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9th February 2022

To: ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the HYBRID MEETING of the HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL to be held on MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022 at 6.30 P.M. The remote access meeting link will be sent out on the afternoon of Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2022. (*The Local Government Elections (Wales) Act 2021)* 

The agenda and papers are attached.

Members of the public are welcome to attend and observe the meeting. Please contact the Clerk and Financial Officer on **07931 231770** direct if you require log-in details for the meeting, or if you have any problems logging in.

No recording, broadcasting or photographs may be taken of the council meeting without the prior approval of the Community Council.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sharron G Jones
Clerk & Financial Officer MRS SHARRON G JONES
Clerc a Swyddog Cyllidol Clerk & Financial Officer

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#### HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

#### HYBRID MEETING

14TH FEBRUARY 2022

AGENDA

6.30 p.m.

## **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

To receive any declarations of interests from Members.

## 3. FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL HIGHWAY OFFICIALS:

Sue Thomas, Ian Bushell and John Griffiths, Flintshire County Council, will be present at the meeting to understand member concerns about the Ewloe roundabout, surrounding junctions, further permitted developments and the impact on this already over burden road network.

## 4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

To receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022, copy attached.

## 5. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

## 6. SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022:

To receive and approve the minutes of the Special meeting of the Council held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022, copy attached.

## 7. JOINT SERVICES COMMITTEE:

To receive and note the minutes of the Joint Services Committee held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

## 8. INTERIM INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT:

To receive a copy of the Interim Internal Audit Report 2021-22 and consider an action plan if required.

## 9. HYNET NORTH WEST:

To consider the attached correspondence: (it is anticipated that representatives from HyNet will be in attendance)

- (i) the statutory consultation on the Carbon Dioxide Pipeline under section 42 of the Planning Act 2008; copies of A3 maps will be available in the Council Chamber and copies of HyNet brochure will be emailed to members; the deadline for responses is 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022; and
- (ii) to consider the Confirmation of Land Interest Information form; copy to be emailed to members separately due to any potential legal or data protection implications.

#### 10. SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT:

Members will be aware that the Community Council had agreed to pilot the draft 'self-assessment toolkit' developed jointly by Welsh Government, One Voice Wales and the Society of Local Community Clerks. This will not be a statutory requirement but is considered a good practice guide that will be implemented following the local council elections in May 2022.

A working group of members and the Clerk and Financial Officer met on the 19<sup>th</sup> January and reviewed the section of the document entitled "Vision, purpose and community planning". A copy of the relevant sections of Part 1 and Part 2 of the Toolkit are attached, together with the working group response; members are asked to approve the response.

# 11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021, CONSULTATION 2022:

Members are asked to review the attached draft consultation response prepared by the Clerk and Financial Officer and agree the response or amend accordingly.

## 12. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:

## STAFFING AND GENERAL PURPOSES:

#### 13. POLICE MATTERS:

- a. Please see attached email from Inspector Stephen Roberts about his proposal for Community Alert, Action Liaison Meeting and the consideration of one member delegated to represent the council on the bi-monthly meeting. This nominated member can be alternated.
- Members are asked to view the statistical reports on https://www.police.uk
   Click on "your area" and search for Aston, Ewloe, Hawarden and Mancot respectively for the latest crime statistics.

## 14. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

John Griffiths, Senior Highways Officer will be in attendance at the meeting for members to raise any ward issues.

#### 15. MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:

To consider any relevant information items from Members.

## 16. STAFF RETIREMENTS:

To provide members with a recruitment timetable following the announcement of two members of the Maintenance Team to retire.

## STREET LIGHTING:

#### 17. SCOTTISH POWER INCREASE IN ENERGY PRICES:

All three councils in the Joint Maintenance agreement have a collective street lighting supply of circa 1,100 columns. Power is currently supplied by Scottish Power via an unmetered supply.

A letter has recently been received from Scottish Power to say that the daily standing charge of £0.12p will continue but that the cost per kilowatt will be increasing from 13p to 47p from the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022; an increase of 291%.

Council is asked to consider this matter which will have a detrimental effect on the council's planned budget and grant authorisation to the Clerk and Financial to seek an alternative supplier.

#### 18. LIGHTING FAULTS:

To consider any lighting faults within member wards.

## **PLANNING:**

#### 19. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS:

County Council Members:

(i) To formally note that the participation of those Councillors who are also members of the County Council, in both the debate and subsequent vote, is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information presently made available to the Community Council. The County Councillors reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all relevant arguments for and against.

(ii) To consider the planning applications received to date for the month of February (table attached).

Members are asked to view the applications on-line prior to the meeting via <a href="http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Planning/Home.aspx">http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Planning/Home.aspx</a>

- (iii) To note the planning any appeals.
- (iv)To note the planning decisions for February as attached.

## **COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT:**

#### 20. H.M THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:

- a. Commemorative coins: a neighbouring authority has purchased commemorative coins for all school pupils to commemorate this momentous occasion. Information will be shared at the meeting for the Council to consider this proposal.
- b. H.M. The Queens Trees: Tree Canopy: Members have already agreed to plant seven trees in each of the council's newly formed three wards (post May 2022); members are asked to nominate locations within each ward for this planting. Seven trees are to commemorate each decade of H.M. The Queen's reign.
- c. **Promotion of Big Jubilee Lunch**: Members are encouraged to share the attached information with local communities to celebrate the Jubilee Lunch; more information is available via the following link: <a href="https://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/the-big-jubilee-lunch">https://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/the-big-jubilee-lunch</a>

## 21. NEW FOOTBALL GOALS AT GLADSTONE PLAYING FIELDS:

The football goals on two of the pitches at Gladstone Playing fields require replacement. They have not been replaced for thirty-eight years when they were made from old heavy pipelines and constructed by the council's workforce. The new goals are more durable in relation to anti-social behaviour, light weight and modern. The cost is anticipated to be in the region of £2,000 for four goals. Three quotes will be sourced. The council is requested to consider this proposal.

## **FINANCE:**

#### 22. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

To approve the attached list of accounts for payment for February 2022.

#### 23. NEW VAN PURCHASE AND EXTENDED WARRANTY:

The council will note from the minutes of the previous meeting and the special meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January that a new van has been purchased for the maintenance team. At the Special Meeting of the Council members requested that costings be considered for an extended warranty on the new van. The van comes with three months' warranty.

An extended three-month warranty is available at a cost of £499.00 and a twelve-month warranty is available at a cost of £799.00.

## 24. CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

To receive a verbal report on the Council's contribution to the Joint Maintenance Committee for the month of February 2022.

## 25. BANK RECONCILIATION:

To receive the bank reconciliation statements for the periods ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, attached and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022, to follow.

## 26. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960:

The following item is considered to contain confidential contractual information and the council is asked to consider the exclusion of the public and press.

## 27. NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE AT EWLOE:

To receive a verbal update report on progress if any.