YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 18th January 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor J. I. Davies Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor A. Rowlands Councillor D. Williams

APOLOGISE FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

42/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

None were declared in respect of the business of the council.

43/21 <u>MINUTES.</u>

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 16th November 2020 were approved as a correct record.

44/21 PROVISION OF CYCLE-WAYS - FORMA RAILWAY LINE AFONWEN TO MOLD

Further to minute number 29/20 Councillor A. Rowlands reported that she had been in contact with local action lead Mr C. Barber. Mr Barber had advised that Flintshire County Council was in the process of

investigating the development of a cycleway from Mold to Chester. Members agreed that this would be a positive development of the infrastructure although not easily accessible to our community.

45/21 PROPOSED HALF MARATHON RUNNING EVENT 2021

Further to minute No 31/20 Councillor A. Rowlands reported that she had attended the first meeting of the project working group. Given the current COVID-19 epidemic it had been agreed that the event would be deferred until 2022. Further meeting of the group would continue, and additional updates provided to partners.

46/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services. : Fisheries Hill, Ysceifiog – Damage to road bridge over stream needing repair.

- Over hanging tree branch to highway in need of removal.
- Vehicle passing place at top of hill needs widening to accommodate vehicles.
- Broken dog gate of fisheries footpath.

Ivy House, Babell – Broken style on footpath.

Lixwm Area – Several public footpaths reported to be overgrown and have styles broken.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk would report the above matters.

47/21 ERECTION OF FENCE AND PLANTING TO BOUNDARY No 17 FFORDD WALWEN, LIXWM

The Clerk reported that further to minute number 35/20 a response had been ` received from the Enforcement Officer, Flintshire Planning Authority.

The Officer had advised that she had undertaken a site visit and checked previous planning conditions appertaining to the property.

She further advised that current works undertaken to the boundary did not breach any planning conditions and did not require a planning application.

48/21 PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS TREE LIXWM

Councillor I. Kendrick reported that the provision of the tree had been well received by the community. She asked that thanks be recorded for the help provided by local contractors Mr Cochran & Son, Mike Turner and Mega Electrical, for their kind assistance in enabling the project to be completed so quickly. Councillor I. Kendrick further advised that a local landowner had offered to provide a tree for this year's Christmas event.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Kendrick would liaise with the landowner on this matter.

49/21 PUBLIC FOOTPATH Nos. 32 & 33 IN THE COMMUNITY OF YSCEIFIOG DIVERSION ORDER 2020. TROUT FARM, CAERWYS

The Clerk reported that confirmation has been received from the Chief Planning Officer, Flintshire County Council that the Order was completed on the 2nd June 2020.

50/21 PAYMENT OF MEMBER'S ALLOWANCE FOR 2021/21

In accordance with Local Government Financial Guidelines Members have received the allowance claim form for 2021/21. Members are required to complete the claim form indicating if they wish to or not claim the allowance. Upon completion the form is to be returned to the Clerk for audit records.

RESOLVED:

That all Members confirmed that the above allowance would be declined.

51/21 STREET LIGHTING AND EXTERNAL ELECTRICAL ASSETS ON THE ADOPTED HIGHWAY WITHIN THE COUNTY OF FLINTSHIRE

Mr Darell Jones Operational North & Street Lighting Manager, Flintshire County Council has written to the council. (Copy letter sent to Members) The letter sets out the requirements for the council to provide evidence that the council's Street Lighting Contractor, has the correct accreditation for maintaining lighting systems on the adopted highway.

The Clerk is in discussion with the council's Lighting Engineer with a view of providing the required confirmation.

The council is also required to provide an up-to-date inventory of the locations and type of light the council maintains. This survey has been recently completed by the Clerk establishing that the council currently maintains 51 lights. Of these 7 lights are the sox type and need upgrading to LED.

Instruction has been given to the council appointed lighting engineer to upgrade the remaining lights to LED by the end of the financial year.

In addition to the above each light is required to have an electrical safety inspection and certificate every 6 years. At present the council does not have this facility in place. The estimated cost for this inspection is £25.00 per light. The Clerk has been in discussion with Mr D. Jones who has confirmed that the certification can be undertaken over a rolling programme.

Following consultation with the Chair and Vice Chairman, The Clerk advised that he was proposing that the council considers undertaking the inspection of all its lighting stock during the next financial year. Provision of £3,000.00 has been made within the council draft budget for 2021/22 which is to meet the cost for the inspection, certification, and any remedial repairs required. Of all the 51 lights the council currently maintains.

The Clerk further advised that as several councils in Flintshire have received this letter and their position is very similar to Ysceifiog Community Council. He was in discussion with the Clerk of Caerwys Town Council, Halkyn, Whitford and Brynford Community Councils.

