



CYNGOR CYMUNED HELYGAIN / HALKYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Halkyn Community Council,
Held in the Halkyn Parish Hall,
On Monday the 19th February, 2018, at 7.30pm.**

**1(A). 22/18
PRESENT**

Councillor B. Glyn Coleclough (Chair)
Councillor Mrs. Nicola Richardson (Vice Chair)
Councillor Brian Coleclough
Councillor Miss. Jean S. Davies (Community & County)
Councillor L. Howard Morris
Councillor David G. Roberts
Councillor Dylan Roberts
Councillor G. T. Robinson
Councillor Mrs. J. Wendy Sigsworth
Councillor Mrs. Delyth Taylor
Councillor John Thomas

Councillor Colin Legg (Flintshire County)

Clerk & Financial Officer R. Phillip Parry

**1(B). 23/18
APOLOGIES**

Councillor Colin Barker
Councillor David A. Hughes

**1(C). 24/18
Standing Orders were suspended:**

The Chairman Councillor Glyn Coleclough, welcomed Mr. Derek Hayes to the meeting.

Mr. Hayes thanked the Members for the opportunity to address the meeting and advised that he was attending in his capacity as a First Responder for the Welsh Ambulance Services (WAS). Mr Hayes referred to the public meeting called in relation to setting up a First Responder scheme, together with the Council's plans to install a defibrillator in Halkyn Village. Mr. Hayes explained that whilst he resided near to the Village Hall, he was in possession of his own defibrillator, which had been provided by the WAS, whilst his uniform had been purchased personally. There was a further First Responder who resided in the area of Halkyn Village Green, who did not have their own defibrillator, together with a further trained responder in Rhosesmor. With only one defibrillator

between three responders, only one responder could be on duty at the same time. Mr. Hayes advised further, in relation to the cost a WAS preferred defibrillator – at approximately £1,000.00.

The Clerk recollected to the Members that they had previously agreed to fund a defibrillator and outdoor housing box, with a project coordinated by the local Rotary Club – which unfortunately did not materialise.

Councillor Mrs. Wendy Sigsworth advised, that she had been contacted by the Grosvenor Estate, who had advised, that the Estate were willing to provide £500.00, towards the cost of a defibrillator.

Members provisionally agreed the following: (1) The purchase of a defibrillator and housing box to be installed in the area of Halkyn Parish Hall (2) The Clerk to contact Welsh Ambulance Service, seeking further information, together with cost of their preferred defibrillator (3) The Clerk to contact Grosvenor Estate and enquire in relation to their offer of financial assistance (4) The Clerk to arrange to meet with the Halkyn Parish Hall Caretaker, to discuss the possible siting of a defibrillator. (See Minute number: 10. 38/18 on page 6 below).

The Chairman Councillor Glyn Coleclough, thanked Mr. Hayes for attending and advised that the Clerk will provide him with an update in due course.

1(D). 25/18

Standing Orders were restored:

2. 26/18

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest Declared

3. 27/18

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 19TH FEBRUARY, 2018

The Minutes were proposed as correct by Councillor Mrs. Delyth Taylor and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Nicola Richardson and formally agreed by the Members present.

4. 28/18

MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk referred to the following matters from the previous Minutes:

Minute no: 4(A). 05/18 sub minute no's: 4. 207.17 & 4.183/17 (page 2) in relation to the installation of a bus shelter in The Windmill. The Clerk advised, that the Flintshire County Council maintenance teams were unable to complete installation of the bus shelter presently – due to pot hole repairs and other highway maintenance. Councillors' Glyn Coleclough and Howard Morris offered to assist with the installation.

Members agreed the following: The Clerk to further contact OAQ in St. Asaph, to make arrangements for the delivery of the bus shelter, at a date and time agreed with Councillors' Coleclough and Morris.

Minute no: 4(A). 05/18 sub minute no's: 4. 207.17 & 11.91/17 (page 2) in relation to the installation of goal posts in Rhes Y Cae. The Clerk advised, that following questions received from Natural Resources Wales, in relation to the installation process, the information had been requested

from Flintshire County Council. The Clerk was still awaiting the information and advised he would contact the department further.

Minute no: 4(A). 05/18 sub minute no: 9(H). 218/17 (page 3) in relation to a project with other Councils, to replace the Community Council's street lighting to an LED energy efficient system. The Clerk advised, that a further meeting had taken place between Electrical Company and the two other Councils. A formal quotation will be available for the March Council meeting. The item will be placed on the March Agenda.

Minute no: 4(B). 06/18 (page 3) in relation to **(1)** The Clerk to formally request Flintshire County Council, that the gate to the Rhosesmor play area – adjacent to the B5123, is permanently locked **(2)** The Clerk to request Flintshire County Council, that a similar access gate (as Rhydymwyn play area) is installed in the Northop Road entrance to the play area **(3)** To advise the County Council, that the Community Council, are amicable to providing some financial assistance towards a new gate.

