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2nd June 2025

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 09th June 2025** at **6.30 P.M AT THE SCOUT H.Q., GLADSTONE PLAYING FIELDS, THE HIGHWAY, HAWARDEN, CH5 3DN.** The remote access meeting link will be sent out on Monday afternoon on request.

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.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sharron G Jones
Clerk & Financial Officer



HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

HYBRID MEETING

09th June 2025

A G E N D A

6.30 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING:

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

To receive any declarations of interests from Members.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

To receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the council held on 12th May 2025, copy attached.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

5. VACANCIES IN HAWARDEN – MANCOT WARD:

To receive an update from the Clerk and Financial Officer.

6. INTERNAL AUDIT 2024-25:

To receive the Internal Auditor's report for the financial year ending 31st March 2025, copy to follow.

7. ANNUAL RETURN 2024-25:

To consider and approve the council's Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2025, copy to follow.

8. ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025:

To consider and approve the Council's Annual Report for the Municipal Year May 2024 to May 2025, copy attached.

9. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:

STAFFING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE:

10. COMMUNITY REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE:

Members will recall that in October 2023 Flintshire County Council had contacted the Community Council about a Community Review. This review was delayed because of the number of elections that took place in 2024 so the Elections Manager has recirculated the questionnaire in case the council wished to update it. The Community Council previously submitted a NIL response. A copy of the blank questionnaire is attached for Members' information.

Additional comments are requested, specifically, around the external boundary of the Council area. Are there any new housing developments that might be split between town/community council areas?

Comments are required by 10th June, 2025.

11. POLICE MATTERS:

To consider any matters of concern.

12. HIGHWAYS/STREETSCENE MATTERS:

To consider any matters of concern for reporting to John Griffiths, Senior Highways Officer, Flintshire County Council.

13. LIGHTING FAULTS:

To raise any lighting issues.

14. MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:

To consider any relevant information items from Members.

PLANNING COMMITTEE:

15. 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 June.

Members are asked to view the applications on-line prior to the meeting via

<http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Planning/Home.aspx>

(iii) To note any planning appeals.

(iv) To note the attached planning decisions for June.

COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

16. NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE AT EWLOE:

To receive a verbal update from the Chairman of the Delivery Team.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

To approve the attached list of payments for June 2025.

18. BANK RECONCILIATION:

To receive the bank reconciliation statement for the period ending 31st May 2025, copy attached.

19. 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 June.

20. GRANT APPLICATIONS:

To consider whether to offer grant assistance to community organisations on an "as and when" submitted basis rather than in November and March of each year. This is because some community organisations apply for grant funding from the Community Council to align with other grant funding bodies and, due to timescales, might miss out on an opportunity for additional funding?

Members are asked to consider this change in policy and, if agreed, to amend the existing Grant Scheme policy.

21. FINANCIAL POLICIES:

To review and agree the attached policies:

- i) Policy on income
- ii) Annual Investment Strategy
- iii) Financial Risk Assessment
- iv) Internal Financial Controls
- v) Reserves Policy