



*'Your very Local Council'*

**Locum Clerk to the Council/RFO: Shaun Jones**  
**Chairman: Cllr Mrs. Sharon Lloyd**

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024** in Piercy Hall, Marchwiell.

Present: Cllrs Lloyd S (SL), (Chair); Cawsey (CC); Davies (CD); Lloyd N (NL); Lydford (KL) & Woodhouse (VW);

In attendance: Shaun Jones (SJ), Locum Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer.

27.23/24 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE** – Cllrs Edwards, Price & Williams.

28.23/24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None made.

29.23/24 **PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS** – No members of the public present.

30.23/24 **MINUTES** – The draft minutes for the Council Meeting held Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 are now put to the Council as an accurate record of proceedings. **Approved by all members present.**

31.23/24 **POLICE MATTERS** – **Members noted** the March 2024 update report for Marchwiell and Crime Figures for January 2024.

32.23/24 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

– *To consider the following applications;*

1. Reference: P/2024/0054: **Grove Cottage Wrexham Road Marchwiell:** Erection of two storey garage/workshop. : To view online : [Click here.](#)

– **Decision – No Observations or Comments to be submitted.**

2. Reference: P/2024/0089: **Land East of Berthengron Farm Berthengron Sontley:** Installation of Farm Track (In retrospect). : To view online : [Click here.](#)

– **Decision – No Observations or Comments to be submitted.**

3. Reference: P/2024/0090: **Land East of Stryt yr Hwch Farm Sontley:** Installation of Farm Track including Earthworks to level area of land (In retrospect). : To view online : [Click here.](#)

– **Decision – No Observations or Comments to be submitted.**

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4. To consider any planning applications validated since the publication of the agenda – **None received.**

33.23/24

**PLANNING DECISIONS**

– To note the following Planning Decisions;

1. P/2023/0664 **West View Overton Road Marchwiell: Two Storey Rear Extension** : GRANTED : To view online : [Click here.](#) – **Noted**
2. P/2023/0818 **1 Scotts Close Marchwiell: Works to Trees protected by tree preservation order WCBC 157** : GRANTED : To view online : [Click here.](#) – **Noted**
3. P/2023/0856 **Chetwynd Grove Bangor Road Marchwiell: Change of Use of Dwelling to Offices (In retrospect)** : REFUSED : To view online : [Click here.](#) – **Noted**
4. To note any planning decisions made since the publication of the agenda – **None received**

34.23/24

**LOCUM CLERK REPORT – INCLUDES CORRESPONDENCE**

- Work continues on the request to exume an ashes casket.
- One Voice Wales – Unfortunately SJ was unable to attend the Local Area meeting yesterday evening but will follow up with Mabon.
- The One Voice Wales National Awards event is to take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at the Royal Welsh Showground.
- A request to Scottish Power to re-issue an Annual Consumption Certificate to take account of the LED lamps now in place.
- An item of correspondence that will be covered under agenda item 43.

35.23/24

**BURIAL FEES – Members agreed** to uplift the fees for a New Headstone or Monument £80 to £180 and Additional Inscription £40 to £60 and Non-Resident – with Community Links covering Grave Space purchase, Re-opening and Memorials will see the multiplier move from x2 to x3 of equivalent charge to Residents. **SJ will update the Burial Ground Charges sheet and it will become effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.**

36.23/24

**MCC WEBSITE** – To approve the transition to a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) – end to end encryption. Implementation fee of £125.00 and annual renewal of £50.00. This is best practice for our web domain. – **Members approved.**

37.23/24

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – APPEALS/GRANTS** – Two applications were tabled. Calon FM, Wrexham and St Deiniol & St Marcella Parish Church, Marchwiell. SJ referred to some background advice provided by One Voice Wales with regard awarding funding/grants to Churches in Wales. Also, based on the budget just approved, no monies have been set aside for offering financial assistance. **Members agreed to leave both applications on the table.**

38.23/24

**SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT – WCBC – PLAY AREAS** – To review and agree to engage for 2024/25. **Members approved the quote of £2,162.00 plus VAT per annum.**

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- 39.23/24 **D-DAY 80 COMMEMORATION** – To look at any local event/activity to mark this anniversary and a suggestion from Bruno Peek, Pageantmaster, to fly a commemorative flag. **Members agreed to take soundings with local groups in the community e.g. Scouts and Veterans to determine how this anniversary is to be commemorated in Marchwiell – June 6<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
- 40.23/24 **PAYMENTS** – Vision ICT Email Hosted £21.60, North Wales Wildlife Trust £8,100.00, JDH Business Services Ltd £594.00, CLR Law £885.90, SG Jones Expenses £36.50 & Salix £986.68 **were approved.**
- 41.23/24 **TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE MEETING AGENDA (FULL COUNCIL OR RESPECTIVE COMMITTEE)** – Nothing tabled but feel free to submit to SJ before the date noted at the foot of this agenda.
- 42.23/24 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**  
– **Members resolved** to exclude the public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, so as to discuss the following confidential matters;
- 43.23/24 **STAFFING MATTERS** – *To review and approve actions from employer legal advice team.*
- SJ provided an explanation of legal advice costs noted under item 40 Payments.
  - A final payroll adjustment has been presented, compiled by SJ and **now members approved.**
  - It is suggested, now that approval has been given, that we target this month's payroll run.

*The meeting closed at 8:30pm.*

Signed:..... Date:.....