The purpose of this would be to work together to obtain more competitive quotations for the inspection and certification of lights. Subject to council approval.

Members considered the above information and agreed that joint Working with neighbouring councils would be beneficial.

RESOLVED:

That the above actions were approved

52/21 SITING OF STATIC CARAVANS GROESFAEN BACH, MYNYDD LLAN, BABELL

Members reported that several static caravans had been sited at the above property. It had also been reported that the caravans were being used as residential units.

RESOLVED:

That the above information be reported the Planning Authority.

53/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A) 062003

Erection of a porch. Wheeler Grange, Lixwm. CH8 8NF

B) 062146

Application for lawful development certificate for the proposed siting of static caravan within garden. Fron Cottage, Babell, CH8 8QD

C) 062308

Retrospective application for single story extension to existing domestic outbuilding. The barn, Groesffordd, Brynford, Holywell, CH8 8LS

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections to applications A and C above. That application B be deferred until the February meeting of the council.

54/21 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A) St Mary's Church Ysceifiog – Cemetery maintenance.

RESOLVED:

That a grant of £700.00 was approved for the above application.

55/21 DRAFT BUDGET AND SETTING OF PRECEPT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2021/22

The Clerk reported that he had prepared a draft budget and precept report for financial year 2021/22 for Members consideration.

Members were requested to note the year end projected expenditure and income for year ending 2021 and the projected budget requirements for 2021-22.

The Precept Report provided 3 options of precept levels and the estimated charge being levied on a band D property.

RESOLVED:

That the Draft Budget Report for 2021/22 be approved setting the council budget for the year at £40,852.00

That the Precept be set at the same rate as 2020/21 at £27,621.00.

That the Clerk's salary for 2021/22 be approved £10,252.00.

56/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

1223)	Audit Wales – External Audit Fees (L.G.A.1972, 111)		£293.65
1226)	A. Roberts – Postage returns of festoon ligh (L.G.A. 1972s.144)	ting	£52.39
1227)	Greenlion Insights – Webinar hosting fees (L.G.A. 1972 s112)		£36.00
1228)	Scottish Power (P.C.A.1957s111)	Energy Charges	£249.06
1229)	A. Roberts (L.G.A.1972s112,131)	Clerk's salary	£776.77

1230)	H.M. Revenue & Customs - P.A.Y.E. (L.G.A.1972s112)	£242.56
1231)	Viking Direct Ltd – Supply of stationery (L.G.A. 1972, 111)	£147.38
1232)	Scottish Power - Energy Charges (P.C.A.1957s111)	£257.35
1233)	Mike Turner – Supply of Christmas Tree (L.G.A.1972s.144)	£150.00
1234)	Mega Electrical (N-W Ltd) – Fitting of festoon lighting (L.G.A.1972s.144	£180.00
1235)	St. Mary's Church, Ysceifiog - Cemetery maintenance grant (L.G.A.1972s124)	£700.00

57/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 9.30pm.

CHAIRMAN

7.

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 15th February 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor J. I. Davies Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor A. Rowlands Councillor D. Williams

APOLOGISE FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

58/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Councillor P. Griffiths declared an interest in agenda item 6.A Planning Application No. 062369.

59/21 MINUTES.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 18th January 2021 were approved as a correct record.

60/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services.
Woodend Cottage, and Drovers Tumble, Ysceifiog – Perpetual missed re-cycling collections
Ffordd Walwen, Junction Lixwm, - Give Way traffic sign not illuminating.
Footpath near Y Vadre, Babell Road, – Broken style on footpath.
Footpath near Truly Cottage, Babell – Broken footpath sign
Lixwm – Dog fouling signs are faded and out dated. Old signs require removing and replaced together with additional signage.
Tracks from Ddol – Ysceifiog heavily churned up due to use by motor bikes.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk would report the above matters.

61/21 STREET LIGHTING AND EXTERNAL ELECTRICAL ASSETS ON THE ADOPTED HIGHWAY WITHIN THE COUNTY OF FLINTSHIRE

Further to minute No. 51/21 the Clerk reported that discussion was ongoing with the Clerk of Halkyn Community Council and the Highway Authority, Street lighting Engineer, on the proposed joint inspection and Certification of the council's street lighting system.

Quotations were being sought for the inspection of the lights. Upon completion the findings would be reported to the Council for consideration.

62/21 DIGITAL HERITAGE TRAIL HOSTING PLATFORM

The Clerk reported that notice had been given that the current hosting platform Locly, for the above system would be ending at the end of 2021. The lead designers of the digital trail had advised that other hosting options were being sought. Members requested that they be kept advised as and when further information was received.

