

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

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7th March, 2017

Dear Councillor,

You are requested to attend the meeting of **NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL** to be held at the **MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, NORTHOP** on **MONDAY, 13th MARCH 2017** 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 Council meeting held on 13th February 2017.

4. STREETSCENE ISSUES

To receive reports on faults.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider the following 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) **056368** - Delegated Officer Approval 24.2.17. Application for the approval of details reserved by conditions nos: 3 (foundation design and groundwork), 4 (archaeological programme of work) and 5 (drainage scheme) attached to planning permission ref:055508. Lilac Cottage, Ffordd Eldon, Sychdyn, CH7 6ST
- (ii) **056410** - Delegated Officer Approval 21.2.17. Erection of two storey extension at Bryn Gwyn, London Road, Sychdyn, CH7 6EL
- (iii) **056568** – Delegated Officer Approval 24.2.17. Application for non-material amendment to planning permission ref:055903. 15 Manor Park, Sychdyn, CH7 6EQ.

6. ACCOUNTS

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

- (i) Gwen Smith – £508.72 comprising of:
 - Clerk's salary for March 2017 plus $\frac{1}{4}$ of Annual Allowance (1.12.16 - 28.2.17) = £395.45 (net)
 - Quarterly internet rental (1.12.16 - 28.2.17) £48.00
 - Quarterly contribution to telephone calls (1.12.16 - 28.2.17) £25.00
 - Reimbursement of photocopying, printing materials, postage and stationary costs (1.12.16 - 28.2.17) £40.27
- (ii) HM Revenue & Customs – Income Tax payment of £98.80 in respect of Clerk's salary for March 2017 plus $\frac{1}{4}$ of Annual Allowance (1.12.16 - 28.2.17)
- (iii) Wales Audit Office – Recharge of External Audit 2015/16 fee by HBO £214.20.

(b) Following the decision at the Council Meeting on 10th October 2016, to approve the payment of donations to the following local organisations:

- Edith Bankes Memorial Hall –£1,500

(c) Following the decision at the Council Meeting on 13th February, 2017, to approve the payment of donations to the following local organisations to support their local work:

- Welsh Border Community Transport –£200
- Marie Curie Nursing Services –£300
- Mccmillan Cancer Support - £100

7. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS

(a) **County Forum of 28.2.17**

Feedback by Cllrs. P. Lawton-Hughes and C. Ruddle.

8. CITIZENS' AWARD

To consider the award and associated arrangements.

9. WELSH GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION – REFORMING LOCAL GOVERNMENT – RESILIENT AND RENEWED***

To consider a response to the Welsh Government's consultation on Reforming Local Government. The closing date for submission of responses is 11th April 2017. The 63-page consultation document and further information can be found at:

<https://consultations.gov.wales/consultations/reforming-local-government-resilient-and-renewed>

10. WELSH GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION - A55 JUNCTION WITH A494 AND A548 - DEESIDE CORRIDOR

The Welsh Government consultation on major improvements to the Deeside Corridor route begins on 13th March and closes 12 weeks later. At this meeting, Members are asked to consider membership of a Task & Finish Group to formulate this Council's response to the proposals. The Task & Finish Group will report back to the April Council meeting with their recommendations.

11. THE 2018 REVIEW OF PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES IN WALES – SECONDARY CONSULTATION PERIOD

The Boundary Commission for Wales (BCW) is proposing changes to the Parliamentary constituencies in Wales. The BCW has published comments received in response to its initial consultation (which ended in December 2016). This secondary consultation invites observations and further comments on the responses already received by the BCW and listed on their website (see below). At this stage the BCW are not proposing any amendments to their proposals.

Members are asked to consider any responses to the comments and observations published on the BCW's website. The closing date for comments is 27 March 2017. More information is to be found at:

<https://www.bcw2018.org.uk/node/6468?postcode=CH76BQ>

12. FOR INFORMATION

(a) Sychdyn Memorial Hall

The Council has received a letter of thanks from the Trustees of Sychdyn Memorial Hall for the grant of £1,500 which will contribute to renewing damaged seating plus the re-polishing of the main hall floor.

(b) Northop Car Park

The Council has received the Non-Domestic Rates Bill from Flintshire County Council for 2017/18 for £673.65. The bill is based on an increased Rateable Value (RV) of £1,350. The RV increased from £1,175 following a national revaluation of commercial properties. Enquiries with the Valuation Office indicate that the RV is based on their being 34 car parking spaces on site and costed at £40.00 p.sq.m area. The Clerk will investigate whether there are grounds to appeal the valuation.

(c) Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP)

The Council has received notification from the IRP of the availability of its Annual Report. The report sets out schemes of reimbursement and payment to members of public bodies, including Town and Community Councils. Council will consider the scheme in relation to this Council at the Annual General Meeting in May of this year.

(d) Community Health Council (CHC) Campaign***

Over the coming weeks the CHCs across Wales will be seeking responses to the question "What could the NHS do better to support people, as well as their families and their carers, living with dementia?" Responses can be made in various ways including by post, e-mail, telephone and text.

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