

## **HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
**STAFF AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
held on **13<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

**PRESENT:** Chair: Councillor Glenys Diskin

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

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

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

As per Council meeting.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

No declarations of interest were made by Members pertaining to this Committee.

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 be received as a true record.

### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

The Clerk advised that the sign for Ewloe Castle had now been erected and thanks had been expressed to John Griffiths for his involvement.

### **POLICE MATTERS:**

Councillor Emma Preece reported that cars had been parked on both sides of Yowley Road and an uninsured, abandoned garden equipment van had been parked near to the junction.

Councillor George Hardcastle reported that another abandoned vehicle had been parked near old Aston Hill Lane and that there had been ongoing problems in this area with cars from the old scrap yard.

Councillor Helen Brown said that she and Councillor Hardcastle had recently attended a site meeting with Mark Middleton from Flintshire County Council to try to resolve the parking issues.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Clerk writes to Flintshire County Council listing the apparent lack of planning enforcement issues across the community.

## **HIGHWAYS ISSUES:**

John Griffiths had submitted his apologies for this evening as he had been working nights. There were no Highways issues raised.

## **CLERK'S REPORT:**

The Clerk advised Committee of the following matters:

- The Clerk had recently circulated a copy of the District Inspector's newsletter and comments about design, format and content etc were welcomed;
- an email had been received from North Wales Police informing Members that the new temporary Inspector for South Flintshire would be Geraint Richards; and
- There would be a temporary road closure on the 6<sup>th</sup> March at Lower Aston Hall Lane to allow BT to lay a cable.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the updates be noted.

## **COMMUNITY TRANSPORT:**

The Clerk had provided background information regarding the proposal to erect a Community Transport Hub on Holywell Road (not Mold Road), Ewloe. Footway improvements would commence on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February and a three bay shelter with seating, lighting and timetable information would be erected. The hub would be operational from March and had been proposed to improve access to Broughton for residents living in Connah's Quay and Northop Hall.

The Clerk expressed her concerns that the proposal has gone ahead without any consultation with local Members, residents or businesses. Members echoed these concerns and asked the Clerk to invite County Council officers to the next meeting in order to discuss this.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that Jessica Pritchard, Flintshire County Council be invited to attend the next meeting to outline the proposals, demand for the scheme and costs etc.

## **CONSULTATIONS:**

The Clerk had circulated details of a number of consultations with the agenda for the meeting and sought Members comments and contributions. Councillors requested the Clerk to ascertain the cost of the consultation relating to "Changing the name of the National Assembly".

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Clerk make enquires into the cost of the above consultation.

**MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:**

There were none.

**PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business.

**STAFFING MATTER**

IT WAS RESOLVED: to change the hours of the Administrative Assistant as discussed.