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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRYMBO COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2005 IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE BRYMBO**

Present - Cllr D Moran (Chairman)

and

Brymbo Ward Councillors – N Davies, D Greenaway, G Jones, K Monti, M Shone, A Stapley, B Stapley.

Bwlchgwyn Ward Councillors – S Tilston, P Thomas, H Williams.

County Borough Councillor – N Price. Police – Pc Steve Owen.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs A Birch, M Crowther, and D Griffiths. Cllr A Stapley proposed, seconded by Cllr H Williams, and agreed, that Cllr Monti should take the Chair for the start of the meeting as Cllr Moran had told the Clerk that she would be a little late. The minutes of the AGM and meeting held on 10 May 2005 were approved and signed by the Chairman, after Cllr Shone had requested that Min10 (3) be altered to read “Cllr Shone advised the Fishing Club to contact their insurance company regarding the premium they are paying for Public Liability, and investigate the possibility of securing some support funding from AVOW, through the Key Fund, for projects they wish to undertake. Cllr Davies has already provided some assistance for this”

The Clerk is to send a letter of thanks, and some flowers to Mrs Charlton, who stood in as a locum Clerk for the April and May meetings. Cllr Monti welcomed the Clerk back after his leave of absence.

## **16 POLICING**

Pc Owen gave a crime report for the period since the May meeting.

Brymbo – 7 property damage, 2 domestics, 2 street disorder, 3 anti-social, 3 nuisance There had also been a report of a child abduction, but this had been solved quickly. Bwlchgwyn – 1 domestic alcohol related, 3 outbuilding thefts. No calls had been received of juvenile nuisance, although there had been reports of youths congregating in certain areas. Cllr Thomas is to act as a liaison contact for Bwlchgwyn. Vron – 1 criminal damage to a vehicle, 2 anti-social, 2 disputes, 1 assault. Pc Owen said that operation zero had been initiated against the use of off-road motor cycles, signs had been put up at strategic points, and there has been an increased police presence in some areas like Brymbo Pool. Permission has been received from the owner of Bwlchgwyn Quarry for the police to stop vehicles using it. A letter had been received from the Head of St Mary’s School regarding damage to School property, and the police had solved the problem by increased patrols. The School are now investigating the possibility of installing CCTV and will seek funding support. A police visit had been made to Tabernacle flats after reports of problems, and Cllr Shone asked if further checks can be made as there have been further reports about the behaviour of the occupants. Pc Owen said a search and rescue operation had been mounted for a resident of Pen y Garth Nursing Home, who was found injured after a fall. A large amount of alcohol had been seized from youths in the Welsh Churchyard, and the police had met the agents selling the Engedi Chapel after damage was reported to the property. Pc Owen said that there had been a very successful seminar conducted by a forensic expert at St Mary’s School, at which the children joined in a role play exercise. Cllr Shone said a letter of appreciation had been received from residents of St Albans Heights for the action taken against the nuisance problem they had encountered. Cllr B Stapley reported that a resident of Brymbo is disappointed that she has not had a police visit after reporting damage to windows of her property. Pc Owen said that he is disappointed that the numbers attending his Brymbo surgeries have fallen, in spite of him trying different times, and

appealed to councillors to encourage members of the public to attend. The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Inspector Chesters seeking support from Community Councils in providing

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administrative help for meetings arranged for the “Neighbourhood Policing” initiative to be run over the next 3 years. The Chairman thanked Pc Owen for attending the meeting.

**17 CAMBRIAN HOUSE**

No further information.

