MINUTES of the proceedings of the Meeting of Nannerch Community Council held at Nannerch Memorial Hall on Wednesday 6th September 2023

PRESENT:

Councillor J Byrne (presided the meeting)
Councillor J Capstick
Councillor J Costidell
Councillor F Hunter
Councillor K Weston
Councillor G Williams

IN ATTENDANCE
Councillor A Parkhurst

1. **Public Participation**
   None
   Prior to the meeting, Councillor Byrne confirmed that there had been no requests for remote access to the Meeting.

2. **To consider accepting apologies for absence**
   Councillor H Morgan.
   Apologies accepted

   Councillor Owen had handed in his resignation to Nannerch Community Council prior to the meeting. His resignation was accepted by the Council and the decision to co-opt a replacement was taken.

   In the absence of a Clerk, Councillor Hunter took the minutes.

3. **To record declaration of interests from members in any item to be discussed**
   Janet Costidell and Gareth Williams declared an interest for item 10.2.

4. To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Meeting 5th July 2023

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Meeting of Nannerch Community Council held on 5th July 2023 be accepted as a true and correct record and signed by Councillor Byrne.

5. To receive police update and raise any matters

PCSO Connor Freel did not attend the Meeting.

The Chair had confirmed that the Police Statistics for Cilcain ward had been updated for May and June 2023.

- No crimes had been reported in May 2023 in Nannerch.
- 1 violence and sexual offence had been reported in June 2023 near Llangwyfan carpark.

Connor had also reported that he has left his post as a PCSO to join the Training department following 6 years in Flintshire South. He has provided his Sargent's email Kerry.nash@northwales.police.uk should anyone wish to contact the Neighbourhood Policing Team, however, should residents have anything to report then can use 999, 101 or use the NWP public website:
Report a crime | North Wales Police
Cllr Hunter agreed to contact Kerry Nash to engage with the Neighbourhood Policing Team in order to confirm a point of contact.

6. To receive Streetscene update and raise any matters

Neil Hickie did not attend the meeting.

Neil had previously confirmed the road between Bryn Goleu and the water tower was not adopted by the Council and therefore they are unable to assist with pothole repairs.

Residents have commented that the car park behind the old council houses has become overgrown and that a caravan has been left parked there for some time. It is unclear whether the condition of this car park is the responsibility of the council. The Chair will be asked to clarify ownership of the carpark with Flintshire County Council in the first instance and then the options in improving the condition of the carpark.

The Chair will also be asked to request an updated action plan from Neil prior to the next meeting and to request additional salt bins on behalf of local residents. These have been requested at Erw Llan and Pen y Felin.

Recent work undertaken by a land owner on the Byway running parallel to Ffordd y Waen was discussed. There has been mixed feedback from residents, some have concerns of potential damage done to habitat with others consider the works undertaken as an improvement. Flintshire County Council have approached the landowner and no further action is likely providing no additional work is done.

A local landowner wished to remind residents that when accessing land that gates are closed and individuals stick to the official footpaths.

7. To update on items from last meeting

7.1 To consider the options for Telephone Kiosk interior work

Council still await the kiosk interpretation panel. The Chair had agreed to chase the supplier. Councillor Williams offered to arrange printing if required.

7.2 To receive an update on Nannerch Play Area and the Green Communities Fund.

Due to another Green Communities project undertaking some of the printing work on behalf of Nannerch CC, there would have been an underspend in our project resulting in some of the funds received upfront to be returned. Therefore, the Chair had agreed for additional infrastructure work to some of the footpaths to fully exhaust the remaining funds. This will focus on improving signage and the footpaths will be published on the kiosk interpretation panel. £927.90 had been received from the fund in July.

It was noted in the meeting that Nannerch play area has become very popular since the improvement works have been completed. With regards to the roundabout, it appears to be sticking when being used by small children, but does not seem to stick when older children use it. The Chair had previously highlighted this with Richard Roberts of Aura Leisure.

8. Planning

To consider:

8.1 Planning applications received by Flintshire County Council

Application reference number: FUL/000651/23
Location: Lollipop Cottage, Ffordd y Waen, Nannerch, Mold, CH7 5RX
Proposal: Demolition of dilapidated hay barn and storage building

Application reference number: DET/000709/23
Location: Melin y Wern, Nannerch, CH7 5RH
Proposal: Application for approval of details reserved by conditions No. 3 and 4.

8.2 Planning applications approved by Flintshire County Council

Application reference number: FUL/000172/23
Location: Penbedw Uchaf, Nannerch, Mold, CH7 5RP
Proposal: Erection of 1 Yurt, 1 Wooden Log Cabin and composting WC to form a campsite
Approved: 13th July 2023

Application reference numbers: FUL/000081/23, LBC/000082/23, FUL/000033/23, LBC/000034/23
Location: Hafod Y Cwm, Ffordd Y Cwm, Nannerch, Mold, CH7 5RU
Proposal: (1) Single Storey side extension and associated works and re-roofing of curtilage outbuilding. (2) RETROSPECTIVE application for the replacement of first floor windows.
Approved: 27th July 2023

Councillor Byrne asked that any comments in support or against these applications are forwarded the Chair and herself, so that they can be collated, and sent to the Planning Department before the deadline dates.

