

ACTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL - REMOTE MEETING NOTES FROM 20 JULY 2021

Councillors Present: B Baldwin, C Bettley, M Davies, S Edwards, R Hardy, P Lloyd, G Lowe, E Owens, K Roberts (Chair), D Wallace.

Also Present: Councillor B Martin, Sgt K Lewis

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Councillors E Doherty, A Evans, S Hope, M Pritchard, T Stanford, L Williams
2. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS:** None
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None
4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:** The Minutes from 16 June 2021 Remote meeting were received and subject to the addition of the words "*apart from Application No.3 that is made under SS1.5 Local Government Act 2000 (General Power of Wellbeing)*" at the end of Minute 30.ii) were confirmed as a correct record.
5. **INFORMATION FROM THE MINUTES:**
 1. **Minute 29 Community Engagement:**
 - a. **Newsletter** – to proceed to publish the 1st Newsletter that has been circulated to all members taking into account any comments received by Tuesday 3 August 2021.
 - b. **Proposed Swan memorial** – To approve a contribution of up to £750.00 to the 2 young Blacksmiths from Acton in recognition of their Achievement. The Memorial once completed to be included in the Environmental renewal scheme proposed at the Little Acton Smithy Garden/Pond area.
 - c. **Bouquet gifts of Flowers:** To be sent to the two part time caretakers at Acton CRC in recognition of their efforts during the Covid pandemic lockdowns at the Resource Centre.
 2. **Minute 30 Financial Assistance:** letters of thanks had been received from the recipients. The Clerk was authorised in consultation with the Chair to proceed to meet with the Welsh Ambulance Service representatives to identify suitable locations to place a defibrillator in each of the four other wards of the Acton Community and to make arrangements for their purchase and installation during 2021/22 Financial Year– the costs of such purchases to be made under the General Power of Well Being;
 3. **Minute 31.3 Additional Community Governor – Barkers Lane School:** This Community Governor Vacancy was filled by the nomination of Councillor Caroline Bettley.
6. **COMMUNITY POLICING MATTERS** – Report and update noted
7. **PROCEDURAL MATTERS:**
 1. **August Recess Arrangements:** The Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Vice chair of the Council was authorised to deal with any urgent matters that arise during the August 2021 recess and report back in September 2021 on any actions and delegated decision taken
 2. **SLA Matters**
 - i) **Annual Inspection reports** - Received and noted
 - i. Aran Road
 - ii. Acton Park Junior
 - iii. Ffordd Llewelyn

- ii) **Aran Road Repairs to Safety Surface** - Agreed to endorse the prompt actions taken by Wrexham CBC and pay the invoice once received for carrying out the emergency repairs

8. KEY ACTON ISSUES: Historical and Recent Flooding in the Acton Community: Clerk to write on behalf of Council to Chief Executive of Wrexham CBC expressing concerns and requesting that prompt and timely action is taken to prevent further occurrences of such flooding

9. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 2020/21 – EXTERNAL AUDIT : Noted update on progress

10. CONSULTATIONS

1. Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance Note “Planning For Dark Night Skies”: Councillors to submit individual responses if so wish

2. Eligible Community Councils (General Power Of Competence) (Qualifications Of Clerks) (Wales) Regulations: To make no comments

11. ITEM PLACED ON AGENDA AT REQUEST OF COUNCILLOR E DOHERTY – PLANTING PROPOSAL:

Agreed that the 2 proposals be endorsed and the Council authorised the Clerk in consultation with the Chair to proceed to liaise with Incredible Edible and make progress. Such expenditure to be met from the Environmental/ Community Streetscene budget.

12. REPORT FROM CLERK

1. Caia Park Community Council - Clwyd Pension Fund: To respond and advise that the Acton Community Councillors do not wish to make such a resolution.

2. One Voice Wales - Remote Training Sessions – information noted

3. One Voice Wales - Introduction to Rachel Carter, Local Places for Nature Officer –update noted.

13. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

1. Payments Received were noted;

2. Replenish of £45,000 for Current Account from Deposit Account was authorised

3. A Schedule of Payments for July 2021 was authorised; and

4. The first quarter bank reconciliation and accounts together with progress against the budget was received and noted

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1.Planning Application P/2021/0593 - Valid From 11/06/2021: 24 Gredington Close, Wrexham, LL13 9DQ - Lawful development certificate for proposed single storey rear extension – No observation to make

2.Planning Application P/2021/0607 - Valid From 17/06/2021: The Goulbourne, Borrass Park Road, Wrexham, LL12 7TF - non-material amendment to planning permission p/2016/1048 to allow for removal of trees - No observations subject to the protected trees on this site being safeguarded

3. Planning Application P/2021/0638 - Valid From 29/06/2021: 226, Chester Road, Wrexham, LL12 8DT - lawful development certificate for proposed side dormer extension – No Observations to make

4. Planning Application P/2021/0652 - Valid From 05/07/2021: Rhosnesni High School, Rhosnesni Lane, Rhosnesni, Wrexham, LL13 9ET - erection of floodlights – No Observations to make

5. Planning Application P/2021/0680 - Dilys o/Valid From 07/07/2021: Nine Acre Playing Field, Westminster Drive, Wrexham, LL12 7AT - outline application for primary school (appearance,

landscaping and scale reserved) - Agreed to reiterate those objections made at the pre-planning stage and add further concerns about Flooding and detrimental impact on the surrounding Highway as a result of proposed two new access roads

A separate letter also to be sent to the Chief Executive of Wrexham County Borough Council requesting that the 9 Acre field and site should continue to be maintained and not allowed to become unkempt and fall into disarray given that it is located on one of the main approaches into the Town Centre.

6. Planning Application P/2021/0637 - Dilys o/Valid From 09/07/2021: 79 Jeffreys Road Service Road, Borrass, Wrexham, LL12 7PE - single storey rear extension – No observations to make

15. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC - It was agreed to exclude members of the press and public during consideration of the remaining agenda items because of the exempt and confidential nature of the business to be transacted

16. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FROM THE MINUTES 15 June 2021 :

1. Minute 23 ii) .4 - Job Evaluation Exercise; and
2. Minute 24.2 - Potential Breach of the Acton Community Council's Code of Conduct:

These two matters were determined in private

17. VILLAGE GREEN APPLICATION – Update noted

18. SLA ACTON COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE –Review and examination of options for the Community Council to continue funding the Resource Centre from March 2023 onwards when the current ten year Service Level Agreement ends

This matter was determined in private

End of remote meeting notes.