

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF MOSTYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Monday, 21st March 2022 / Dydd Llun 21ain Mawrth 2022

1 a. To record attendance

Councillor Dave Seddon (Chair), Bob Hazlehurst (Vice Chair), County Councillor Patrick Heesom, Councillors Sarah Calvert and James Jackson.

b. To record apologies:

Councillor Flynn.

Absent without apology: Councillors David Roney and Ian Davies

2. Declarations of interests in relation to the listed agenda items.

Item 5: Financial Assistance

Community Centre – Councillors David Seddon & Bob Hazlehurst

Estuary Voluntary Car Scheme – Councillors David Seddon & Bob Hazlehurst

Item 6: Streetscene Matters – County Councillor Patrick Heesom

3. Chairman's Communications:

a. The Chair welcomed Collette Lowry to her new post as Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer of Mostyn Community Council.

b. The Chair discussed the forthcoming elections and stressed how important it was to recruit new candidates. Councillor Calvert offered assistance in promoting on social media.

c. Residents of Tre Mostyn have been in contact with the Chair to enquire how to obtain a defibrillator in their area. The Chair will now get in touch with them to arrange a meeting and to ascertain ownership of the phone box on site. Sharing costs with Mostyn Estates was considered with Stephen Gladwin being mentioned as a contact to pursue this idea.

d. JDH Business Services have contacted Mostyn Community Council to inform them of intended increase to fees moving forward. It was resolved that although members would like to continue contracting them for audit purposes for the year 2022/23 due to satisfaction of services throughout the years and in the purpose of maintaining a good working relationship, the council would confirm their decision after new members were elected. It was also acknowledged that the majority of costs for services have increased generally.

e. The Chair extended his invitation to Holywell Mayor's Ball to members as he was unable to attend.

4. To approve the minutes of the 15th November 2021 meeting.

a. To receive any matters arising from those minutes.

b. Banking matters from November onwards

a. The minutes were proposed by County Councillor Patrick Heesom and Seconded by Cllr. Bob Hazlehurst and would be signed as an accurate record by the Chair.

Councillor David Seddon informed members he would continue to chase up the matter of the dog bin with Streetscene (Agenda item 4).

b. Members received an update from Councillor Hazlehurst regarding issues arising from lack of signatories for the main bank account resulting in failure to make payments in the short term. HSBC have now started the process to accept Councillor Hazlehurst as primary user, with the remaining processes:

1. Councillor Hazlehurst to submit a new mandate to include the Chair Councillor David Seddon and the Clerk Collette Lowry as new signatories on the accounts.
2. When both have been verified by the bank change primary user to the Responsible Financial Officer Collette Lowry.

Councillor Hazlehurst also outlined outstanding invoices and amounts and provided bank balances.

5.To receive, consider and agree financial assistance for groups and organisations for 2021/22.

All applications were carefully considered with the merits of each club and organisation discussed and noted. Members acknowledged the importance for social groups within the community and the need for assistance to be provided to the Estuary Car scheme and Mostyn Christ Church which has been under threat of closure. Councillor Hazlehurst explained the activities of the Community Centre, Arts & Craft Club and Gardening club, explaining how it is a lifeline to some members of the community. County Councillor Heesom related to council how impressed he was to see the community of Mostyn rally to support the Church.

Resolved

- a. Estuary Voluntary Car Scheme - £500 awarded
- b. Mostyn Community Centre - £2,000 awarded
- c. Mostyn & District Gardening Club - £250.00 awarded
- d. Mostyn Arts & Crafts Club - £250 awarded
- e. Urdd Gobaith Cymru - £150 awarded
- f. Samaritans of North East Wales - £150 awarded
- g. Mostyn Christ Church - £300 awarded

6.To consider Streetscene matters

a.To receive an update on Community Council owned street lighting from the Vice Chairman, Councillor Bob Hazlehurst.

Councillor Hazlehurst explained to members the delays on repairs to street lighting due to access issues for workmen resulting in the need to replace the poles with more up to date alternatives. Research is already underway for this task. The mention of inadequate lighting in the Ffordd Ysgubor/Bod Hyfryd area resulted in a discussion of potentially relocating the street lighting which is also in need of repair.

b. Council discussed the recent village litter picks and how well the group had managed both logistics of the days and the organising of the collections with the Streetscene team. It was noted what a difference these efforts had made. Councillor Calvert wished to have her thanks to the community group noted in the minutes and offered to thank them via social media. Councillor Hazlehurst seconded this motion. It was resolved for Councillor Seddon to thank Streetscene for their co-operation.

7.To consider any Police matters

It was noted that there appears to have been no contact from the police for 12 months, with the council's only point of contact being PC Kelly French Jones. The Clerk was tasked with checking recent correspondence on emails which may have been missed in the absence of a clerk, in order to resume meetings/communications.

8.Planning Matters

a.Applications

Regarding ref: 064094, (application for steel building at Lime Bank Cottages land), to note as received. The lack of clarity as to the size of the structure was noted. Councillor Seddon informed council that further information regarding applications is accessible from the website.

b. Decisions

The Chair wished to thank Councillor Patrick Heesom for his dedication to his work involving the Pennant Park application. Councillor Calvert seconded this.

9.To consider items for the next meeting on Monday 18th April 2022 before the May Elections.

Due to election protocol, the Chair advised members that the next meeting would be an update and information only meeting with all further decisions to be deferred to next full council in May 2022.

Chair closed the meeting at 8.37pm