**18 COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Cllr Price reported that Old Road through Bwlchgwyn has been closed for a traffic calming scheme, and traffic is being re routed through the village. He said that an audit is to be conducted of all Community Centres in the County Borough, in order to assess their condition and the survey will report on suggestions for alternative uses. In answer to a question from Cllr Monti he said that Management Committees will be informed of dates of visits. Cllr Price said that there is £40,000 available for the refurbishment of Bwlchgwyn Centre. With regard to the proposed skate park for Bwlchgwyn, Cllr Price said that money has been set aside but consultations must be held with the potential users. Cllr Thomas said that full consultation must also be had with residents who live in the vicinity of the proposed site. Cllr Price informed the Council that Northern Marches have given funding of £800.00 to Bwlchgwyn Residents Association for the organisation of a Fun Day for the village, which is to be held in September. Cllr Shone reported that the WCBC SportLot bid for the establishment for a MUGA for the Blast Road site is no longer being proceeded with because they cannot prove ownership of the land. He said that BDL the likely owners of the entire site would agree to transfer the kick about area and childrens play area to the Brymbo Regeneration Trust, and WCBC have agreed to maintain any new facility. However funding of approximately £48,000 would need to be found for any new installation. He said that to alleviate the problem of youths causing a nuisance in St Albans Heights a football pitch has now been created on the “Blackie Site” in the Vron, and goal posts will soon be erected. Cllr Shone said that he has been informed by Community Services WCBC that they are not prepared decorate Brymbo Community Centre following the structural work that has been done, but he has asked for this in writing. Cllr Monti said that he had arranged for decoration to be done only to be told that it would undertaken by WCBC. Cllr Shone also said that he had taken up the problem of a possible loss of disabled access with the agent selling an adjoining property. The Chairman thanked Cllrs Price and Shone for their reports.

**19 ROADS**

A letter had been received from WCBC regarding the 50/50 traffic calming partnership. There were no roads in the Community Area that had a sufficient number of points to qualify for this scheme. The Clerk said that the repair work for Fronheulog Hill will be started in the week commencing 19 June. A letter from WCBC stated that the Ruthin Road sign adjacent to the Kings Head Bwlchgwyn is to be repaired or replaced, and a notice will be issued to trim over hanging vegetation on Blast Road. However, a directional sign for Tanyfron and the Ruthin Road near to the by pass has been refused as current guidance only allows for the signing of primary destinations off primary routes, which in this case is Brymbo. Cllr Tilston said that there had been no consultation by WCBC with the Community Council prior to the closing of Old Road Bwlchgwyn for a traffic calming scheme. The re-routing of heavy traffic through the village has been done during a busy period, and better arrangements could have been made. A letter is to be sent to WCBC. Cllr B Stapley said that he had been approached by residents of Church View who have asked whether the

Council would be prepared to part fund surface repairs to this unadopted road. The Clerk is to check whether there is empowering legislation to allow the Council to do this.

**20 BUS SHELTERS SERVICES AND STOPS** .No further information.

**21 PLAYINGFIELDS AND PLAYGROUNDS.** No further information.

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**22 LAMPS**

Cllr A Stapley said that a number of lamps in Brymbo are shielded by overgrown vegetation, and the Clerk said he had written to the owner of a property in Church View asking him to trim, or allow the Council to trim, vegetation shielding a lamp but as yet had not received a reply. Cllr Stapley said that he was still concerned about the column that has no supply on the Mount Hill, and the Clerk is to write to WCBC to ask whether the provision of this was a condition of a planning application for the Mount Hill development.

**23 FOOTPATHS** No further Information.

**24 WAR MEMORIALS** No further information.

**25 CHURCHYARDS** No further information.

**26 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning application was considered and approved -  
P/2005/0623 – The Foundry Pentre Saeson Bwlchgwyn – Listed Building consent for minor amendments to previous application together with new design details for porch & conservatory (partly in retrospect). However, certain observations have been made on the application. Cllr B Stapley said he has already voiced his concerns to the MP and AM about retrospective planning.

The Chief Planning Officer WCBC has organised a meeting for councillors on “Your Role in Planning Wrexham” which will be held on 16 June, and Cllrs B Stapley and H Williams are to attend. The Clerk has sent Cllr Birch a notification from WCBC that a Section 78 Appeal has been lodged against the decision by WCBC to refuse the planning application for land at the corner of College Hill and Tanyfron Road (P/2004/1042).

Copies of recent WCBC planning decisions have been received by the Clerk. The Clerk has also received a copy of the Wrexham Unitary Development Plan 1996/2011, which was taken by Cllr B Stapley.

