

HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the
STAFF AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
held on
8TH APRIL 2019

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor David Mackie

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Officers: As per Council Meeting

441/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

As per Council meeting with the addition of Councillor Helen Brown.

442/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest pertaining to this committee.

443/18 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.

444/18 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

In relation to minute number 401/18 the Clerk and Financial Officer had written to Flintshire County Council, on behalf of the Council, to request 20 mph mandatory speed signs at local schools.

445/18 POLICE MATTERS:

PCSO Stephanie Jones had attended the meeting to advise Members of recent activity and requested members to let her know directly of any incidents. Members raised a number of queries to which Steph responded accordingly.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

446/18 HIGHWAYS ISSUES:

John Griffiths, Area Co-ordinator, Flintshire County Council had been welcomed to the meeting and responded to a number of concerns about pot holes, resurfacing, footpath and street lighting.

Councillor Janet Axworthy asked John about the various amount of street furniture and lighting column stumps etc., that seemed to have been left along the highway/footpaths and asked if these could be removed. John said that he would review them if Members could email him direct about the various locations.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

447/18 AUDIT ARRANGEMENTS:

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the decision of the Wales Audit Office Board not to invite tenders for audits beyond 2020.

448/18 CONSULTATION: CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS TO AMEND THE PUBLIC AUDIT (WALES) ACT 2013:

The Chairman outlined that this item had been a call for evidence from the Finance Committee at the Welsh Assembly and that it had been a very confusing read. He suggested it might be helpful if an 'easy to read' summary had been provided.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the consultation.

449/18 CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised that the Council's Electrician and Senior Maintenance Officer, Kevin Griffiths, had recently passed his Level 3, City and Guilds Electrical Rewiring exam. Members of the Council commended Kevin and asked that a congratulatory letter be issued.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update and write to Mr Griffiths.

450/18 COMMUNITY YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Sam Bidwell had been unable to attend the meeting due to his educational commitments.

451/18 MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:

There were none.