

CYNGOR CYMUNED – TREUDDYN – COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Wednesday 11 January, 2012 at the Meeting Room, Village Hall, Queen St. Treuddyn 7pm

1. **CHAIRMAN** : Cllr. Mrs G. Short

2. **PRESENT** : Cllrs. R. Cracknell, I. Roberts, Mrs P. Bidwell. D. Roberts, Mrs J. Smith, Mrs C. Thomas, C. Swan & B. Jones

3. **APOLOGIES** : Cllr. S. Searle

4. CBM & PCSO

PC Matthew Williams and PCSO Andrea Ellis were unable to attend the meeting.

5. PUBLIC SESSION 6.50 pm to 7.00pm

1 member of the public present.

The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance and opened the meeting:-

The following issues were discussed and the action to be taken.

- The concern of speeding traffic along Ffordd y Rhos

Action – The Community Council have raised the matter with Flintshire C.C Highways. The new development of houses will also have an impact on the road, in which will increase the volume of traffic. Traffic calming measures will be discussed with the Highway Department. Mr Huw Jones – Arrive Alive, will be asked to visit the area.

- Carers visiting homes are parking their cars near junctions and near blind spots.

Action – PCSO Andrea Ellis has spoken to the Carers.

- Parking on the bend - Ffordd y Llan.

The issue has been discussed many times and options put forward to Flintshire C.C. The majority of residents do not have off road parking for their vehicles.

Action – The Clerk will arrange a site visit with Mr Neil Cockerton

- Ffordd-Y-Gilrhos – People are tipping grass cuttings and garden rubbish into the hedge.

Action - The Community Council are aware of the problem and the matter has been reported to Flintshire C.C last Summer.

Anyone seen tipping garden waste into the hedge will be reported, tipping carries a substantial fine.

- Bus Stops – Many of the bus stops in the village have been sited for many years, at a time when the villagers relied on Public Transport. It was agreed that there are a couple of stops i.e near Queen St. Junction and on the bend that are quite hazardous to the people using the stops and for approaching motorists.
- Queen Street Playing Fields. It was stated the site and play equipment is excellent and the BMX track is very challenging and is a great area for the young people.

Matters Reported over the Christmas Period

- There has been an increase in dog fouling around the village. The Police will be patrolling the area, owners will be randomly stopped and asked if they are carrying any waste bags. Flintshire C.C have also increased their patrols. It is the owners responsibility to carry bags to clean up after their dog.
- Rubbish had been reported being thrown from Queen St. Bus Shelter into adjacent gardens.
- There has been an increase in car thefts. A car was abandoned in Hafan Deg, which had been stolen from the village.

6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 14th December, 2011

The Minutes were adopted as a true and correct record

Proposed : Cllr. Mrs J. Smith

Seconded: Cllr. Mr R. Cracknell

6a. Matters raised from the Minutes

1. Recycling : Flintshire C.C are ironing out issues, new stocks of white bags are now available. There were issues over Christmas in which the ‘Clean Team’ had to be called out to tidy the recycling mess that had blown from boxes or dropped by the re-cycling collection team around villages and on the highways. The re-cycling department is improving slowly.
2. The clerk will contact Clark & Kent for an update on the inspection of the BMX track.
3. Area around the bus Shelter, Queen St. Work will commence in the next couple of weeks.

7. DECLARATION OF INTEREST :

No declarations received.

8. PRECEPT REQUIREMENTS 2012 / 13

Members studied the expenditure sheets from 2011/12 and expenditure for the new financial year 2012/13. The Clerk had made provision for items that have been ordered or in the process, such as the village notice boards and the Village Hall sign. The playing field and equipment will be kept up to a high standard and also maintenance of the area. The installation of the drinking fountain will be completed in the spring. The BMX track will be inspected on a twelve monthly basis which is also a requirement by the Council's Insurance, adequate funds for materials have been included. The Clerk stated all the new play equipment has been insured, including seats, litter bins etc. The BMX track carried an additional insurance premium of £200.

- The cutting of the BMX track will go out to tender, it was agreed the area will require between 14/16 cuts from April to October.
- Street Lighting – Scottish Power billing has increased substantially – Provisions have been made for any further increase.
- TCC Street Lights – Provisions have been made to start a programme with Flintshire C.C for the upgrade of the lights. This will be a rolling programme over a number of years to bring lighting stock up to standard.
- Grants – An allowance has been included in the budget.
- Treuddyn News Letter – The printing cost has been running over budget every month. The Clerk gave an update of advertisements received which would pay for one edition. It was agreed the newsletter is a valuable source of information for the community and the booklet format was preferred. It was agreed the newsletter would be published six times a year :- 1. Feb+March 2. April+May 3. June, July+August 4. Sept+October 5. Nov 6. Dec. A budget has been set at £3000.

There were no further amendments to the figures. It was felt a 3% increase would give adequate funds.

