

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF QUEENSFERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

HELD 7.00pm TUESDAY 9 March 2021 (Via Zoom)

PRESENT: Cllrs. Mrs P. Connah (presiding) Mrs C. Jones (vice-chair) R. Connah, D. Dawson, K. Garret, E. Lomas, Mrs. S. Salisbury, T. Williams, D. Wisinger, Mrs. S. Wynn & the Clerk.

ATTENDEES: **Two candidates for the co-option vacancy, three local residents.**

1) APOLOGIES: Cllr. Mrs K. Chester, Mr. P. Edwards (Street-Scene)

2) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 9 February 2021 were taken as read & approved, proposed by Cllr. D. Wisinger, seconded by Cllr. E. Lomas (as Cllr. Wisinger not present at this meeting- Proposer Cllr. R. Connah). The Chairman would be signing these Minutes.

3) ISSUES ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- a) Update from Street-Scene – no update as no representative present.
- b) Update on flooding issues sandbags & sand purchased; stored at Comley Paving & Fencing and at Morgans of Deeside. A letter of thanks for their helpful cooperation to be sent from council. A team of volunteers for filling the bags and their distribution was in hand.
- c) Update on mobile post office for Sandycroft – on list for future availability.

4) DECLARATION OF INTERESTS Cllr. R. Connah re: reimbursement cheque No.102402

5) CO-OPTION RE: THE CASUAL VACANCY FOR QUEENSFERRY WARD

After councillor's deliberation & vote Candidate Mrs. Denise Milner was co-opted for this vacancy. Candidate Mrs. Karen was warmly thanked for her application, advised to be involved with community projects and consider applying for any future council vacancy. (during deliberation & vote, the candidates and members of the public were put into the zoom waiting room) & re-admitted after deliberation and vote had taken place.

6) FINANCIAL ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

Aura – children's play area, Richard Roberts informed of £5,000 set aside for match funding 2021/2022

Summer-Play-scheme Janet Roberts informed that funding has been set aside for 2021

7) INCOME & EXPENDITURE:

INCOME: Nil:

Expenditure

Flintshire CC	Cheq. No 102396 replacements street lights	12,000.00
Flintshire CC	Cheq. No 102397 light maintenance	167.55
C. P. Owens	Cheq. No.102398 Website costs Jan-March 2021	180.00
HMRC (Feb)	Cheq. No. 102399	132.40
Clerks Salary (Feb)	Cheq. No 102400	547.49
reimbursement /Clerk	Cheq. No. 102401 stationery, stamps, zoom mtgs,	
replacement telephone (list of individual costs re: audit purposes		292.95
reimbursement R. E. Connah	Cheq. No. 102402 building sand & bags	<u>487.00</u>
<u>TRANSFER:</u>	£14,000.00	£ 13,807.39

8) e MAILS & CORRESPONDENCE:

e Mails – Pre-circulated.

Correspondence

Two applications received regarding co-option for the casual vacancy – Queensferry Ward.

A letter had been sent to the headteacher of Sandycroft C.P. School, to inform him that Cllr. Mrs P. Connah was willing to remain in service as a school governor, representing a minor authority, and that she had the full backing of council members. Cllr. Mrs. Connah mentioned she also served as a governor of Queensferry C. P. school.

9) PLANNING APPLICATIONS: None to date**Planning ref no.062368**

Proposal: Change of use of land for stationing caravans for residential purposes, together with the formation of hard standing & utility/day room ancillary to that use.

Location: Land at Gladstone Way, Hawarden, Flints. CH5 UBT

(Council agreed that a letter of observation should be sent to the Authority as the location was bordering council's wards). The observations were as follows; drainage issues, increased traffic volume, access problems due to the narrow road way, the location being green belt land.

10) REPORTS FROM Cldr D WISINGER;

a) Cameras for Queensferry – as Queensferry met the crime criteria due to the theft of vehicles & car break ins. Cllr. Wisinger was in negotiation with North Wales Police who was seeking a funding grant, if successful the police would arrange the location of the cameras.

b) Deeside Leisure Centre work would commence during the Summer to dismantle the Nightingale Hospital in order that the leisure centre would reopen in October 2021.

c) Cllr. Wisinger attended a flood issues meeting for the public given by M. Tami M.P & J. Sargeant A. M. Cllr. R. Connah had also had talks regarding the flooding issues. Enquiries were in hand and an update awaited.

d) Sandycroft Play Areas – Cllr. Wisinger was having further talks & meeting with Richard Roberts to discuss the improvements to be made with the match funding scheme; to inspect the safety of the equipment in the children's play area and to ascertain the damage done to the rope swing and repairs required.

11) ISSUES EFFECTING THE WARDS**SANDYCROFT:**

a) A lady resident from Sandycroft who attended the meeting gave an informative synopsis of a project that she wished to start at the village hall attached to the Sandycroft Church. Food bank, drop in centre, school uniform exchange cafe etc.; were mentioned, volunteers to help with the project required.

b) A letter of appreciation would be sent to the resident of Evansleigh Drive who had organised and obtained volunteers for the successful litter picking operation which had recently taken place in Sandycroft.

PENTRE: Parking nuisance continuing in Rectors Lane at the junction turning from Chester Road.

QUEENSFERRY: Inoperative Street light in Pierce Street / now resolved.

12) DATES & TIMES OF NEXT MEETINGS

Financial Meeting: 7pm Tuesday 6 April 2021 (Remote)

Ordinary Meeting: 7pm Tuesday 13 April 2021 (Remote)

This Meeting closed at 8.22pm

Cllr. Mrs S. Wynn asked to be excused 7.22pm

Councillors: Please inform me if you would like any items added to the future Meetings Agendas.

