy had been circulated by the clerk at the request of Cllr. Debbie Seddon.

Cllr. Debbie Seddon had also responded to a residents concerns over speeding, dog fouling etc and gave the man who was sat in the public gallery a few minutes to speak. He said he was satisfied with the response received and had highlighted a Salix green growth fund which he understood some community councils were accessed to help upgrade their street lighting. This would be an agenda item in July 2018 and the clerk sought to find out more about this.

The clerk circulated a booklet sent via Helen Jones – Older People's Strategy Co-ordinator entitled Creating connections – ageing well in Flintshire. It was noted that some councillors had provided information contained in the booklet.

Elancity had forwarded information on solar interactive lighting which records mph of a vehicle. The cost ranges from £1399 to £1799.

RESOLVED: Acknowledged as received. No further action to be taken.

- 7. Police Matters including cars obstructing pavements and response received from PC Kelly French Jones. At the Chair's discretion dealt with under item 5.
- 8. To discuss engagement and listening to community needs. To consider drafting a questionnaire to residents to gauge their needs.

A brief discussion took place about how do Mostyn Community Council ensure we know we are delivering what people need and how do we best communicate with residents.

County Councillor Heesom, prior to the July meeting will circulate the last village plan undertaken. This item will go on the July agenda to enable fuller consideration.

9. Play Area equipment Update - Swanfields, Rhewl.

Members are happy with the installed equipment. Cllr. Dave Seddon expressed concern about some of the safety matting under a piece of equipment which appeared to have lifted as grass had grown through and would speak to Richard Roberts at Aura. The clerk had written a small piece for the paper which noted the investment from the community council and its contribution to the forth coming summer Playscheme.

10. To discuss financial assistance request from Mostyn Community Centre

The clerk had received correspondence from Cllr. Hazlehurst who is also Chair of Mostyn Community Centre which advised 3 members had tendered their resignations and the Committee and Outside Bodies would require amending to remove Cllr. Debbie Seddon, Cllr. Patrick Heesom and Cllr. Eddie Jones.

The clerk confirmed 5 members needed to be present at the meeting to transact business.

There would only be 3 members left to vote who did not have a conflict of interest. This matter was deferred to the July meeting. The clerk would seek further guidance from the monitoring officer to enable this matter to move toward a suitable resolution.

11. Clerk's Update and Correspondence

Letter received from David Hanson MP regarding Alyn Works/ Solar Fires building.

The clerk had prior to the meeting circulated a letter from David Hanson MP's office and summarised the salient points - that the community council has now had their complaint about the Alyn Works/solar fires building state of disrepair acknowledged and placed on the planning enforcement register and an initial assessment of the alleged breach will take place following the site visit by the investigating officer within 15 working days from 23 May 2018.

County Cllr. Heesom also reported on liaison with Mr Andrew Farrow, Head of Planning at Flintshire County Council.

The next meeting of Flintshire and Wrexham Area Committee would take place on 7 June 2017, 7pm at Gwersyllt Community Resource Centre.

Abandon Standing Orders

The clerk read out information received entitled Fly the Red Ensign 3rd September 2018 which provides an opportunity to show your support for the seafarers on which the UK depends by proudly **flying the Red Ensign** as publicly as you can, and for all to see. Since the start of this century, 3rd September has been the UK's designated **Merchant Navy Day**.

Reinstate Standing Orders.

Information received no further action to be taken.

RESOLVED: The clerk would liaise with David Hanson MP Office prior to the July meeting.

12. Planning Applications (A) Planning Decisions

No new planning applications received.

Planning Application 058366 Hilltop from the May meeting had been approved.

13. A To receive and approve the annual accounting statement for 2017/2018 for the year.

B To receive and approve the report from JDH Business Services Ltd (internal auditor).

The clerk advised the Members that the Internal Auditor's Report for the year 2017 / 2018 had been received.

The clerk further advised members in relation to the contents of the report.

The clerk advised members that sections in the above document named: Accounting statements for 2017-18, together with the Annual Governance Statement (Part1) had been completed prior to the return being presented to the Internal Auditor. The clerk further advised that the Page **7** of **the** Annual Internal Audit report section had been completed by JDH Business Services. The Annual Governance Statement (Part 2) was now required to be signed by the Chair of the Council, together with the clerk.

RESOLVED: Completion of relevant sections of the annual statement by the Chair and Clerk.

Members agreed, Councillor Debbie Seddon sign the annual governance statement (part 2) 2017/2018.

The Clerk advised that from 21 May 2018 a notice will be displayed 'Notice of Appointment of Date for the Exercise of Electors' Rights Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2018 on notice boards in the villages.

14. Approval of accounts for payment.

Jun-18				
(DD)	Pension			47.84
SO	Kay Roberts			476
(DD)	Scottish Power			291.66
101617	J B Hughes	Annual Cllr. Payment		150.00
101618	JDH BS Ltd	Internal Audit		159.60
101619	K.Roberts	Salary and HOA		103.19
101620	HMRC	PAYE		7.40
101621	Annual Hall Hire	MC. centre		120.00

The clerk also provided an update on quarterly income:

Quarter 1 Income

April 10,666.67 – 1st precept payment. May £321.89 Rhewl Charity Playing fields. June £4.13 Bank Interest.

15. Next Meeting 16 July 2018, 7.00pm at Mostyn Community Centre.

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

The meeting closed at 8.23pm.