

NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL
(Representing the Wards of Northop and Sychdyn)

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5th January, 2016

Dear Councillor,

You are requested to attend the meeting of **NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL** to be held at the **MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, NORTHOP** on **MONDAY, 11th JANUARY 2016** at **7.00 p.m.**

Yours sincerely,

Gwen Smith
Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interest from Members.

2. POLICE MATTERS

To consider Police matters in Sychdyn and Northop.

3. MINUTES***

To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 14th December 2015.

4. STREET LIGHTING

(a) To receive reports on faults.

(b) To consider a new programme of upgrading works to Community Council-owned street lighting.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider any planning applications:

None received to date.

(b) To receive correspondence from Flintshire County Council's Head of Planning on planning applications on which the Council has previously submitted observations:

- (i) **KYT/049816** - Delegated Officer Approval 11/12/2015. Retrospective application for the change of use of land from agricultural to livery stables, menage with floodlighting and associated facilities, at Land at Bryn Offa Lane, New Brighton, Mold CH7 6RQ
- (ii) **LEJ/052178** – Delegated Officer Approval 14/12/15. Retention of marquee and log cabin previously approved under ref. 049700 at Soughton Hall Hotel, Sychdyn, CH7 6AB.
- (iii) **DJM/054518** - Withdrawal on 14/12/15 of proposal for conversion of existing garage to form hydrotherapy room and erection of extension to form new garage at St. Pierre, Northop Country Park, Northop, CH7 6WD.
- (iv) **LEJ/054070** – Conversion of existing outbuilding into 2no. self-contained flats at Cross Keys, Black Brook, Soughton, CH7 6LT

6. ACCOUNTS

(a) To approve the payment of the following accounts:-

- (i) Gwen Smith – Clerk's salary for January 2016 = £310.30 (net)
- (ii) HM Revenue & Customs – Income Tax payment of £77.60 in respect of Clerk's salary January 2016
- (iii) Campaign for the Protection of Rural Wales – Annual membership (as agreed on 14/9/15). Fee to be confirmed.

(b) To approve the payment of a donation of £100 to Flintshire CAB as agreed at the Council meeting on 12/10/15 (current audited accounts have been received).

7. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDIT 2015-16***

To consider the appointment of an Internal Auditor for the 2015-16 Annual Audit.

8. CITIZENS' AWARD

To receive an update from the Clerk.

9. SOUTH FLINTSHIRE POLICE CONSULTATION MEETING

To consider attendance at the Consultation Meeting to be held at Mold Council Chambers, Town Hall, Earl Road, Mold on Wednesday 3rd February, commencing at 6.00pm.

10. SUMMER PLAYSCHMES 2016***

- (a) To consider funding the minimum 3 weeks' provision of Summer Playschemes in Sychdyn and Northop villages. Additional provision will be available at a cost of £260 per location, per week. Provision will commence 25th July 2016.
- (b) To consider partnership working with local groups who may wish to fund any additional provision.

11. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE (ESTIMATED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS ENDING 31st MARCH 2016 AND 31st MARCH 2017***

To consider the attached report from the Responsible Financial Officer on the estimates for the financial years ending 31st March 2016 and 31st March 2017 and to agree the precept for the financial year ending 31st March 2017.

12. FOR INFORMATION

- (a) The Council has received a letter of thanks from Welsh Border Community Transport for the grant of £200.00
- (b) The Wales Audit Office has appointed the company BDO LLP to undertake external audits of Town and Community Councils for the three years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18.
- (c) The Welsh Government is currently consulting on the Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill which will influence the shape of future local authorities in Wales. Members and residents are invited to attend a consultation event will be held on Thursday 4th February at Venue Cymru, Llandudno (10:30-13:30). Prior booking is required. The consultation closes on 15th February 2016.

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