**27 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – June 2005**

|   | £       |
|---|---------|
| 1412 Scottish Power – Energy (April and May)                      | 937.45  |
| 1413 NWP Electrical Ltd – New lamp Fronheulog Hill                | 869.50  |
| 1414 BT – Telephone account                                       | 103.31  |
| 1415 NWP Electrical Ltd – Maintenance (May)                       | 538.70  |
| 1416 Encore Office Systems – Photocopier maint (May/June/July)    | 35.25   |
| 1417 Mrs E M Charlton – Refund of postages                        | 5.42    |
| 1418 A R Cardiff – Salary   |         |
| 383.81            1419 Inland Revenue – Tax/NI                    |         |
| 118.52  |         |
| 1420 A R Cardiff – Refund of postages                             | 25.64   |
| 1421 Caia Park Partnership – Computer equipment for Brymbo OnLine | 4980.00 |

The payment to the Caia Park Partnership will be funded by a grant of £5480.000 which has been awarded to the Council by the West Wrexham Key Fund and will provide community facilities as permitted by the Local Government Act 1972. The payment to Earthworks in March recorded in the April minutes (Min 189) was the utilisation of a Deprivation Grant from WCBC for environmental improvements as permitted by the Local Government Act 1976 .

## **28 DONATIONS**

The following donations were agreed -

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Ysgol Tanyfron PTFA £100.00 proposed by Cllr B Stapley , seconded by Cllr A Stapley, and agreed. Shelter £50.00 proposed by Cllr K Monti and seconded by Cllr D Greenaway, and agreed. Prior to the donations being granted the Clerk gave councillors an update on the amount spent to date from the donations budget.

## **29 BRYMBO FISHING POOL**

The Clerk read out a letter from the Secretary of Brymbo Angling Club. The Clerk is to write to the Secretary to answer some of the points raised in the letter, and seek legal advice on other questions asked.

## **30 BRONWENS GREEN**

Cllr Shone reported that the contractors will be in a position to return to the site on 21 June to continue work which will include putting in picnic benches, drainage work etc. Weed killing will also be carried out on the stone car park.

## **31 FAMILY FUN DAY AT BWLCHGWYN**

Cllr Tilston reported that the Bwlchgwyn Residents Association are organising a Family Fun Day, which is scheduled for 3 September. Cllr Price had already informed the Council that Northern Marches have provided funding of £800.00 for the event, and Cllr Tilston said that after a residents walk about around the village £60.00 had been raised in a raffle and over £100.00. at a race meeting held at the Kings Head. The Clerk had investigated whether the Councils insurance would cover this event, and he gave Cllr Tilston a copy of reply he had received from Cornhill. A donation request by the Residents Association is to be put on the Agenda for the July meeting.

## **32 ANNUAL AUDIT 2004/5**

The Clerk notified councillors that the external audit has been scheduled for 29 July. He said he will be taking the books to the internal auditor for audit purposes on 4 July. The Chairman and Clerk signed the Receipts and Payments Book.

## **33 CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence had been received by the Clerk –

Mayors Civic Visit to Parish Church 26/6 – invite response by 17/6. WCBC – variation to licensable activities for the Kings Head in Bwlchgwyn. – WCBC Local Transport Plan (Annual Progress Report) – WCBC Brymbo/Broughton Housing Renewal Area Steering Group. – Meeting 8/6. Welsh Assembly – Report of the Review Group re Review of the Operation of the Local Govt. Codes of Conduct in Wales. Welsh Assembly – Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales. Legal Services Commission –

Consultation Draft re Advice Services Strategy for Wales 2005/2008.. SLCC – next meeting 22/6 in Ruthin. SLCC – West Midlands Regional Conference for Clerks and Councillors 1/7. Clwyd Community Chest – AGM 21/7. Open Space – Summer 2005 edition. Ramblers Assoc. – Handbook and Accommodation Guide 2005 and Walk Mag. Summer edition.

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm...

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