

HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the **STAFF AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held on **6 JUNE 2016**

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor Joyce Angell
Vice Chair: Councillor Glenys Diskin

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Community Youth Representatives: -

Officers: R N Barnes, Clerk & Financial Officer

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

There were none.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2016/2017:

Councillors George Hardcastle and Joyce Angell were proposed and seconded. On being put to a vote Councillor Angell was elected Chair of Committee for the Municipal Year 2016/2017.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

No declarations of interest were made by Members.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 11 April 2016 be received as a true record and signed by the Chair.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Household Recycling Centre Survey: Councillors Alison Halford and Clive Carver advised that they were endeavouring to get responses to the Council's concerns.

POLICE MATTERS:

(a) General

The following incidents were reported by Members:-

- Vandalism at Mancot Library of which the Police had been informed

- Theft of 30 hanging baskets and other items from Aston Hall Nurseries
- Stamford Way, Ewloe where there had been difficulty contacting the Police

Councillor Hardcastle that he was pursuing Mark Middleton, Streetscene for a date for the installation of the Vehicle Activated sign on Aston Hall Lane.

Councillor Glenys Diskin confirmed that an individual had been apprehended in connection with the burglary at Sunnyside Stores, Mancot.

Councillor Halford suggested that the appointment of the new Police Commissioner might see response improvements from the Police.

Councillor Brown advised that Neighbourhood Wardens were actively dealing with youth associated anti-social behaviour issues on the Penarlag Estate.

Councillor Dave Mackie gave a brief report on the Police initiative 'Businesses against Crime' which had been successful in Chester and which was to be introduced in North Wales, subject to funding being obtained. Councillor Halford suggested that the Council should support this initiative.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the various matters be noted.

(a) South Flintshire Consultation Meeting – 5 July

IT WAS RESOLVED : that Councillor Joyce Angell would represent the Council at the meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF PART TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

The Committee was advised of the arrangements for the interviews scheduled for 10th June. The Chair of Council, Chair of Committee and incoming Clerk & Financial officer would be conducting the interviews.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that this be noted and that power to appoint be conferred.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT:

Pursuant to the address given to the Committee in March, which was summarised by the Clerk and the subsequent Community Transport Workshops the Council was now invited to indicate whether it wished to be involved in the proposed pilot schemes. Councillor Mackie expressed his opinion that it was essential that the Council should be involved in order to ensure the transport needs of the community were addressed.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to confirm the Council's wish to be involved in the proposed pilot schemes.

**THE FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (B5129 CHESTER Rd, PENTRE, SANDYCROFT)
(RESTRICTED ROAD) ORDER 20__.**

IT WAS RESOLVED: to support the proposed Order to reduce the speed limit to 30 mph.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS – HELPING TO CREATE DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES:

IT WAS RESOLVED: to confirm that the Committee wished to receive an address on this matter, together with other invited local groups at a date to be arranged in September.

CLERK'S REPORT:

The following matters were reported:-

- The Office would be closed 13 to 21 June.
- A Contract of Employment, compliant with NALC and SLCC guidelines had been drawn up for the new Clerk.
- The outgoing and incoming Clerks would work together during the week commencing 27th June.
- Various training courses aimed at new Clerks had been booked on behalf of the incoming Clerk.
- Flowers had been sent to Mrs Susan Jones.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the report be received.

MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS:

Councillor Brian Williams referred to concerns expressed by a local resident in connection with HGV's using the Tinkersdale Rd. It was noted that requests had been made previously to Flintshire County Council to place weight/length limits/warning signs. The Clerk undertook to write again