

**MARCHWIEL COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 19th JUNE 2019 AT MARCHWIEL VILLAGE HALL AT 7:00 PM**

Present:

Councillor Mr Terry Edwards – Chair
Councillor **Mrs Sharon Lloyd - Vice Chair**

“ Mrs Morag Browning	Councillor Ms Christine Jones*
“ Mrs Patricia Downes*	“ Mr Stephen Jones*
“ Mr Andrew Edward	“ Mr Nigel Lloyd
“ Mr Russell Jones*	“ Miss Sally Roberts*

Mrs Victoria Jones – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer * Absent

Invited Guests:

29 Welcome

Cllr Edwards welcomed Members and two PCSO's Lydia Edwards and Sarah Roberts.

30 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Patricia Downes, Russell Jones, Sally Roberts, Steve Jones & Christine Jones

31 Police Report

North Wales Police – PCSO Lydia Edwards 2929 & PCSO Sarah Roberts 2836 attended the meeting and introduced themselves to Members. They explained that they are based in Gresford Station and will attend whenever possible but they have larger areas to cover with less officers. They will reply to emails when on duty and is probably the quickest way to make contact. They reported the latest crimes to Members including: Criminal damage to locks; Theft of mobile phone and Shoplifting in Cross Lanes Co-op. Noted. An enquiry has been made to Go Safe on the process of requesting a permanent Speed Camera.

Members raised the following points:

Speed awareness signs in the village and compared to local signs that have smiley faces. The Clerk agreed that she would make enquiries of what is out there and at what cost.

The hedges need cutting and are blocking the view for motorists especially from Marchwiel Hall Lane onto A525. The Clerk agreed to contact WCBC to enquire when the grass be cut.

Pot holes are dangerous for motorists. On Sontley Hill by New Sontley Farm there are huge pot holes that require urgent attention. Members complained that the County Councillor should be taking action for his village. Members present discussed sending a letter of complaint to Wrexham County Borough Council stating that he does not fulfill his roll as a County Councillor of which he is paid for. What exactly does he do for Marchwiel Residents?

Dogs at 2 Church Court Marchwiel incident – Tenant/owner has now moved with the dogs. Members thanked the PCSO's for attending.

32 Declarations of Interest¹

The Clerk reminded Members that they should declare the existence and nature of any personal and or prejudicial interest.

Cllr Sharon and Nigel Lloyd Declared an interest in Ref: Min 31 Dogs nuisance. (Police Report)

33 Confirmation of Minutes
AGREED – That the minutes of the Meeting held on April 10th 2019 be signed as an accurate record.
34 Matters concerning Wrexham County Borough Council (Part 2)⁴ and Councillors Report and Marchwiell Village Hall
County Councillor John Pritchard has yet again failed to send his report to either the Clerk or Chairman. Members have not received a report for his constituents since he last attended a Community Council meeting in September 2018, 9 months ago.
<u>The Chairman declared that Members of the Press and Public will be excluded from discussions on this matter as it contains items of a sensitive nature, under the provisions of Part 2 of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960.</u>
35 Finance
<p>a) <u>The Council proposed and seconded the following:</u> <u>Income and Expenditure for the Period 15th May 2019 – 19th June 2019</u> Total income @ 15/05/2019 (19/20) = £900.00 Total expenditure @ 15/05/2019 (19/20) = £4,323.61</p> <p>b) <u>Bank Signatory Mandate:</u> The Clerk reported the bank had forwarded to Head Office the part/completed forms without waiting for Members to attend to present their ID's. Cllr Browning had attended but was told they didn't need to see it, Head Office has now returned them to the Clerk with the old style forms to complete. Members agreed to complete at the end of the meeting. Members uttered their total disbelief of how unorganised and unprofessional the bank has been. Cllr Browning added that she would make contact to complain.</p> <p>c) <u>Internal Audits:</u> The Clerk informed Members that she was still compiling the documents for the Internal Auditor. She will need to meet Members the following week for her to report before she takes them to the Internal Auditor in Mold. Noted</p> <p>d) <u>External Audit:</u> The Clerk confirmed that she had placed the notice of the Audit in the two noticeboards.</p>
36 S137 Financial Assistance
Resolved that, in accordance with Council policy, applications for financial assistance from organisations be considered once a year in May. None to report.
37 Planning
Members made no objections to the two planning application/notices below.
<p>TPO290/2018 Tree Preservation Order woodland area adjacent to Lower Bedwell Bridge Cross Lanes Wrexham</p> <p>P/2019/0382 Siting of Mobile Home (for a temporary Period of 3 Years) The Groves Farm Sontley Sontley.</p>

38 Ideas for future events and use of Village Hall.

Nothing new to report. Members agreed there was a smell as you enter the foyer. The Clerk agreed to notify the Village Hall.

39 Community Agent

The Clerk reported that the Rainbow Centre had celebrated their 25th Anniversary. The Clerk and Chairman were invited but were unable to attend.

40 Defibrillator – First Responder

The Clerk reported that she had had been in contact with Terence Brownhill who co-ordinates the team. He confirmed that a gentleman from Marchwiel has been trained to be a First Responder. TB confirmed that he has forwarded my email to a representative from Welsh Ambulance to advice what make of Defibrillator they would recommend. Members had agreed at the last meeting to purchase their own defibrillator and it to be placed at the bottom of Station Road near the rockery feature, in its stand alone case. The cost is anticipated to be no more than £4000.

41 Burial Ground

The Clerk reported receiving an email from a resident requesting that weeds are growing from the burial ground into their garden. The Clerk reported instructing Mr Leon Hughes to only cut the weeds on the burial ground side of the fence. This was agreed by Cllr T Edwards who himself had been contacted by the resident.

The Clerk reported that the updated Marchwiel Burial Ground Deeds are ready to be prepared and issued. However, the card purchased may prove difficult to write on.

42 Street Lighting

Clerk reported she had only just had a response from Allan Richardson of Snapfast who has agreed to begin the process of applying for funding for the 69 led lamps from his company and give the process of the procedure. The Clerk agreed to contact WCBC regarding the five lamp posts to arrange they replace those but enquire if they are replacing the lamps or if we could replace as they are working on them. Also clarify the maintenance SLA. Members thought that it probably best to renew for the 12 months and look what will be required for 20/21.

43 Nature Reserve

Clerk will make contact with North Wales Wildlife Trust to re-arrange a site meeting.

44 Website

The Clerk reported she had sent the information required to be placed on the website. However, additional updates are required.

45 Welcome Garden

Cllr Edwards reported that Mr Leon Hughes had varnished the Noticeboard. He had also weeded and tidied the garden. The Clerk reported that she had not received quotes for ECO benches need replacing. A decision to be made next meeting.

46 Events Calendar

Not enough Members present to discuss this item.

47 Correspondence

Correspondence was noted by Members:

1. **Black Rock Farm** has emailed inviting Members to meet. Sesswick Community Council has sent several emails regarding not meeting due to conflict of interests. This has been checked and is perfectly ok to meet with them. Sesswick also suggested meeting on neutral ground from Cross Lanes and requesting that both Councils meet them together. Members discussed

the suggestions and decided it would be best that we meet separately and asked the Clerk to make contact **with** Black Rock Farm.

48 Members Urgent Announcements' and requests for future meeting items

There being no further business the Clerk left the meeting at 8:50pm whilst the Councillors had a discussion.

PRESIDING CHAIRMAN - COUNCILLOR MR TERENCE EDWARDS

Signed as a correct record _____ this 10th July 2019