

HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

HYBRID MEETING

13th February 2023

DECISIONS

- **PRESENT:** Chair: Councillor Janet Axworthy Joyce Angell, Helen Brown, Billy Cooper, Martin Davey, Lesley Evans, Dave Mackie, Doreen Mackie, Emma Preece, Dale Selvester, Hayley Selvester, Darren Sterry, Sam Swash, Linda Thomas and Ant Turton
- Officers: Mrs Sharron Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer Mrs Fran Griffiths, Administrative Officer
- Also present: 5 members of the public

COUNCIL MEETING:

1. PRESENTATION AND Q&A ABOUT THE HYNET PROJECT:

Presentation received from representatives at Hynet; Hynet taken away some actions on behalf of the community council.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Received from Councillors Brockley, Redfern, Ralph Small and Raphaelle Soffe.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillors Brown, Cooper, Sterry and Turton declared an interest in item 21 and completed their respective Declarations of Interest forms.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Approved with the exception that Councillor Doreen Mackie is the Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee at Shotton Town Council and not the Chairman.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

None.

6. JOINT SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Received.

7. INTERIM INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT:

Received and noted; action plan agreed.

8. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:

The Chairman apprised members of recent events attended.

STAFFING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE:

9. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR THE COUNCIL'S MAINTENANCE TEAM:

Report approved; to continue with the current arrangements.

10. PUBLIC COMMEMORATION IN WALES: GUIDANCE FOR PUBLIC BODIES:

Consultation response "to agree with the guidance".

11. TECHNICAL ADVICE NOTE (TAN) 15 DEVELOPMENT, FLOODING AND COASTAL EROSION FURTHER AMENDMENTS:

Council response was to not approve the section that said "to allow an increased element of flexibility".

12. STANDARDS COMMITTEE:

Contents of letter and email were noted.

13. POLICE MATTERS:

A number of issues were reported.

14. HIGHWAYS/STREETSCENE MATTERS:

A number of issues were reported.

15. LIGHTING FAULTS:

There were none.

16. MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:

A number of information items were shared.

PLANNING COMMITTEE:

17. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS:

Planning applications approved or otherwise. Decision noted. No appeals.

COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

18. THE QUEEN'S GREEN CANOPY (QGC):

Agreed to plant 7 trees in a "community space" following suggestions via social media.

19. TREE MANAGEMENT:

The council approved the quotes and confirmed that the council will continue to accept the advice of the County Council's Aboriculturalist.

20. NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE AT EWLOE:

The Ewloe Community Centre Task and Finish Group (*Ewloe members and the Chairman of the Council*) to meet to discuss the development of a new Community Centre and to design "the product" in order to be able to progress with this scheme and obtain grant funding.

The Task and Finish Group will have no delegated authority but will need to meet on a monthly basis to progress this matter.

21. PERMISSION TO USE THE GLADSTONE PLAYING FIELDS FOR THE ANNUAL HAWARDEN CARNIVAL:

Authorised.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

22. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Approved.

23. CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

- (i) The Council's contribution to the Joint Maintenance Committee for the month of February was £15,384.25.
- (ii) Approved the setting up a Direct Debit of £46.20 per month for the maintenance of the Council's newly updated CCTV cameras from I Data. (maximum £50.)
- (iii) Agreed to the virement of Councillor Sam Swash's Mandatory Member Allowance to the Willow Park Residents Association.
- (iv) Approval of the annual sponsorship of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award at £350.

23. BANK RECONCILIATIONS:

The bank reconciliation for the period ending 31st December was approved and period ending 31st January to follow.