Minutes of the meeting of Mostyn Community Council

held in Mostyn Community Centre on Monday 17 September 2018.

1. (A) To record attendance

Cllrs. S. Calvert, I Davies (newly co-opted member) B Hazlehurst, County Councillor P Heesom, D.E.Jones, Dave Seddon (Vice Chairman), Debbie Seddon (Chair), and V Williams.

(B) To record apologies

Cllrs. J B Hughes and D Roney.

In attendance: Mrs K L Roberts Public Gallery: 2 members of the public

2. To record any declarations of interest from members

None received.

3. Matters arising from the 16 July 2018 community council meeting

Item 2 Page 1 County Councillor Patrick Heesom suggested on behalf of the community council the clerk write to Mr Colin Everett FCC CEO and Andrew Farrow, Head of Planning now there is information about who the owner of the solar fires building is. The Chair suggested waiting for a response from David Hanson MP office. At the Chair's discretion the clerk read out a letter dated 13 September from Mr David Hanson MP which stated no response has been received from FCC and this has been chased. The Chair suggested if no further response from David Hanson in 2 weeks to forward a letter as this matter is unresolved and the Alyn Works/Former Solar Fire building is in a state of disrepair and an eye sore for the community in addition to potentially being unsafe should people enter.

Also a request about what is happening with the Youth Club building as this was meant to be demolished in the summer holidays.

Members suggested, the Chair and Clerk meet with David Hanson MP at his October surgery at Mostyn Community Centre to convey the community councils concerns and impact the building has on the wider community.

An update from County Councillor Heesom that county will resurface the junction at Penrho. However, a speed survey would still be helpful. Concern about the bad road layout and poor visibility at Penrho.

Councillor Jones has tried without success to contact Christine Renshaw, Housing Officer about the overgrown state of some of the properties gardens without success. The clerk will follow up on this occasion.

County Councillor Heesom noted a less responsive action from Flintshire County Council to tenants and communities. The clerk too often has to chase for responses from county council officers which was echoed by the Chair. A matter which can be raised at the West Flintshire Working Group Meeting. Members agreed this would be a good forum to see if other community councils are experiencing similar issues.

4. To approve the minutes of the meeting on 16 July 2018

RESOLVED: The minutes were approved as an accurate record and proposed by Cllr. Hazlehurst and Cllr. Eddie Jones and signed by the Chair.

A To welcome Mr Ian Davies, newly co-opted community councillor to the meeting and sign the declaration of office. B To read out any expressions of interest for the positon of community councillor.

A The Chair, Cllr. Debbie Seddon welcomed Mr Ian Davies to the meeting and he signed his declaration of office which was witnessed by the clerk.

B The clerk provided an update on the vacancy for the community councillor role, prior to the end of the co-option period no new expressions of interest were received during recess. The elections office have now advised the vacancy most go up again and they will advise after 27 September 2018 if the council can move to co-option.

6. Chairman's Communications 6a Kingspan/Ysgol Bryn Pennant 6b Mostyn Horticultural Show, 6c Mostyn Revolutions Gala Day

The Chair reported Kingspan Give and Gain Project worked exceptionally hard over the summer period and painted the school hall, placed planters at the school and some play equipment. Members suggested a Mostyn Community Council Shield be provided to the workforce who gave their time voluntarily to make the school improvements. Members agreed, the Chair will organise as she understands a presentation to Kingspan will take place at the school and perhaps this is the time the community council can award the shield.

The Chair had attended Mostyn Horticultural Show to give the prizes; and reported a lovely day for all those attended. Also Mostyn Gala day which helped to raise money for the Morris Dancers.

7. Feedback on the Summer Playscheme 2018

The Chair had tried to contact Janet Roberts, Play Development Officer at Aura for feedback but has had no response. Positive comments - from those children who have attended.

8. Responding to social media comments

The Chair, had requested this agenda item due to some antagonistic comments from certain members of the public on Facebook. Members agreed in such instances they would not respond. The work of the community council can be clearly seen on their website www.mostyn-council.wales and individuals can attend community council meetings in the public gallery should they wish to do so.

9. Streetscene Matters

Issues raised by members: Cllr. Davies – Isglan Road very problematic with pot holes. The area of The Cob and Coast Road still have pot holes. Also Maes Pennant and Lime Bank Road.

County Councillor Heesom offered to circulate The Roadworks Bulletin to interested members.

Cllr. Williams reported how good the new off street parking was in Ffordd Ddyfrdwy and the bungalows.

10. Police Matters

No update from PC Kelly French Jones, the clerk had received an out of office email from her. Members requested the clerk to contact Mr Jason Baker, Town Clerk to Holywell to invite the new inspector / police representative to a meeting of the West Flintshire Working Group.

General consensus from members was a lack of police visibility in Mostyn/Rhewl.

Report of vandalism at Ysgol Maes Pennant, which it is understood the Police are aware of.

11. To consider and approve a terms of reference for the Community Engagement Working Group.

The relevant members had not had opportunity to meet. This item will be deferred to the October agenda. County Councillor Heesom circulated the last community questionnaire from 2005 for members to consider. Many felt at an initial glance the questionnaire was far too long at 22 pages, and some key questions need to be agreed upon to gauge residents' opinions/needs which should be condensed onto a short questionnaire/survey.

