

ACTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL - REMOTE MEETING NOTES FROM 15 FEBRUARY 2022

Councillors Present: B Baldwin, C Bettley, M Davies, E Doherty, S Edwards, A Evans, S Hope, R Hardy, G Lowe, B Martin, M Pritchard, K Roberts (Chair), T Stanford, D Wallice.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Councillors P Lloyd and E Owens.
- 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:** None.
- 3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS:** None
- 4. VARIATION OF AGENDA :**
DECISION: To bring forward Agenda item 6 so as not to unnecessarily delay the PCSO in attendance from his Operational duties
- 5. COMMUNITY AND OTHER POLICING MATTERS:**
DECISION the Monthly Policing and Operations report be received and noted
DECISION: to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of a confidential Policing operational matter
DECISION: This Policing Operational matter was determined in private
- 6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**
 - i) REMOTE COUNCIL MEETING** 14 December 2021
DECISION: Minutes were received and confirmed as a correct record. .
 - ii) REMOTE YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING** 25 January 2022
DECISION: Minutes were received and recommendation was endorsed
DECISION: to exclude the press and public for consideration of the confidential Staffing Committee minutes
 - iii) REMOTE STAFFING COMMITTEE MEETING** 3 February 2022
DECISION: This matter was determined in private
- 7. INFORMATION FROM THE MINUTES:**
 - 1. Minute 114.1 Community Defibrillators for Acton Community Wards**
DECISIONS:
 - i)** to endorse the action taken by the Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair to use delegated powers to authorise Mike Pryde Electrical Services Ltd to install the Defibrillators at the Maesydre Power House and Little Acton Community Centre at a cost of £180.00
 - ii)** the Council to employ the Services of Mike Pryde Electrical Services Ltd to install the two remaining Defibrillators
 - iii)** To note progress is still to be made for the installation of a Defibrillator at the Cunliffe Arms and no response has been received from Borrass Park Vets
 - iv)** To bring forward an item from the Clerk's Correspondence Report and consider the request from Barkers Lane School for advice and assistance towards the replacement of its obsolete Defibrillator, Agreed to advise the School that the Community Council is prepared to locate its fourth Defibrillator within the Borrass Park ward on the perimeter of the School subject to there being 24/7 public access to the equipment and a suitable electricity supply;
 - 2. Minute 117.ii) – Service Level Agreement – Park Ranger costs:** Clerk advised a response is still awaited
DECISION: The Clerk be authorised to negotiate with Wrexham County Borough Council for an increase in the Service Level Agreement cost for 2022/23 to provide a sum up to a total of £1,200 to enable the Park Ranger to organise and hold eight events spaced throughout the Agreement period on a similar basis to the 2021 Halloween and Christmas events held in Acton Park.

8. PROCEDURAL MATTERS – SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT REPORTING :

1. EXTERNAL AUDIT- ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2020/21 CONCLUSION OF AUDIT

DECISION: To receive the update and endorse the action taken by the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

2. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR & INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2021/22

DECISION:

1. To confirm the annual review the Council's arrangements for Independent Internal Audit testing during 2022/23 as specified by the Audit Commission for Wales, the current Accounts and Audit Regulations and the Governance and Accountability for Local Councils in Wales – A Practitioners Guide (2019);

2. To confirm the re-appointment of JDH Business Services Limited to provide the Council's Internal Audit Service; and

3. A letter detailing the internal Audit Plan for 2021/22 as reported to the meeting be signed by the Clerk and Chair to the Council and forwarded to JDH Business Services Ltd

9. KEY ACTON ISSUES: WCBC Members reported verbally on **new** or **Key Issues** being considered by the County Bough Council that may affect the whole or part of the Community of Acton

DECISION –Noted that

1. A Pharmacist is now in place at Borrass Park

2. The Health Board now run the Borrass Park Surgery and improvements are expected following previous difficulties in recruitment of a GP and nursing staff

10. ACTON PARK:

DECISION –

1. Noted that Acton Park does not belong to Acton Community Council but it is a generous benefactor and it could manage residents expectations through liaison with all interested parties involved with the Park to compile an action plan in conjunction with Wrexham County Borough Council as the owner of the Park;

2. Social Media could be used to promote positively what the Community Council has been able to provide to improve facilities and provision at the Acton Park and to promote the valuable work of Park Volunteers

3. To request Wrexham County Borough Council Officers, the Local Wrexham County Borough Council Member for the Park and the Member of the Public that Councillor S Edwards has been liaising with to meet separately to seek to resolve or clarify the issues that have been raised

4. A question is included on the second Acton Community Council Community Engagement survey to try and ascertain what the public expectation is for the Park

11. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – 2022 Community Engagement Survey

DECISION – Councillor E Doherty be thanked for preparing the draft survey and it now be circulated to all members of the Council for final comment prior to being published and run for a two week period with a view to reporting the outcomes to the next Council meeting.

12. REPORT FROM CLERK on correspondence and other information that has been received since the last meeting.

DECISION: To note the correspondence.

13. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

DECISION:

1. To note the Interest payment receipts and the bank charges and fees to be levied on the Council's Bank Accounts and to authorise a transfer of £45,000 to be made between the Deposit and Current Accounts to meet expected expenditure to the end of the Financial Year;

2. To approve the payments to be made in February 2022 as set out in the schedule

3. To approve the action proposed by the Clerk to obtain a current insurance rebuilding cost assessment from Legat Owen for the Maesydre Power House to mitigate Insurance Cover risk, the cost to be met from the existing budget provision; and
4. The Clerk be authorised to approve under delegated powers any payments for the electrical installation costs of the remaining two defibrillators.

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (to be determined by Wrexham County Borough Council) and on the Town and Country Planning (Trees) Regulations 1999 received since the last meeting.

DECISION – that the Applications received since the last meeting be determined as follows:

Case Number/ Address & Proposed Development	
1.	Planning Application P/2022/0062 Valid From 20/01/2022 :46, Huntsman’s Corner, Wrexham, LL12 7UH - non-material amendment to planning permission p/2021/0988 to amend material No Observations
2.	Planning Application P/2022/0105 - Valid From 01/02/2022 Land At 46-48, Hazel Grove, Wrexham, LL12 7HA- creation of off road parking area No Observations
3.	Planning Application P/2022/0084 - Valid From 25/01/2022 9, Caernarvon Road, Wrexham, LL12 7TT - roof extension and rendering of property No Observations

15. EXCLUSION of PRESS AND PUBLIC

DECISION to exclude the press and public from the Meeting during consideration of the next item of business as it is likely that, if they were present, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960.

16. ACTON COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE: Further to Minute 115 January 2022, the Chair and Vice Chair submitted a report

DECISION: This matter was determined in private

End of remote meeting notes.