

# HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
**STAFF AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
held on **14 OCTOBER 2019**

**PRESENT:** Chair: Councillor Darren Sterry

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Officers: As per Council Meeting

**163/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

As per Council meeting.

**164/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

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

**165/19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

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

**166/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

There were none.

**167/19 POLICE MATTERS:**

PCSO Steph Jones had tendered her apologies and submitted a confidential incident report for information.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update.

**168/19 HIGHWAYS ISSUES:**

Members raised the following issues with John Griffiths, Highway Maintenance Supervisor for action:

1. The traffic survey on Cross Tree Lane had been carried out when Ash Lane had been closed which would impact on the results and therefore a further test would be required.
2. Potholes on Greenville Avenue and outside numbers 1 and 28 Carlines Avenue required attention.
3. Overgrown weeds on footpath off Wilton Road, Mancot.
4. Bollard toppled over by the fountain on The Highway/Tinkersdale.

5. Damaged stump and fencing outside the Co-op, Ewloe; there had been some ownership issues with this and it had been determined that the co-op owned the land.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

#### **169/19 CONSULTATIONS:**

North Wales Fire Service and Flintshire County Council had recently issued consultations on the long term environment strategy and waste collection services, respectively. Members had been encouraged to respond to the consultations and encourage members of the public to also have their say.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the consultations for comment.

#### **170/19 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY OF FLINTSHIRE DRAFT PROPOSALS:**

The proposal put forward by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales had not considered the comments of the Community Council and County Council members. County members had reviewed the map and suggested that the ward of Hawarden be split between Aston and Mancot to achieve the correct ratio of electors to Members. The proposal to merge Mancot with Queensferry would be objected to as it crossed over two administrative Community Council areas and would cause confusion for the electorate. A meeting would be held at County Hall to reinstate the original proposal, with some slight changes to the exact split in Hawarden.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update and support the revised proposal for submission.

#### **171/19 CLERK'S AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:**

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised of the following issues:

- Moor Lane would be closed for five days commencing 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019. (Councillor Clive Carver confirmed that Blackbrook Avenue and Wood Lane would also be closed.)
- She had recently attended the County Forum meeting and the National Conference organised by SLCC and would prepare briefing notes for both events.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

#### **172/19 MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:**

Councillor Richard Taylor had circulated a report on Community Engagement following a training event that he had attended. He outlined some proposals to enhance community engagement and promotion of events within the community.

Members confirmed that events held within the Community had been well promoted but agreed that a newsletter, improved website and a review of the Hawarden Community Council Facebook page could be looked into. It was suggested that a Community Sub-Group could be established for this purpose.