12. Community Street Lighting Update / Salix – Energy Efficiency Finance in the Public Sector - to receive any feedback from Councillors.

No specific questionnaires from members. The Chair, asked Cllr. Bob Hazlehurst if he would be willing to co-ordinate light fault reports for county and community owned street lights. Proposed by Cllr. Debbie Seddon and seconded by Cllr. Dave Seddon. Councillor Hazlehurst agreed to take on this role.

Councillor Bob Hazlehurst also agreed to form a subcommittee to look at lighting matters including renewal options starting with Salix. The clerk will initially work with Cllr. Hazlehurst to furnish him with relevant lighting information.

The clerk believes in the region of 90 lights are community council owned but awaits an update from Deeco Lighting. Cllr. Hazlehurst said this may be less as some have not worked for some time near the woods and were agreed (due to repeat vandalism) not to be renewed by members.

RESOLVED: Councillor Bob Hazlehurst will write a Terms of Reference and co-ordinate a Sub Committee responsible for Community Street Lighting.

This will include reports of faulty street lighting now going directly to Cllr Hazlehurst and not the clerk.

13. To receive, consider and adopt the Councils Information and Data Protection Policy and Privacy Notice.

This document had been circulated in advance of the meeting and there were no questions raised. It was proposed by Cllr. Hazlehurst and seconded by Cllr. Calvert to adopt this document for Mostyn CC.

14. Clerk's Update and Correspondence

Save the date: Major of Mold, Karen Hodgkinson, Charity Dinner, Friday 22 February 2018, Beaufort Park Hotel, New Brighton, Mold, CH7 6RQ

Members agreed the Chair, should she wish can attend the Major of Mold's Charity dinner.

Independent Review Panel on Community and Town Councils in Wales - findings and recommendations.

The clerk had circulated in advance the IRP – findings and recommendations.

The Chair reported it was her opinion that the language used is often not lay terms in this document. Reassuring in some aspects that the community council is doing most of what is recommended including it formulating plans to engage with the community to gauge their needs to ensure its priorities are driven by local people.

To receive - One Voice Wales North Wales Training Schedule September 2018 - March 2019

County Forum meetings - 14 February 2019, 25 June 2019 and 7 October 2019.

Sometimes correspondence arrives in the post after the agenda's circulation in this case a note in the minutes will read suspend standing orders as an item not on the agenda should not be discussed.

The information below was shared:

Plasteco - wood manufacturer of recycled plastics.

Public Meeting – Stop the Pylons "The next Step" Canolfan Gaerwen, Friday 28 September 2018 7.30pm.

Invite Leeswood and Pontblyddyn Community Council by Councillor D Rule to his civic service to be held at Christ Church, Pontblyddn 14 October 2018, at 11.15am.

Members discussed with the Chair attendance at various civic services, it was agreed as Cllr. Debbie Seddon would be representing her community it would be good to take up an invite when an event was taking place locally. Therefore on this occasion she would not attend.

Application form for Training Bursary Scheme in Wales – the clerk had requested to attend "The Council Meeting" Training Module in Mold £60.00. A bursary may be approved. Members agreed to this training for the clerk.

15. Planning Applications (A) Planning Decisions

(A) 057677 Morgan Freight - Change of use from transport and distribution facility to mixed B1, B2 and B8 use (retrospective). Feedback from County Councillor Patrick Heesom.

This previous agenda item was discussed.

Cllr. Seddon reported she had been contacted by the residents of Martin Mews who state they were not consulted about the proposals. County Councillor Heesom reported that any proposal to develop the site will be subject to the standard enforcement issues that apply.

The clerk had furnished Cllr Debbie Seddon with the community council's initial questions to Flintshire County Council back in November 2017, which were not responded to. The clerk had chased further and Flintshire County Council had advised they would respond in due course.

Councillor Debbie Seddon will respond to the residents of Martin Mews.

16. To receive an update from clerk / approve and accept the annual return and report from BDO external auditors for the financial year 2017/2018.

The clerk reported there has been a qualified issue which has been raised as part of the audit by BDO, external auditor. The clerk had emailed the auditor and spoke with a Mr Ed Webb from BDO who explained that as the Risk Assessment Document was signed in April 2018 and not March 2018, therefore it just fell outside of the financial year. There would therefore be a delay in uploading the relevant completed annual return on the community council website which is usually prior to 30 September each year and the Notice of Audit Conclusion of audit would go on notice boards in October 2018.

The clerk advised members a report should come from BDO in due course and she hoped this would be available at the October meeting. Next year the review of the Risk Assessment document would be diarised for February/March 2019. To avoid this being raised in the 2019 audit.

A matter on the assets register was also raised by the auditor who could see play equipment purchased in the financial year not reflected on the asset list for Mostyn Community Council. However, the clerk explained this was repaired by Flintshire County Council (FCC) and therefore BDO agreed it is in FCC ownership and therefore no change to the asset register were required.

RESOLVED: Members thanked the clerk for her work for both the internal and external audits.

17. Approval of accounts for payment.

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(DD)	Pension			47.84
(DD)	Scottish Power			291.66
SO	Kay Roberts			579.19
101626	HMRC			14.80
	One Voice	Training		
101627	Wales	clerk		40.00

The second precept payment of £10,666.67 was received in August. This is one of three precept payments received in 2018/2019.

18. Next Meeting 15 October 2018, 7.00pm at Mostyn Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.