

NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, 14th January, 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

Memorial Institute, Northop

AGENDA

**PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ON STREETSCENE ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY AREA
with Geraint Roberts (Streetscene Area Coordinator, Flintshire County Council)**

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 10th December 2018.

4. STREETSCENE ISSUES

(a) To receive reports on faults.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider the following planning applications.

(i) **CEM/059145** – PROPOSAL: Change of use to a childminding business at Cobblers Wood Farm, Red House, Soughton, CH7 6RH. To view on-line:

https://digital.flintshire.gov.uk/FCC_Planning/Home/Details?refno=059145

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

(i) **059088 –PROPOSAL:** Erection of a porch and side extension with internal alterations at 18 Pen Y Pentre, Sychdyn. Approved. Delegated Officer decision - 04/12/18.

(c) To receive an update on the Ffordd Eldon development site.

6. ACCOUNTS

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

- (i) Gwen Smith – Clerk’s salary for January 2019 = £333.22 (net)
- (ii) HM Revenue & Customs – Income Tax payment of £83.20 in respect of Clerk’s salary January 2019
- (iii) 2 invoices from Flintshire County Council totalling £8,227.95
 - Invoice TR096391, for £226.35
 - Electricity consumption September 2018, £156.35
 - Inspection and maintenance October 2018, £70.00
 - Invoice TR096426 for £8,001.60
 - Electricity consumption October 2018, £156.35
 - Inspection and maintenance October 2018, £145.25
 - Replacement of lighting column at Duke Street, Sychdyn, £900.00
 - Upgrading of bracketed lights at Church Road, Northop, £6,800.00

(b) Upon receipt of current audited accounts*, to approve the payment of donations agreed at the Council meeting of 8/10/2018.

- (i) Northop Memorial Institute (£1,500)

and under Section 142(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972:

- (i) Flintshire Citizen’s Advice Bureau (£100)* Received.

(c) To review the outstanding amendments to the Council’s Bank Mandate.

7. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS

Flintshire South Area - Police Consultation Meeting (Cllr. J. Carlin)

To receive feedback by Cllr. Carlin on the Police Consultation Meeting of 15/11/2018.

8. TRAFFIC MATTERS

To receive any updates on:

(a) **Speeding Vehicles in and around Northop**

(b) **Improvement to the road network within the Community Area**

- (i) Traffic Issues in Northop
- (ii) Safety Improvements along New Brighton Road

9. **UPDATE ON THE A55/A494/A548 DEESIDE CORRIDOR PROJECT**

To receive any update on the matter.

10. **COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR**

To receive any update on the community project.

11. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

To consider the length of the contract to be let for the grounds maintenance service in Northop village.

12. SUMMER PLAY SCHEMES 2019

(a) To consider funding the minimum 3 weeks' provision of Summer Playschemes in Sychdyn and Northop villages with provision likely to commence 22nd July 2019. (Awaiting costing per setting and additional weeks' provision costs from Flintshire County Council. The 2018/19 budget provision was £2,620).

(b) To consider partnership working with local groups who may wish to fund any additional provision.

13. CITIZENS' AWARD

Following the Council meeting of 12 November, to finalise the naming of the junior award and the revised guidance for nominations.

14. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE (ESTIMATED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS ENDING 31st MARCH 2019 AND 31st MARCH 2020 ** (to follow)

To consider the attached report from the Responsible Financial Officer on the estimates for the financial years ending 31st March 2019 and 31st March 2020 and to agree the precept for the financial year ending 31st March 2020.

15. WELSH GOVERNMENT SURVEY: USE OF THE WELSH LANGUAGE BY COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS**

Members are asked to consider a response to a short survey by the Welsh Government on the Council's use of the Welsh language. The Welsh Government proposes to develop a package of resources for Community and Town Councils to increase their awareness and help increase their use of Welsh.

16. WELSH GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION: A494 RIVER DEE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PREFERRED OPTION** (to follow)

The North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agent, on behalf of the Welsh Government is currently investigating options to replace the A494 River Dee Bridge. Members are asked to finalise the Council's response to the consultation for submission before the closing date of 4th February 2019. The consultation document can be viewed at:

<https://beta.gov.wales/a494-river-dee-bridge-improvement-scheme>

and more information can be found at:

<https://gov.wales/newsroom/transport/2018/181112-have-your-say-on-new-a494-river-dee-bridge-preferred-option/?lang=en>

17. FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION: REVISED PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND POLICIES AND PROCEDURES 2018/2028

Members are asked to finalise the Council's response to the consultation which closes on 31st January, 2019.

The Rights of Way Improvement Plan and Policy Documents can be viewed from:

<https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Streetscene/Public-rights-of-way.aspx>

18. LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR WALES CONSULTATION: REVIEW OF THE ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY OF FLINTSHIRE**(to follow)

The Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales (LDBCW) are to review the electoral arrangements for the County of Flintshire with a view to considering and formulating proposals for future arrangements. Members are asked to finalise the Council's response to the consultation which closes on 23rd January, 2019. Statistics relating to current and projected electorate numbers can be found at:

<http://ldbc.gov.wales/reviews/electoralelections/currreviews/59915624/?skip=1&lang=en>

19. COUNTY FORUM – 14th FEBRUARY 2019 – AGENDA ITEMS

To consider any suggestions for agenda items to be considered by FCC.

20. FOR INFORMATION

(a) The Council has received an e-mail of thanks from the Northop Church Committee for the grant of £1,000 to the Parish Churchyard Fund.

(b) Flintshire Play Sufficiency Assessment 2019

Flintshire County Council are seeking the views of Community and Town Councils to assist with their response to the Welsh Government Play Sufficiency Assessment. The assessment aims to provide information to Welsh Government with regard to local issues that impact positively or negatively on children's and young people's opportunities to play in their own communities. Members are asked to give consideration to the content of a response that will be finalised at the next Council meeting, for submission to FCC before the closing date of 22nd February 2019. (Ref. Clerk's e-mail of 04/01/2019)

(c) Future Role Of Community And Town Councils

To receive the Welsh Government's update and action plan on the future role of Community and Town Councils. Members are asked to give consideration, over the coming weeks, to the points raised and how this Council can raise visibility, improve engagement and determine what service delivery role the Council could/should play within the Community. Further information can be found at:

<https://gov.wales/topics/localgovernment/communitytowncouncils/review-of-community-town-council-sector/?lang=en>

<https://beta.gov.wales/written-statement-future-role-community-and-town-council-sector-wales>