The Clerk advised the Members as follows: **(1)** Flintshire County Council have been advised in relation to the Council's decision, that the gate to the play area adjacent to the B5123 road to be permanently closed **(2 and 3)**: the Clerk advised that a quotation had been received from Flintshire County Council, for the installation of a new gate, which included infill fence panel. The purchase cost of a new gate and removal of existing gate - £850.00, together with a cost of £750.00, for the supply and installation of an infill fence panel along the B5123. Members were made aware that contractors have recently been installing new fence panels along the B5123 road adjacent to the play area, and enquired as to why the Community Council were expected to contribute to the cost.

Members agreed the following: the Clerk to contact further the Play Officer, at Flintshire County Council, to enquire as to why the Community Council are being asked to pay for the infill panel, when contractors are presently renewing fence panels on the perimeter of the play area.

Minute no: 5(A). 07/18 (2) (pages 3 and 4) in relation to Flintshire County Council's match funding for the Pentre Halkyn and Rhosesmor and Pentre Halkyn Children's play areas. The Clerk advised the Members, that drawings and quotations had been received from Flintshire County Council, in relation to the proposed new play equipment in the Pentre Halkyn and Rhosesmor Children's play areas. Using the audio visual equipment the Members viewed the proposals – which included a number of toddler play items. The cost of the Pentre Halkyn play area play equipment £7,229.00 and Rhosesmor play area £9,599.69 (both costs plus VAT). The Clerk advised that the budget for the cost of the play area equipment had been previous agreed, with a contribution of £5,000.00, from Flintshire County Council.

Members agreed the following: Accepted the proposals for Pentre Halkyn and Rhosesmor play areas.

5(A). 29/18

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence had been received, that was required to be either advised to, or dealt with by the Members:

- (1)** Flintshire County Council – in relation to the Lease of Pentre Halkyn Playing Field – which is presently held between Flintshire County Council and Halkyn Community Council. The Clerk advised, that the County Council had received a 'Community Based Interest' in seeking a transfer of the above lease. The County Council were seeking the views to the Community Council, to relinquishing the lease.

Members agreed the following: Agreed to surrender the above referred to lease. The Clerk to formally write to the County Council to advise.

- (2) Flintshire County Council – notification in relation to Public Footpath Diversion Order – Public Footpaths numbers: 32 and 36, in the Community of Halkyn. Town & Country planning Act 1990 – Section 257. (Footpaths are in the area of the Pant Y Pwll Dwr Quarry, Pentre Halkyn).
- (3) Welsh Government – notification in relation to a ‘Memorandum of Understanding’ for Burial Authorities in Wales – Re: Burial and Cremation fees for children under the age of 18 years.
- (4) North Wales Police – reported offences in the Halkyn Community Council area:
 - (1) Criminal Damage – B5123 (by the masts) – people on quadbikes cut open the fence to the masts and were digging
 - (2) Damage only RTC – fail to stop RTC wasn’t reported to police at time but follow up enquiries located offending vehicle
 - (3) Suspicious circumstances – male knocking on doors telling residents he is deaf and asking for money – Officers have attended to this male in various locations and moved him on
 - (4) Dangerous Dogs – Tyddyn Uchaf Farm, Moel y Crio, Halkyn - worrying sheep, rural crime team are dealing
 - (5) RTC – Rhosesmor Road, Halkyn – lorry suspected to have driven into wall – investigation ongoing.

Councillor Mrs. Delyth Taylor advised, in relation to a theft of oil from a residential property in Rhosesmor.

Councillor G. T. Robinson, expressed his concerns with traffic speed in the area of Ysgol Rhos Helyg and that it was promised by the previous PCSO, that speed checks would be carried out. Councillor Mrs. Wendy Sigsworth advised, that there had been recent checks during the morning period near to the school.

- (5) Airbus Operations – Hawarden Aerodrome. Consultation in relation to the introduction of a new global navigation satellite system.
- (6) Holywell Town Council – Notification of re-scheduled meeting to be held on Tuesday 27th February, at 6.00pm in the Council Offices Holywell.
- (7) Notification in relation to Flintshire County Forum – to be held on Wednesday 28th February, at 6.30pm, in Saltney. The Clerk advised that he would be attending and representing the Council.
- (8) Letter received from One Voice Wales, enquiring if the Council might wish to become a member of their organisation at a full cost of £388.00 with a 50% reduction for the first year. **Members agreed the following:** Not to become a member.
- (9) Independent Review Panel, advising in relation to a number of engagement events. The information had been sent to Councillors prior to the meeting by e-mail.
- (10) Complimentary ticket application form received from Llangollen Eisteddfod. **Members agreed the Chair of Council to receive.**

5(B). 30/18

CLERK’S REPORT

- Minutes received from Halkyn Parish Hall Management Committee – held on Wednesday 24th January, 2018.

6. 31/18

REPRESENTATIVES / LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no representatives reports.

7. 32/18

COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS (COUNCILLOR MISS. JEAN S. DAVIES & COUNCILLOR COLIN LEGG)

Councillor Miss. Jean Davies, advised in relation to the following **(1)** an item of play equipment had been removed from the Pentre Halkyn children's play area - as it was unsafe **(2)** Condition of roads in the area and in particular, pot holes and their repair.

