

Cyngor Cymuned Mostyn Mostyn Community Council



Minutes of Full Council Hybrid Meeting of Mostyn Community Council held in Mostyn Community Centre on

17th March 2025 / 17ed Mawrth 2025

24-145 a) To record attendance:

Chair: Kristina Howells

Members: David Seddon, Steven Tomlinson, Pamela Banks, Mike Lewis-Jones, Hayley Jones, Meg Howells, Patrick Heesom & Thomas Beal (online)

Officers: Collette Lowry (Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer)

Members of the Public: 0

b) Apologies for absence:

Members accepted apologies and reasons for absence from Councillor Ray Knight.

24-146 Chairman's Remarks:

Chair, Councillor Kristina Howells reported on the recent community drop in event which the Flintshire recycling team, the police, MS Hannah Blythin and MP Becky Gittings attended, and thanked all members who were present. She reported a further event was to be held in another 3 months. She also stated that the police would be attending the next meeting and that there would be a village walkaround scheduled for the 22nd April if any members were available.

24-147 Community Endeavour Awards Presentation 2024-2025:

Councillor Kristina Howells presented Steve Harwood with his community endeavour award and thanked him on behalf of the Community Council for his achievements and endeavours in raising money towards the school's CCTV cameras.

24-148 Declarations of interest:

To receive any declarations made by Members in accordance with Council's Code of Conduct.

Councillors Pam Banks, David Seddon & Mike Lewis Jones all signed declarations of interest in regard to Item 17 (Financial Assistance). Councillor Pam Banks left the meeting for the item. These members did not vote on the matter.

24-149 Public Speaking:

None

24-150 Minutes & Meetings:

a) To approve the minutes of the 17th February 2025 full council meeting.

b) To receive any matters arising from those minutes.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the 17th February 2025 full council meeting as an accurate record and would be signed by the Chair of the Council. There were no matters arising.

24-151 Clerk's Updates, Requests and Communications: Clerks report –

The Clerk reported that:

- a) Councillor James Jackson had now resigned from his position as Mostyn ward councillor and that County Council had been informed with the vacancy process having begun.
- b) The Benefit Advice Shop had contacted the council to enquire as to venues for holding outreach sessions in Mostyn. They had been provided with the Community Centre and the County Councillor's contact details.
- c) Councillor Meg Howells was now in the process of becoming a signatory for banking matters.
- d) The Clerk would be attending the SLCC Clwyd branch meeting on 19th March 2025.

Email Communications:

Email Communications		
28/02/2025	Welsh Government	Welsh Government: Consultation
28/02/2025	Clerk	Port of Mostyn - news article
28/02/2025	North Wales Police	North Wales Police and Crime Plan
28/02/2025	Planning Aid Wales	Latest news from Planning Aid Wales
09/03/2025	Planning Aid Wales	Book now, reduced price!
09/03/2025	One Voice Wales	Senedd Report
09/03/2025	Welsh Government	Find out if you are eligible to pay less Council Tax
10/03/2025	Benefit Advice Shop	Benefit Advice Shop outreach
		Draft diversity and inclusion guidance for registered political parties – summary of responses to the consultation
11/03/2025	One Voice Wales	
12/03/2025	One Voice Wales	Senedd Review Final Determinations
12/03/2025	One Voice Wales	Senedd report published on Role, Governance and Accountability of Community and Town Council Sector

Members noted the communications circulated throughout the previous month and discussed the Port of Mostyn who had purchased the old Warwicks site.

IT WAS RESOLVED: for the Clerk to request a site visit.

24-152 Planning Matters: a) Applications:

Planning Application Number	Proposal	Address
FUL/000157/25	VARIATION OF CONDITION OF NO. 3 ATTACHED TO PLANNING PERMISSION REF: COU/001111/23 TO ALLOW USE OF PREVIOUSLY CONSENTED STATIC HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION UNITS FOR EMERGENCY RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION	Old Tavern, Mostyn, Holywell, CH8 9DX

Members discussed planning application FUL/000157/25

IT WAS RESOLVED: to send the statement compiled by Councillor Meg Howells and the planning committee to the planning department and file an objection.

Members noted the advice given by MP Becky Gittins to lodge objections on a singular basis rather than collectively.

a. Decisions:

None

b. Planning updates:

Following the resignation of Councillor James Jackson, a vacancy has now arisen on the Planning Committee. Members to consider nominations.

IT WAS RESOLVED: for Councillor Hayley Jones to join the Planning Committee.

24-153 Accounts & Finances:

To approve the February 2025 accounts paid:

Invoice date	Supplier	Item	Amount inc VAT		Minute reference	Slip ref:
	Earl Haig Poppy Appeal	Remembrance wreath	£20.00	CHQ	Auth Nov - cheque cleared 05/02/25	
03/02/2025	Scottish Power	Streetlighting 1/01-01/02	£359.72	DD	24/14	348
23/01/2025	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Lighting installation & storage	£492.00	BACS	24/84	349
21/02/2025	HSBC	Monthly Bank Charges	£5.00	DR	24/14	350
25/02/2025	Multiple	Staffing costs	£1,063.40	BACS	24/14	351,352
10/02/2025	Eventbrite	Understanding Section 106 Planning Obligations	£40.00	BACS		353
18/02/2025	Pleasers Jewellers	CE Shield engraving x 3	£30.00	CARD	24/141	354
		Total	£2,010.12			

*Payments may have been made using email authorisation/pre-authorisation (Financial Regulations 5.6)

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note and approve the accounts paid in February 2025.