9. Clerk's Update - Correspondence and other items

9.1 To receive update on the Clerk's replacement

One Voice Wales had been sent the draft job description and this will be published in the coming week. Salary will be based on experience. It will be expected that any successful candidate will undertake the statutory CiLCA qualification which will be paid for by the Council.

The Chair had suggested that the closing date for applications follows the next meeting so that those with an interest can attend at least one meeting prior to applying. Nannerch Community Council will publish the advert on the Nannerch Past and Present Facebook page when available by including the link to the advert.

9.2 To receive update on the 2022/23 External Audit

The Chair had not received the request to supply papers for the external auditor.

9.3 To discuss Councillor's training plan

The Chair had invited Councillors to attend training they belive would help them in their role so that the training plan can be finalised.

9.4 To receive feedback from the Wrexham and Flintshire Area Committee One Voice Wales AGM

The Chair had attended this meeting. The main speaker was from Planning Aid Wales and there was an interesting discussion on what were, and were not, common material considerations in planning applications.

9.5 Introduction of the new 20mph into legislation.

From the 17th September 2023 there will be a default 20mph speed limit on restricted roads across Wales. Councillor Parkhurst had received confirmation of the Traffic Regulation Order to include the lengths of Ffordd y Pentre North from the Cross Foxes, South of Bryn Dedwydd and School Lane. The other areas requested by The Community Council were not included in this traffic order but Councillor Parkhurst believes that it will be possible to make a further request in the future. The 21 days for objections have now passed.

9.6 To receive feedback from Flintshire's Local Access Forum

The Chair had attended this meeting which included an overview of Active Travel and Cycling and a review of the Access barriers on the Wales Coastal Path. Discussions on different barrier options to provide access for disabled users against the need to deter antisocial behaviour, motorbikes and to ensure that the route isn't utilised for county lines drug trafficking took place.

9.7 To provide feedback to the North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority public consultation

Councillor Weston had attended a consultation on the proposed changes to North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority. There were 3 proposed options. Unless option 1 is chosen then Deeside and Rhyl will lose their 24/7 cover. There were concerns that options 2 and 3 rely on retained firefighters, people who work full time and are on call to attend incidents and that the fire service will struggle to recruit in sufficient numbers to provide adequate cover.

The emergency service review is available at https://www.northwalesfire.gov.wales/media/341601/ecr-full-doc-english.pdf.
The survey is assessable at https://www.northwalesfire.gov.wales/aboutus/emergency-cover-review-have-your-say/how-to-take-part/.
The Chair had agreed to complete the survey on behalf of the Council.

9.8 To receive second instalment of 2023/24 Precept

The Chair had confirmed receipt of £5,069.97 from Flintshire County Council as the second payment of the precept.

9.9 To receive invite to the Fron Haul Quarry Liaison Meeting

Nannerch Community Council had still not received the minutes and documents requested from the previous Liaison committee on the 17th March 2023. Cllr Parkhurst has received the minutes from the 17th March and will forward them onto the Chair. Cllr Parkhurst also confirmed he was subsequently invited to a second Liaison committee on 18th August 2023, which he attended and included a tour of the Fron Haul quarry. Nannerch Community Council was not invited to this meeting. The frequency of the meetings will be 6 monthly. At the time of the meeting the full planning conditions had not been finalised.

Nannerch Community Council have been invited to the next Fron Haul Liaison committee on the 9th February 2024. An agenda will be sent at a later date.

10. To receive and consider Village items

10.1 AED Check

The Chair will check the defibrillators at the Kiosk, Memorial Hall and the Cherry Pie upon his return. Pads are due to expire on the Cherry Pie defibrator at the end of the month and a replacement set has been requested by the Chair.

10.2 Update from Cross Foxes committee

Cllrs Costidell and Williams provided an update. A small committee has been formed to explore the possibility of a community led initiative for the Cross Foxes Pub. Through discussions with the owner's representative, the owners of the pub have informed the committee that they are not in a position to offer the pub for lease nor buy to the community as they have other plans for 2024. They have assured the committee that they are committed to ensuring the Cross Foxes remains a pub. The committee would like to thank the community for all their support and will remain in place should circumstances change.

11. To receive list of payments

Councillor Byrne and Councillor Williams checked the list of payments due, having reviewed the supporting invoices supplied.

The Chair had confirmed that payments that had been authorised by the Council in recent previous meetings, but where the supplier had not been paid previously by BACS (as well as a couple of additional payments) had not been processed by the bank due to no Councillor having the agreed additional security. NatWest had been helpful in providing assistance and invoices were now being paid. However, the Chair wished to thank those waiting for funds for their patience.

	Payee	**£**	**Payment method**	**Power**
11.1	Gordon's Gardens July 23	£99.00	BACS	LGAct 1972 s.111
11.2	Gordon's Gardens August 23	£63.00	BACS	LGAct 1972 s.144
11.3	Metrosigns 2000 (Green Communities)	£427.56	BACS	Highways Act 1980, ss. 43, 50
11.4	Humphreys Signs & Print (Green Communities)	£2,036.26	BACS	Highways Act 1980, ss. 43, 50

TOTAL £2,625.82

NEXT MEETING 4th October 2023

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