PRESENT: Chair: Councillor Glenys Diskin

Councillors: Ve Amos, Helen Brown, Cheryl Carver, Clive Carver, Alan Diskin, Alison Halford, George Hardcastle, David Hough, Judith Hough, Kevin Jones, Dave Mackie, Helen Meredith, Emma Preece, Ralph Small and Brian Williams.

Officers: Mrs S G Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer
Fran Griffiths, Administrator

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Joyce Angell.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the previous meeting of the Council held on 9th January 2017 be approved as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

The Clerk advised that the presentation by Reverend Brian Harvey on the concept of Dementia cafés had been scheduled for the next meeting.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Meetings of the following Committees held on 9th January 2017 be received:

- Staff & General Purposes Committee
- Lighting Committee
- Playing Fields Committee
- Planning Committee
- Community & Environment Committee
- Finance Committee

Chair’s signature ____________________
CHAIR’S REMARKS:

The Chair advised of the following matters:

- Sadly Kevin Griffiths’ father had passed away suddenly last Monday;
- Three thank you letters had been received from the organisations that had been given Grants from the Community Council stating their appreciation;
- The Chair had attended an interesting Remuneration Panel for Wales meeting in Llandudno, where they had been advised that in the future, Councillors would receive an annual allowance of £150 to cover items such as computers, postage etc. Councillors would automatically receive this allowance unless they chose not to do so, in which case they would have to formally refuse the payment, in writing, and individually;
- Various Members, Governors and County Council Officials had attended a site meeting at Hawarden Village School to discuss the on-going traffic problems being encountered on Cross Tree Lane. It had been agreed to trial a one way system (in one direction) for a period of one month, then to trial another one way system (in the opposite direction) for another month. A month in between the two trials would be left to avoid any confusion for local residents. The trials would commence after the Easter break; and
- The Chair congratulated the Clerk on successfully passing her Introduction to Local Council Administration (ILCA) Exams recently; Councillor George Hardcastle echoed this and also paid tribute to the Clerk particularly as she had not been in post very long and had managed to achieve this at the same time as learning her new role.

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT:

i) the updates be noted;
ii) the Clerk send a condolence card to Kevin Griffiths on behalf of the Council; and
iii) the situation at Cross Tree Lane be noted and kept under review.