It was proposed by Cllr. Mr C. Swan Seconded: Cllr. Mrs C. Thomas

The Precept is increased by 3%

Current Precept 2011-12 : £29,779.00

2012-13 Precept Requirements : £30,762.37

The Chair asked if there were any further amendments, a vote was put forward for a precept figure of £30,762.37

6 in favour

Vote Carried

9. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Changes to Accounts & Audit Regulations. The accounts and audit deadline dates have been brought forward. The audit will have to be signed off by UHY Hacker Young no later than the 30th September, 2012 (previously 31st December). The audit for Councils with an income of over £10,000 will be due 31st May, 2012.

2. War Memorials. The Conservation Section is compiling a list of all war memorials within Flintshire and who is responsible for them. As well as the main memorials, there are also memorial plaques within churches and chapels. Details of all war memorials within the community council area and who is responsible for them should be passed on to Ms Eleanor Carpenter FCC.

3. Ramblers Official Representative for Treuddyn Community - Correspondence received from Mr Neville Howell informing TCC that Mr John Hanahoe is the new Footpath Worker for Treuddyn as well as retaining Llanarmon in Denbighshire. Mr Howell still remains the Official Footpath Worker for Hope, Leeswood and Llanfynydd communities.

4. North Wales Police – An informal meeting will be held at Mold Police Station at 11am on Monday 6th February. Attendees are limited to two per Community Council due to room capacity.

5. Eisteddfod Gaderiol Treuddyn – Thanking TCC for the Scholarship prize of £250 for singers under the age of 25. The winner came from Parc, Bala.

10. GRANTS

A letter was received from St. Mary's Church, Treuddyn Parochial Church Council requesting if TCC would consider a grant towards the installation of a sound system in the church.

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Smith a grant of £100 Seconded: Cllr. Mr. Cracknell

The Chair put the proposal forward for member's consideration in which a grant of £100 was unanimously agreed.

11. MEETINGS ATTENDED AND FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- A meeting will be held at the Village Hall on the 25.01.12 at 11am. Welsh Water will be in attendance to discuss the improvement of treatment facilities and attaching other dwellings to the main sewers. Problem hotspots in Treuddyn will also be discussed. There will be three representatives from Cardiff attending.
- Flintshire Housing have agreed to a Post Office being opened two days per week at Hafan Deg, but has been put on hold at the moment as interest has been shown in the sale of the Llan shop.

- o Flintshire C.C Housing Ballot. (Council housing stock) From 20 February to the 20 March 2012, residents living in council houses (Hafan Deg are included in the ballot) have the right to vote. On the 26th January, 2012 Tact Dome will be visiting the village to provide information regarding the options available.

12. RESULTS – CHRISTMAS LIGHT COMPETITION 2012

First Prize - £30 The Croft, Queen St. Treuddyn
 Highly Commended - £15 Asgard, Ffordd y Rhos, Treuddyn
 Highly Commended - £15 2 Rhyd Osber, Coed-Talon

13. PLANNING

No applications received

14. WEBSITE

There was nothing to report.

15. QUEEN STREET PROGRESS / PLAY AREA & BIKE TRACK

- o The Pod roof has been re-sealed

16. BILLS FOR PAYMENT : It was agreed to pay the following:-

1. Printcentre Wales – December Newsletter	£598.00
2. Mr B. Richards Planting of daffodils	£60.00
3. Treuddyn Handyman grass cutting of BMX Track & sealing of Pod	£150.00
4. Scottish Power Plc	£187.10
5. Clerk’s salary Dec	£266.88
6. Clerk’s expenses Dec	£69.63
7. Mr B. Richards underpaid for planting of bulbs	£10.00
8. 1 st Prize Christmas comp 2012 – ‘The Croft’ Treuddyn.....	£30.00
9. Highly Commended ‘Asgard’ Treuddyn.....	£15.00
10. Highly Commended ‘2 Rhyd Osber, Coed-Talon	£15.00
11. Came & Company Insurance – Queen St. playing fields	£246.37
12 St. Mary’s Church, Treuddyn s137 payment	£100.00

17. COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS

1. Church Walk – It was agreed to hold a site visit to look at the stile. The Clerk will arrange a date and inform interested parties.
2. Pentre Felin – To date the Enforcement team have not ben out to inspect the reported site. The Clerk will contact Mr Mark Jones – FCC Head of Enforcement for any update and to request a visit.
3. Cross Roads Sign – A request by the Community Council for a sign to be erected at the Mynydd Du cross roads, Treuddyn.
4. Areas of the road towards the Dadau Farm, Ffordd yr Odyn is still breaking away. The Clerk will follow up a previous report to request the inspection of the road.
5. It was reported the location of the litter bin near the new bus shelter on Ffordd y Llan has been sited too far back.
6. To progress with the adoption of the BT Phone Box, Queen Street.

Chairman

08.02. 2012