To review March 2025 accounts for payment:

Invoice date	Supplier	Item	Amount inc VAT		Minute reference	Slip ref:
26/02/2025	Ionos Cloud Ltd	Hosting 25/02-25/03	£7.20	DD	24/14	355
17/02/2025	Clr Mike Lewis Jones	Feb FC meeting refreshments	£4.34	BACS	24/41	356
02/03/2025	Eventbrite	C Lowry - Understanding the Planning System	£50.00	CARD	24/133	357
02/03/2025	Eventbrite	M Howells - Understanding the Planning System	£50.00	CARD	24/133	358
02/03/2025	Eventbrite	D Seddon - Understanding the Planning System	£50.00	CARD	24/133	359
03/03/2025	Scottish Power	Streetlighting 01/02-01/03	£324.80	DD	24/14	360
21/03/2025	HSBC	Monthly Bank Charges	£5.00	DR	24/14	361
25/03/2025	Multiple	Staffing costs	£1,063.40	BACS	24/14	362,363
27/02/2025	One Voice Wales	Annual membership 25/6	£374.00	BACS		364
11/03/2025	Scottish Power	Final invoice	£289.87	DD	24/14	365
11/03/2024	Viking Direct Ltd	Year end files/paper	£82.34	BACS	auth at meeting	366
11/03/2025	Viking Direct Ltd	Printer toner	£70.79	BACS	auth at meeting	367
		Total	£2,371.74			

IT WAS RESOLVED: to approve the accounts submitted for payment in March 2025.

February 2024 Income:

None

Other Financial Matters:

Members were asked to consider the continuation of One Voice Wales membership for 2025/6 at a fee of £374.00.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to continue membership with One Voice Wales for 2025/6.

24-154 Police matters:

Members to report matters arising.

Members reported that there was still a presence of off-road bikes.

24-155 Lighting & Streetscene:

a) Updates from previous meetings.

- Footpath on Penrho – booked in/waiting for a date

b) Members to report matters arising.

The Clerk reported that a resident had sent an email thanking Streetscene for the road markings being completed in Rhewl and that reports had been received via the Fix My Street app regarding the potholes on Lime Bank/Lletty Hill.

Members also reported the collapsed wall on Halendy had still not been rectified and that the amounts of litter visible on Ffordd Pennant was increasing.

24-156 Environmental Matters:

a) Safety of Lithium-ion Batteries Campaign: (see attached document).

There has been a request to join 500 other councils in supporting a campaign regarding the following issues:

- That e bikes and e scooters and the Lithium-ion batteries used to propel them are subject to independent testing before being marketed. Currently this is not the case.

- That regulation are made to ensure the safe disposal of the batteries. Currently this is not the case resulting in fires in bin lorries and waste disposal sites.
- That charging kits and conversion kits used on the bikes are also safe. Currently regulations do not cover this.
- That online marketplaces through which many goods are sold nowadays are subject to the same safety regulations as high street shops. Currently this is not the case.

Members are requested to consider supporting the campaign.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to refer the matter to Councillor Ray Knight.

b) Councillor Ray Knight to report on any matters arising.

Councillor Ray Knight had submitted apologies for the meeting so was unable to report.

24-157 Amended meeting times:

Members were requested to consider an amended start time of future full council meetings.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to commence future meetings at 6.00pm with immediate effect.

24-158 Play Areas:

Members to review the documents distributed by Richard Roberts of Gwella, and to resolve a mutually convenient meeting date.

Members discussed various meeting dates.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to inform Gwella that members would not require a site visit until members of the Planning Committee had researched options available for the skate park space.

24-159 Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report 2025-26:

The IRPW has now released the final Annual Report for 2025-26. Members had received the draft report at the December 2024 full council meeting.

Determination 7 10.10, Members of Community and Town Councils will be paid £156 a year (equivalent to £3 a week) towards the extra household expenses (including heating, lighting, power, and broadband) of working from home. And Councils must either pay their members £52 a year for the cost of office consumables required to carry out their role, or alternatively councils must enable members to claim full reimbursement for the cost of their office consumables.

As with previous years, members may opt out of receiving the allowance by confirming in writing to the Clerk. Forms to accept/opt out will be distributed at the May Annual meeting.

Members noted the information provided.

24-160 2025 Electoral Review Programme:

The Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru has published its Policy and Practice document in preparation for the 2025 Electoral Review Programme.

The Commission is seeking your views on the Policy and Practice document and the closing date for responses is 24 March 2025. The Commission intends to commence ERP 2025 from April 2025 onwards.

The Policy and Practice document can be found on the DBCC [website](#).

Responses to the consultation on the Policy and Practice should be submitted to Consultations@dbcc.gov.wales by the 24 March 2025.

Members noted the information provided.

24-161 Financial Assistance applications:

Members to consider the additional applications attached. A budget for £4000 had been made available for 2024-2025, £2550 of which allocated at the January full council meeting, and £500 at the February meeting, leaving a remaining £950 available to allocate.

*As per Standing orders, applications not distributed with agenda cannot be considered.

Organisation	Funds requested
Mostyn Food Pantry	£250.00
Ysgol Bryn Pennant	Not specified

IT WAS RESOLVED: to divide the remaining Financial Assistance budget between Ysgol Bryn Pennant and the Foodbank.

24-162 County Councillors reports:

To receive County Councillor updates on any relevant County issues not otherwise covered on the agenda.

Councillor Pam Banks reported that the main road in Rhewl had been completed and that Lime Bank was scheduled. She reported that the footpath in Penrho still needed to be repaired.

Councillor Banks also updated members that some complaints had come in for the housing officer and that the fallen tree on the Coast Road should have been removed.

24-163 Community Councillors reports:

To receive Community Councillor updates from members.

- Councillor Patrick Heesom reported on the recent meeting attended with NMWALC on 7th March 2025.

24-164 Close of meeting:

Chair closed the meeting at 8.11 pm.
