

HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the **MEETING** of the **STAFF AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held on **8 FEBRUARY 2016**

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor Joyce Angell
Vice-Chair: Councillor Cheryl Carver

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Community Youth Representatives: As per Council Meeting

Officers: R N Barnes, Clerk & Financial Officer

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

As per the Council meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

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

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were none

POLICE MATTERS:

The Chair welcomed PC Martin Price and PCSO Debra Devereux to the meeting.

The following issues were raised by Members:-

- Youths causing a nuisance around the Mancot Village Hall. Details were supplied to the Officers.
- Possible drug use/dealing in the vicinity of the entrance to the A494 subway by Aston Mead.
- Sheep worrying on land at Magazine Lane, Ewloe
- Activities of MD7
- 'ASBH project' at St David's Park, Ewloe
- Nuisance telephone calls

The officers took note of the issues raised.

With regard to MD7; the Officers advised that the group had “grown up”.

The Officers were unable to give an update on the ASBH project as it was not taking place within the North Flintshire District.

The Officers advised that nuisance telephone calls were not a police matter.

The Chair thanked the Officers for their attendance.

STAFFING MATTER:

Retirement of the Clerk & Financial Officer

The Chair referred Members to the report which set out the arrangements, agreed by the Recruitment Panel at its meeting on 27 January 2016, for the recruitment of a new Clerk & Financial Officer.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that

- (a) the proposed arrangements be noted.
- (b) the Clerk note Members’ preferences in connection with the informal Panels.

HIGHWAY ISSUES:

The Chair welcomed Mr John Griffiths, the Area Street Scene Officer to the meeting.

Mr Griffiths responded to issues raised by Members as follows:-

- The extension of the bollard scheme outside the Post Office was expected to commence during the week commencing 15 February.
- Further jetting of the gullies in the vicinity of Hawarden High School was planned.
- The jetting of gullies on the Ewloe roundabout was in hand.
- The ‘absence of road signing’ off the Asda slip road would be dealt with as part of the ongoing improvement scheme.
- The poor condition of the fencing from the bottom of Lower Aston Hall Lane to the A494 flyover had been referred to the North Wales Trunk Road Agency.

Mr Griffiths was thanked for his team’s assistance with the provision of bollards along the Fieldside grass verges and the flooding problems in Mancot Lane.

The Chair thanked Mr Griffiths for his attendance.

JOINT SERVICES COMMITTEE:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2016 be received.

CLERK'S REPORT:

The Clerk advised that he had no items to report.

MANCOT POST OFFICE CLOSURE:

IT WAS RESOLVED:

- (a) To note receipt of the letter received from the Post Office advising of the closure of the Mancot Post Office.
- (b) To advise the Post Office of the inaccuracies in its letter concerning the bus route from Mancot to Hawarden and the access into the Hawarden Post Office.

MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS:

Councillor Ralph Small again raised the issue of the need for a hard standing at the bus stop near the junction of Hawarden Way and Mancot Way, Mancot.