



'Your very Local Council'

Locum Clerk to the Council/RFO: Shaun Jones

Chairman: Cllr Mrs. Sharon Lloyd

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday 2nd July 2025** in Piercy Hall, Marchwiell.

Present: Cllrs Lloyd S (SL), (Chair); Davies (CD); Francis (CF); Grives (KG); Lloyd N (NL); Lydford (KL) & Marriott (PM).

In attendance: Shaun Jones (SJ), Locum Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer & one Member of the Public.

Not Present: Cllrs. Woodhouse & Williams.

42.25/26 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE** – Cllr Megan Rathbone (Family Commitment) & Cllr. William Price (Work Commitment).

43.25/26 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None given.

44.25/26 **PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS** – No questions raised.

45.25/26 **MINUTES** – To approve for accuracy and sign the minutes of the **Full Council** meeting held on Wednesday 4th June 2025 and of the **Additional Council** meeting held on Monday 30th June 2025. – **Approved by all members present.** One matter arising from minute **41.25/26** concerning the Internal Audit Report 2024/25 point 4. where SJ consulted with Audit Wales and removed an accounting entry from Box 4 and entered into Box 6. **Members agreed.**

46.25/26 **WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – A written report from Cllr. John Pritchard outlined his recent confinement in hospital and noted concerns again expressed over the Recreation Ground perimeter fence which is in a poor state of repair. The matter will be raised with Wrexham Council.

47.25/26 **BURIAL GROUND** – WCBC the trade waste bins will currently in place will become chargeable from October 2025. A conversation with one of the Church Wardens and also by chance a volunteer who maintains 1/3 of the Churchyard. It was ascertained that most of the green waste comes from the Churchyard as the MCC Contractor has mowers that mulch rather than collect. After a chat with WCBC it was made clear of the distinction of general waste vs. green waste and MCC could apply for green bins – 240 litres capacity each on the usual domestic tariff of £35 annually – collected every two weeks in the growing season. As a

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charity the Church can apply for a general waste bin – 240 litres emptied every two weeks – free of charge. SJ made a suggestion of an enclosure for the wheelie bins to keep them secure and encourage responsible use – no fly tipping. Some discussion over the practicalities of putting out the bins on Wednesday evening took place. A further meeting with the Church Warden is expected.
Members agreed that up to 2 Green Waste Bins at £70 annually is approved.

48.25/26

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

– To consider the following applications;

1. Reference: P/2025/0489: **10 The Ridgeway, Marchwiel**: Two Storey Rear Extension. : To view online : [Click here.](#)
– **Decision – No Observations or Comments to be submitted.**

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PLANNING DECISIONS

– To note the following Planning Decisions;

1. Reference: P/2025/0215 **1 Forest View, Bangor Road, Marchwiel**: Extension to Existing Dropped Kerb. : **Refused** : To view online : [Click here.](#)
– **Noted.**
2. Reference: P/2025/0405 **Grove Cottage, Wrexham Road, Marchwiel**: Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Permission P/2024/0054 To Amend Floor Plans. : **Granted** : To view online : [Click here.](#)
– **Noted.**

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FINANCE MATTERS – To determine the following:-

- Notices for Public Inspection of our Annual Accounts have been published online and displayed on our two Notice Boards in the village – **Noted.**
- Present Monthly Bank Reconciliation – June 2025 report and sign off – **Noted.**
- Present Q1 [April, May & June 2025] Expenditure against Budget report and sign off. – **Noted.**

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LOCUM CLERK REPORT – INCLUDES CORRESPONDENCE –

- Attended Erbistock & Eytton Community Council meeting on Monday 9th June 2025 as RWE were present to update on the Butterfly Solar Farm planning application. Recent email from RWE also circulated to members. It is expected that RWE will take another opportunity to update MCC in the near future.
- Tidy Wales Awards notice circulated. CD and SJ to work on a suggested nominee for an award.
- North Wales Police report reviewed – 4 incidents in June. The PCSO not available to attend our meeting this evening. Feedback to Lisa on the instances of motorbikes, scooters & e-bikes/scooters seen on the sports field and users not even wearing helmets.
- Email from The Rainbow Foundation reaching out to local partners to seek financial support to cover a funding shortfall. The ask is a contribution of £1,000. MCC have not set a grants budget for FY 25/26. It was agreed that SJ would reply to this request giving details of the stance by MCC as to why we are not in a position to assist at this time.
- Email from Wrexham Area Civic Society with regard to their Awards Scheme. A call for nominations. Members didn't bring anything to mind on this occasion.
- Email from Bloomers Wellbeing CIC covering NE Wales. Short term financial support being requested as well as local venues to deliver their Wellbeing Service. SJ to write and extend an invitation to join a future meeting to give more background to their service.

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SUMMER GARDENING COMPETITION 2025 – MR contacted Bellis Bros to enquire if they could provide a Judge for the competition and we would give vouchers to use in their Garden Centre as prizes. The response was that it was a busy time and they are not able to release anybody to be our judge. They did kindly donate £50 in vouchers as a goodwill gesture. Members asked for other candidates to approach with our request to be our competition judge. **SJ will follow up.**

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PAYMENTS – The following payments were approved:-

Payment Number	Method of Payment	To	For	Net	VAT	Gross
BACS	Faster Pymt	AVOW	Salaries Account	1494.05	0.00	1494.05
BACS	Faster Pymt	Scribe Accounts	Subscription - July 2025	29.00	5.80	34.80
BACS	Faster Pymt	Leon Hughes	Burial Ground Maintenance	700.00	0.00	700.00
	D/D	Unity Trust Bank	Monthly Service Fee - 6/25	6.00	0.00	6.00
Card	PPCC	Giffgaff	Mobile - SIM Only - 18mth	6.67	1.33	8.00
BACS	Faster Pymt	Rainbow Foundation	Room Hire - 6/25	10.00	0.00	10.00
BACS	Faster Pymt	JDH Business Services Ltd	Internal Audit 2023/24	495.00	99.00	594.00
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TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE MEETING AGENDA (FULL COUNCIL OR RESPECTIVE COMMITTEE) –

- Outstanding from recent meetings: Village Signs & Burial Ground records to review.
- Plans for Christmas 2025 – To consider refreshing the “Tree of Wishes” at the Welcome Garden – Lights switch-on event in early December.
- Nature Reserve – what is planned with regard to maintenance.
- The WCBC Tree Planting programme – update.
- New Speed Limit pole incorrectly placed with Welcome Garden.

The meeting closed at 7:50pm.

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