



Minutes of the Meeting of the  
**STAFF AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
held on **13 JANUARY 2020**

**PRESENT:** Chair: Councillor Darren Sterry

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Officers: As per Council Meeting

**302/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

As per Council meeting.

**303/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

No Declarations of Interest had been made by Members pertaining to this Committee.

**304/19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019 be received as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**305/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

There were none.

**306/19 POLICE MATTERS:**

PCSO Steph Jones had submitted her apologies and provided a confidential incident report for Members' information.

Members referred to a recent spate of motor cycles/trial bikes driving around the area in a dangerous manner, with no lights, and requested that the PCSO be made aware of this.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the incident report and updates.

### **307/19 HIGHWAYS ISSUES:**

John Griffiths, Highway Maintenance Supervisor had attended the meeting and the following matters had been raised for information and attention:

- A speed review of the B5125 had taken place but no proposals to review the speed limit had been agreed. A recent spate of accidents had been due to poor driving practice; however, speed restrictions could assist so John agreed to request that this matter be reviewed further.
- An experimental order for double yellow lines would be put in place at Cross Tree Lane for a period of 18 months in order to assist with the problems experienced. Councillor Lowri-Earith said that the Head Teacher of the school had not been supportive of this proposal and asked if the Safer Routes to School would still be reviewed to which Councillor Bob Connah said it would be similar to that provided at Sandycroft school.
- Pothole on Blackbrook Avenue had re-opened.
- Timing on the traffic lights on The Highway junction at Gladstone Way required review.
- Footpath leading to Vickers Close had recently flooded and required draining.
- Unofficial bus-stop outside St. David's Hotel had been causing a danger to passing motorists and pedestrians.
- Contractors working on the Boars Head site had deposited containers on land for which they might not have obtained permission to use; John agreed to review this.
- Overgrown hedge Leaches Lane/Sunnyside required cutting back.
- White lines at St. David's required re-painting.
- Hedge covering a 'Give Way' sign at the junction with Wood Lane/ The Highway required cutting back.
- The lamp base outside the Co-op had finally been removed.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

### **308/19 CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:**

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised of the following:

- The Maintenance Officer had returned to work on a phased return.
- She had recently attended the Clwyd SLCC Branch Meeting and had been made aware of a website entitled "understanding Welsh Places". This website including lots of data about local communities and could be helpful when preparing a Community Plan. Hawarden Community Council, however, did not appear on the website and she had written to Welsh Government to request inclusion.

- At this meeting a “template” had also been issued for the required Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Action Plan.
- Prior to the meeting, she had circulated copies of correspondence received from the County Council’s Chief Executive and Head of Planning and Enforcement following the Community Council’s complaint about the process. Members agreed to provide a follow up response.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

**309/19 MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:**

There were none.