Councillor Colin Legg, referred to the installation of a number of replacement lighting units in Rhes Y Cae - from SOX to LED. Whilst Councillor Legg appreciated that the lights had to be changed, the LED models did not cascade the light as the SOX lighting did. The Clerk explained that this was correct, whereas the SOX lighting units threw light at a wide angle, the LED models throw the light downwards.

8(A). 33/18

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications had been received:

- (a) Application number: 057897, for demolition of existing billiard and utility rooms and erection of extension to rear south west elevation, at Maes Alyn, Rhosesmor

Comment by Council: Providing it complies with relevant planning policies, then no objection to the proposal.

(The above application was sent to the Chairman for consultation with the local Member(s) due to statutory time limits for observations).

8(B). 34/18

The Members agreed with the above decision.

8(C). 35/18

The following planning applications were dealt with by the Members at the meeting:

- (1)** Application number: 057947, for Listed building application, to build a fence to divide the property of Rose Mount, from the property of Rosemount Barn and put in a gate for access, at Rose Mount, Halkyn.

Comment by Council: Providing that the application complies with planning policy, then no objections raised.

- (2)** Application number: 057940, for change of use of former school into two self-catering holiday cottages, at Rhes y Cae VP School.

Comment by Council: Providing that the application complies with planning policy, then no objections raised.

8(D). 36/18

PLANNING DECISIONS

The following planning decisions have been received from Flintshire County Council:

- (a) Application number: 057790, for erection of conservatory, at Windyridge, Moel y Crio. Approved.
- (b) Application number: 057771, for erection of single storey extension and attic conversion, at Terfyn, Wern Y Gaer. Approved.
- (c) Application number: 057937 to fell 2 no Cypresses and 1 cherry tree, at Rose Mount, Halkyn. No objections raised.
- (d) Application number: 057751, for renewal of planning permission Ref: 050282, to allow the erection of 3 no dwellings, at Bryn A, Pentre Halkyn. Approved.
- (e) Application number: 057663, for conversion of garage with extension above garage, at Afon Gonwy Cottage, Halkyn. Approved.

9. 37/18

COMMUNITY LIGHTING

The following lamp had been reported out of order since the last meeting:

- Rhosesmor - B5123 road near entrance to play area.

There were no lamps reported faulty at the meeting.

10. 38/18

TO DISCUSS: PURCHASE OF A COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR (CLLR DAVID HUGHES)

In the absence of Councillor David Hughes, the Clerk advised, that Councillor Hughes had been in contact with Mr. Derek Hayes, in respect of the installation of a defibrillator within the community.

Councillor G. T. Robinson suggested, that following the installation of a defibrillator, the Community Council should inform the residents, by means of an advert in the Halkyn Mountain News, together with possibly a fridge magnet, which could advertise the availability of the equipment.

The Clerk referred to the attendance earlier in the meeting by Mr. Derek Hayes, whereby provisional decisions had been agreed.

Members agreed the following: Confirmed their provisional decisions made under **Minute number: 1(C). 24/18 on pages 1 and 2 above**) – as follows: **(1)** The purchase of a defibrillator and housing box to be installed in the area of Halkyn Parish Hall **(2)** The Clerk to contact Welsh Ambulance Service, seeking further information, together with cost of their preferred defibrillator **(3)** The Clerk to contact Grosvenor Estate and enquire in relation to their offer of financial assistance **(4)** The Clerk to arrange to meet with the Halkyn Parish Hall Caretaker, to discuss the possible siting of a defibrillator **(5)** The following further decision was agreed: The Clerk to contact the WAS to seek information in relation to the advertising of available defibrillators within a Community.

11. 39/18

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Cheque Number	Payee	Net £	Vat £	Total £
516	Scottish Power (January - Street Lighting Electricity Supply)	336.27	67.25	403.52
517	Flintshire County Council (December - Street Lighting Inspection and Maintenance)	245.80		245.80
518	Halkyn Parish Hall Trust (Meeting room hire – Jan / Feb 2018)	20.00		20.00

12. 40/18

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Cheque Number	Name of organisation	Amount granted £
	Halkyn Mountain News	(Application withdrawn)
	Pentre Halkyn Community Centre (application for funding towards new signage)	*See note below
	Halkyn Pensioner’s Christmas Party Committee (application for funding towards 2018 Christmas Dinner)	**See note below
519	Cruse Bereavement Care (Flintshire Branch)	200.00

* Pentre Halkyn Community Centre. Members agreed to assist financially with the purchase / installation of direction signage. The Clerk advised, that he was in the process of arranging further signage at the Halkyn Parish Hall and suggested, that the signage for both premises could be dealt with together. **The Members agreed.**

** Halkyn Pensioner’s Christmas Party Committee. Application adjourned to the March Council meeting – for production of audited accounts.

13. 41/18

The Members agreed the payments of the above accounts and financial support as listed.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.....

DATE OF APPROVAL.....