

Minutes of the Meeting of
HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on
8 APRIL 2019

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor Dave Mackie

Councillors: Ve Amos, Joyce Angell, Janet Axworthy Helen Brown, Clive Carver, Cheryl Carver, Bob Connah, Lowri Earith, Ryan O’Gorman, Kevin Jones, Dan Preece, Emma Preece, Ralph Small, Darren Sterry and Ant Turton

Officers: Mrs S G Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer

Also present: Stuart Lawrence, Vice Chair, Hawarden Rangers
Lynn Owen, Hawarden Rangers
Approximately 40 members of the public

430/18 CHAIR’S ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and said that he was delighted to see so many members of the public in attendance. He went on to advise that he had received a resignation from Councillor Wendy Mallin, due to ill health reasons, with immediate effect.

The Council had received a petition from a number of residents “calling for the denial, or rescindment of approval in principle, for the proposal of the construction of a 100 seater football stand and any accompanying building works on the Gladstone Playing Fields”. Councillor Clive Carver presented the Council with a further petition regarding same.

Lyn Owen, Hawarden Rangers, presented the Council with a petition “in favour of the HRFC proposed pitch widening and stand”.

431/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Gillian Brockley, George Hardcastle, Helen Meredith and Wendy Mallin.

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432/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

The Chairman outlined the different categories of interest that must be declared. Councillor Clive Carver referred to advice that he had received from the County Council's Monitoring Officer about the definition for personal, and personal and prejudicial interests, to which the Chairman also referred to an extract of an email from the deputy monitoring officer.

Councillor Ant Turton apologised to the Council for his error in not declaring a personal interest at the previous meeting and advised that he had retrospectively signed the appropriate forms and apologised formally to the Council for this error.

Councillors Ant Turton and Ralph Small declared an interest in the following item of business and duly completed their Declaration of Interest forms. The Clerk and Financial Officer also declared a personal interest.

433/18 NOTICE OF MOTION (ATTACHED)

Councillors Helen Brown, Lowri Earith, Ralph Small and Ve Amos, in accordance with Standing Order Number 43, had requested the Council to rescind the decision taken at its meeting on the 11th March 2019, Minute Number 384/18 refers: "to not support the proposal to widen the pitch". A copy of the Notion of Motion had been circulated with the agenda for the meeting.

In accordance with Standing Order number 47, Councillor Clive Carver requested that a recorded vote be taken. The vote was recorded as follows:

COUNCILLOR	DECISION
Councillor Ve Amos	FOR
Councillor Joyce Angell	AGAINST
Councillor Janet Axworthy	AGAINST
Councillor Helen Brown	FOR
Councillor Cheryl Carver	AGAINST
Councillor Clive Carver	AGAINST
Councillor Bob Connah	AGAINST
Councillor Lowri Earith	FOR
Councillor Kevin Jones	FOR
Councillor Dave Mackie	FOR
Councillor Ryan O'Gorman	FOR
Councillor Dan Preece	FOR
Councillor Emma Preece	FOR
Councillor Ralph Small	FOR
Councillor Darren Sterry	FOR
Councillor Ant Turton	FOR

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IT WAS RESOLVED: to rescind the decision taken at the meeting on the 11th March 2019.

434/18 REQUEST FROM HAWARDEN RANGERS FC TO WIDEN THE FOOTBALL PITCH:

The Chairman said that this request had originated from a rule change from the Football Association of Wales. Councillor Emma Preece proposed that a decision on this item be deferred pending public consultation, which was duly seconded by Councillor Joyce Angell.

In accordance with Standing Order number 47, Councillor Helen Brown requested that a recorded vote be taken. The vote was recorded as follows:

COUNCILLOR	DECISION
Councillor Ve Amos	FOR
Councillor Joyce Angell	FOR
Councillor Janet Axworthy	FOR
Councillor Helen Brown	AGAINST
Councillor Cheryl Carver	FOR
Councillor Clive Carver	FOR
Councillor Bob Connah	FOR
Councillor Lowri Earith	AGAINST
Councillor Kevin Jones	FOR
Councillor Dave Mackie	AGAINST
Councillor Ryan O’Gorman	AGAINST
Councillor Dan Preece	FOR
Councillor Emma Preece	FOR
Councillor Ralph Small	AGAINST
Councillor Darren Sterry	AGAINST
Councillor Ant Turton	AGAINST

IT WAS RESOLVED: to undertake a public consultation exercise to consider the proposal to widen the adult football pitch.

435/18 PROPOSAL TO ERECT A COVERED SEATING AREA AT FOOTBALL PITCH:

This item had been included on the agenda at the request of Councillor Clive Carver but had not been for discussion as legal advice had been sought.

Councillor Carver asked how long would it take to receive the legal advice to which the Clerk and Financial Officer responded that it would probably be a couple of months.

118 Chair’s signature: _____

436/18 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Council held on 11th March 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

437/18 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were no matters arising.

438/18 MINUTES OF COMMITTEES:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meetings of the following Committees held on 11th March 2019 be received:

Staff and General Purposes Committee
Community Amenities Committee
Planning Committee
Finance Committee

439/18 ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19:

The Chairman said that he had been really grateful to the Clerk and Financial Officer for preparing this excellent report, the first of its kind and it had been an interesting read.

The Clerk and Financial Officer sought Member contributions to the relevant sections of the report in relation to community groups and events etc.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to receive the annual report and to provide Member contributions directly to the Clerk and Financial prior to formal approval at the Council's Annual General Meeting on 13th May, 2019.

440/18 CHAIR'S REMARKS:

The Chairman said that he had recently attended the declaration ceremony for the High Sheriff of Clwyd, Mrs Stephanie Catherall which had been an interesting and thoroughly enjoyable event.

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