QUEENSFERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting held

7pm on12 October 2021Venue: main hall of Sandycroft Community Centre.

PRESENT: Cllrs: Mrs P. Connah (Chair) Mrs. C. Jones (Vice Chair)R. Connah, D. Dawson, K. Garret,

Mrs. D. Milner, Mrs. Karen Perry, Mrs. S. Salisbury, D. Wisinger and the Clerk.

IN ATTENDANCE: Paul Edwards -Street Scene

1. APOLOGIES: Cllrs, E. Lomas, T. Williams, Mrs S. Wynn

2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 14 September 2021:

Chair read out the Minutes, which were approved.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Wisinger Seconded by Cllr. K. Garret, the Chair signed these Minutes.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** None at this meeting

4. ISSUES ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Street-Scene -

Uneven pavements/various locations -ongoing

Letter of compliance regarding the foot-way lighting contract, awaited

Pot-holes – work ongoing

Trimming of grass verge in Station Road, Sandycroft/Resolved

Pruning of trees in play- area behind Hamilton Avenue/work ticket issued.

Fly-tipping /cleared but ongoing problem

Street light no7 tilting in Chester Road East/Resolved

Street lights Chester Road and Rectors Lane/Resolved.

Pierce Street -Light inoperative & traffic lights at Pentre needed attention.

New litter bin required to be located at Chester Road by dog bin & junction of Rogers Yard.

Queensferry Roundabout – Hazards -enquiries and investigation would be undertaken regarding the hazards due to traffic lights changing too quickly, and the road markings position.

Dogs on the Sandycroft football pitch – further enquiries and new signs to be installed.

Man holes, drains & gullies – would be investigated, due to the amount of water left on road surfaces, especially in Church View, Pentre.

Other items

Pentre Notice Board refurbishment -in hand at no cost to council.

Relocation of Queensferry Surgery -the Clerk would write to the Practise Manager for an update on the situation.

Match Funding older Children's Play Area: Option 3 was chosen with the variation of basket ball hoops instead of the suggested bench. The Clerk had contacted Aura.

Newsletter: Cclr Mrs P Connah had obtained three quotations for an A4 size 8 page leaflet at a print run of 750 copies. It was agreed that a local social enterprise printers would do the printing & Cclr Mrs P Connah would be writing to local firms regarding their advertising in the Newsletter to defray costs to council. Councillors were requested write a short "blog" about themselves to be included in this newsletter.

Broughton Brook – in need of clearing and cleaning – National Resources Wales contacted.

Overgrown hedge along Station Road, Sandycroft - the landlord of the adjacent public house contacted.

5. FINANCIAL ITEMS:

- a) The External Auditor had sent information to be displayed on the Website & Notice Boards regarding the stage they had reached with all Council Audits. (Delays in completion).
- b)Receipts & Payments-April to September 2021: The Clerk had pre-circulated this Document.
- c) Two Letters received for Financial Aid towards Festive Social Events. Willow Brook Residents Association, & Sandycroft Arts & Crafts Group, each was awarded £200.
- d) Clerks salary increase & hours review/ Resolved. The Clerk was now on scale L25 at £15.37 per hour, this increase would be backdated from April 2021also 2 hours making 12 hours per week would commence in April 2022.
- e) The Risk Assessment was reviewed and adopted.

6. Council approved these transactions

Receipts	Nil		Transfer between Accounts
Payments	Total	£2,133.89	£2,000.00

PAYMENTS

Cheque No	Supplier	Amount	Local Gov. Act
102441	Flintshire C.C. (street light repairs)	395.00	parish council 1957 S3
103442	Growing Places (planter maintenance)	1,000.00	well being
102443	Bagillt Web Design (maintenance)	85.00	1984 s97
102444	Clerks salary September	577.09	1972 S15
102445	HMRC (Sept salary)	77.80	1972 S111

7. e MAILS & CORRESPONDENCE:

Relevant emails pre-circulated

Letter received requesting financial support for their Christmas Activities from

Queensferry C.P. School. A similar letter from Sandycroft C. P. School would also be forthcoming.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Proposal: Outline application for erection of 6 residential dwellings.

Location: The Spinney, Station Road, Sandycroft, Flints.

This application was refused by the Authority, as being on a flood plan

9. REPORT FROM Cclr D WISINGER

Enquiries were progressing from the Enforcement and other necessary Authorities regarding the development of land adjacent to Willow Brook residential complex.

Also enquiries to caravans parked on land at Factory Road, Sandycroft would proceed.

Enquiries being continued with the various authorities concerning the flooding issues and residents would be kept informed of the progress they were making.

Cllr. Wisinger had ordered the two poppy wreathes required for remembrance day. The Chair to lay wreath in Sandycroft, County Councillor & Vice-Chair Mrs. C. Jones in Sealand.

Erection of Lamp Post poppies, council agreed that due to the expensive quotation from Street- Scene to install and dismantle lamp post poppies, after discussion it was agreed that the poppies be distributed between the two schools and the two village halls for display on their gates and railings.

12. ISSUES EFFECTING THE WARDS

Pentre – Cllr. Mrs Milner had been in contact with National Resources Wales regarding the nuisance of seagulls dropping waste from the food factory in local gardens – the situation was under investigation. **Sandycroft** The Clerk would make enquiries as to the time scale for a mobile post office for Sandycroft. Fly-tipping an ongoing problem, especially food product wastage thrown into the Broughton Brook. **Queensferry** – No other issues apart from already reported to Street-Scene.

The meeting concluded at 8.30pm

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