

NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, 9th October, 2017 at 7.00 p.m.
Memorial Institute, Northop

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** – *papers to follow*

To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 11th September, 2017.

4. **STREETSCENE ISSUES**

(a) To receive reports on faults/concerns.

(b) To receive an update on the Duke Street light.

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

(a) To consider the following planning applications.

(i) **DJM/055943** – PROPOSAL: Renewal of Planning Permission Ref. 51110 at land rear of 17 Manor Park, Sychdyn, Mold, CH7 6EQ. To view on-line:

https://digital.flintshire.gov.uk/FCC_Planning/Home/Details?refno=055943

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

(i) **057211** – Delegated Officer Approval 25/08/17. Application for removal of variation of condition 1 following grant of planning permission 049241 at Soughton Farm, Rhosesmor Road, Northop, CH7 6AF.

(ii) **057212** – Delegated Officer Approval 21/08/17. Application for the approval of details reserved by condition nos. 3 (materials and finishes), 5 & 7 (drainage) and 9 Photographic Survey attached to planning permission ref. 055541 at Bryn Seion Chapel, Bryn Seion Lane, Sychdyn, Mold.

6. ACCOUNTS

To approve the payment of the following accounts:

- (a) Gwen Smith – Clerk’s salary for October 2017 = £326.65 (net)
- (b) HM Revenue & Customs – Income Tax payment of £81.60 in respect of Clerk’s salary October 2017
- (c) Jim’s Mowing – Grass Cutting on 4th and 18th September. Totalling £110.00
- (d) Wales Audit Office – Fee for 2016/17 Audit by DBO = £210.90.
- (e) Flintshire County Council –two invoices totalling £3,016.64 for:
 - Uncontested Community Election costs (4/5/2017) = £406.64
 - 2017 Summer Playscheme, total for the two locations = £2,610.00

7. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS

- (a) **Request for Financial Assistance from Northop 2000** (Cllr. R. Mackey)

To consider a request by Northop 2000 for a grant of £300 to complete a lasting memorial to Rosemary Jones on the grassed area to the front of the village hall.

8. SCHOOL TRANSPORT

To receive an update by the local member on the School Transport Service.

9. SUMMARY OF EXENDITURE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2018 (AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER 2017) – papers to follow

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

10. ANNUAL GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

To consider approving the following grants for which provision has been made in the 2017/18 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)

11. MATCH FUNDING SCHEME – IMPROVEMENTS TO CHILDREN’S PLAY AREAS 2017/18

Flintshire County Council’s Match Funding Scheme will be delivered by Aura (a not for profit charitable organisation). The play area survey has identified that landscaping improvements are required at the Coronation Field play are in Sychdyn. Members are asked to consider a grant supported application for the Scheme, which if successful will be match funded by Flintshire County Council to a maximum of £10,000.

12. FORMAL RISK ASSESSMENT**

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

13. INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

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

14. ASSET REGISTER**

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

15. UPDATE ON THE A55/A494/A548 DEESIDE CORRIDOR PROJECT

To consider how the Council will take forward it's response to the Red Route option choice by the Welsh Government.

16. OVW/SLCC CONFERENCE – 12th JULY 2017 - *papers to follow*

To receive the Clerk's report on the Conference.

17. WELSH GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION: REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCIL SECTOR

To consider a response to the Independent Review Panel established to consider the future role of Community and Town Councils in Wales based on their questions:

- i. What should Community and Town Councils be responsible for?
- ii. How should they operate?
- iii. What's standing in their way to deliver for the local community?
- iv. How do councils ensure they best represent their local community?

18. FOR INFORMATION

(a) The Council has received a letter of thanks from the organiser of the **Sychdyn Friday Club**, Mrs. Hall. A receipt for the £250 grant was also included.

(b) The Council has received from **Citizens Advice Flintshire** an update on the services provided to local residents. The data highlights the increase in the number of people seeking advice on the Universal Credit system and the upward trend in resorting to Food Bank vouchers.

(c) **Cicio i Blant / Kicks for Kids** ** are approaching all Community & Town Councils offering "Football and Fun in Your Community" with after school; holiday time or school time football training sessions to children aged 5-15yrs. Further details are available from Steven Taylor on tayos4ever5times@btinternet.com / 078 1450 4957.

(** Attachments)