

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

Gwen Smith
Clerk and Finance Officer

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8th October, 2014

Dear Councillor,

You are requested to attend the meeting of **NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL** to be held at the **MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, NORTHOP** on **MONDAY, 13th OCTOBER, 2014** 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 8th September, 2014.

4. **STREET LIGHTING**

To receive reports on faults.

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) **BMK/052492** – Delegated Officer Approval 22/9/14. Extension to single garage and replacement of existing flat roof with pitched roof over extension and existing garage and insertion 2no. Velux windows to rear at 65 St. Peters Park, Northop.
 - (ii) **BMK/052475** – Delegated Officer Approval 30/9/14. Change of use of first floor from private accommodation (C3) to lettable hotel rooms (C1) – 6no. Bedrooms at the Red Lion Hotel, High Street, Northop, CH7 6BQ.

6. ACCOUNTS

To approve the payment of the following accounts:-

- (a) Gwen Smith – Clerk's salary for September 2014 = £294.10 (net)
- (b) HM Revenue & Customs – Income Tax payment of £73.40 in respect of Clerk's salary September 2014
- (c) Jim's Mowing – Grass Cutting on 1st, 15th and 29th September. Totalling £165.00
- (d) Delfryn Design – Website hosting 28/10/14-27/10/15 - £103.00
- (e) Flintshire County Council – Street lighting power, inspection and maintenance costs July 2014 - £241.77
- (f) Society of Local Council Clerks – Clerk's annual membership - £231.00

7. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS

- (a) **Rememberance Day Wreaths** (Cllr. Linda Deane)
- (b) **Railings at St. Peter's Park, Northop** (Cllr. Rob Mackey)
- (c) **South Flintshire Police Consultation – feedback from meeting** (Cllr Pauline Lawton-Hughes)
- (d) **The Budget Conversation – feedback from meeting** (Cllr. John Carlin)
- (e) **Allotment Field, Northop** (Cllr. John Carlin)
- (f) **Best Kept Village** (Cllr. Jos Wynne-Williams)

8. ANNUAL GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

To consider approving the following grants for which provision has been made in the 2014/15 budget:

- (a) Northop Memorial Institute (£1,500)
- (b) Sychdyn Memorial Hall (£1,500)
- (c) St. Peter's Churchyard, Northop (£1,000)
- (d) Northop Silver Band (£500)
- (e) Flintshire Citizen's Advice Bureau (£100)

9. SUMMARY OF EXENDITURE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2015 (AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER 2014)

To consider the report of the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer.

10. FORMAL RISK ASSESSMENT

To consider the report of the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer.

11. INVESTMENT STRATEGY

To consider the report of the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer.

12. ASSET REGISTER

To consider the report of the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer.

13. FOR INFORMATION

(a) The Council received notification from Flintshire County Council of the launch at the end of last month of the Wrexham and Flintshire Joint Local Housing Market Assessment. Postal surveys have been sent to 27,500 households across the two areas asking for information about their housing needs. The response information will help inform both housing and planning policies.

(b) The Council has received from Flintshire County Council, acknowledgement of its representations regarding the continuing deterioration and lack of development of the Old School, The Green, Northop. The issue has now been recorded on the Planning Enforcement database.

(c) The Society of Local Council Clerks is offering a one day training event at St. David's Park Hotel, Ewloe on Tuesday 10th February 2015 at a cost of £95.00 (+ VAT).

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT, 1960

To consider the exclusion of the press and public from the meeting for the following agenda item in view of the confidential information to be discussed.

14. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR 2015

To consider the Grounds Maintenance Contract to be let for the 2015 growing season.

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