63/21 DRAFT GUIDANCE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS OF TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS

The Public Ombudsman Wales, had issued the above document which was subject to public consultation until the 28th February 2021. Copy of the document had been received by all members of the Council.

64/21 FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL SUMMER PLAY SCHEME 2021

Mrs Janet Roberts, Summer Play Scheme Manager, Flintshire County Council, had written to the council advising that subject to Covid-19 Government Restrictions, the council was intending to provide the play facility for this year.

The scheme would operate from Monday 19th July 2021 Monday to Friday for three weeks.

Members considered the information and agreed that given the restrictions that had been placed on families over the past 12 months. An opportunity for Children to have social time together would be most welcome.

RESOLVED:

That the Council would support the play scheme this year.

65/21 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN AND SCOPE OF AUDIT FOR 2020/21

JDH Business Services Ltd, the council appointed internal auditor had written to the council advising of the audit plan and scope of audit for 2020/21 audit. Members considered the information and agreed the plan for this year.

66/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A) 062369

Proposed replacement doors and windows, first floor and two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and associated alterations. 11 Bryn Cerrig, Lixwm, CH8 8PF

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objection.

B) 062146

Application for lawful development certificate for the proposed siting of static caravan within garden. Fron Cottage, Babell, CH8 8QD

RESOLVED:

That the council objects to this application.

The proposed location of the construction will have a detrimental impact on the adjacent dwelling.

The proposal is not in-keeping with planning policy for permitted development in the open countryside.

67/21 FIBRE BROADBAND SERVICES, BABELL

Councillor A. Rowlands reported that many residents living in the Babell community were being placed at a disadvantage due to the very poor speed of the current broadband services. Members agreed that due to the home working /lifestyles access to quality broadband was a necessity in all areas of the community. Councillor T. Jones advised that the fibre broadband infrastructure was being rolled out in parts of the community. However, no completion dates were forthcoming from B.T. Services.

RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent to Mr R. Roberts MP and H. Blythyn AM seeking their assistance in obtaining confirmation from B.T. Services on when the Improved services will be available in the Babell area.

68/21 PEN YR ALLT, YSCEIFIOG -SITING OF STATIC CARAVAN AND NOISE DISTURBANCE FROM DOMESTIC GEESE

Members reported that a resident had raised concerns over the remaining siting of a static caravan at the above property. Councillor T. Jones advised that his understanding is that the caravan had been used whilst development work was undertaken to the dwelling.

The static caravan may remain sited following completion of the works. This would be subject the caravan not being used for residential use and that is was not sited on a concrete foundation.

With regard to noise disturbance from geese. Members advised that the resident be advised to contact the Public Health, Department, Flintshire County Council, for further advice.

69/21 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A) Ysceifiog Village Hall – Roof Repairs.

RESOLVED:

That a grant of £2000.00 was approved for the above application.

70/21 ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2021

In accordance with internal audit recommendations the council is required to undertake an annual assessment. The purpose of the assessment is to identify any potential risk and take appropriate actions to reduce or minimise the risk that the council may have identified.

The Clerk had prepared the Risk Assessment Report for 2021, copies of which had been provided to all Members for consideration and approval.

RESOLVED:

That the Risk Assessment Report for 2021 was approved.

71/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

1236)	Information Commissioner – Annual Fee		
	(L.G.A.1972s11)		
1237)	A. Roberts Clerk's salary	£776.77	
	(L.G.A.1972s112,131)		
1238)	H.M. Revenue & Customs - P.A.Y.E.	£242.56	
	(L.G.A.1972s112)		
1239)	Scottish Power - Energy Charges	£257.96	
	(P.C.A.1957s111)		
1240)	Canon Uk Ltd – Copy Machine Lease Fees	£40.37	
	(L.G.A.1972s111)		
1241)	Ysceifiog Village Hall – Grant Payment	£2,000.00	
	(L.G.A. 1972s.33)		

72/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 8.30pm.

CHAIRMAN

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 15th March 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor J. I. Davies Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor A. Rowlands Councillor D. Williams Councillor W. Williams

APOLOGISE FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

Before the commencement of the meeting the Charman Councillor P. Griffiths offered condolences to Councillor D. Williams following the said loss of her farther.

73/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Councillor P. Griffiths declared an interest in agenda items 5.A Public Bridleway from Ffordd Gledlom to Ffynnon -Y- Cyff, Lixwm. And 6.A Planning Application No.062437.

74/21 MINUTES.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 15th February 2021 were approved as a correct record.

75/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services:-

Mynydd Llan to Drovers Tumble Cottage, Fisheries Hill, Ysceifiog.-Highway Kerbs are in need of resetting.

Tan -Y-Rhos, Babell Road. – Highway traffic sign in need of re-erection.

Bryn Sion Hill, Babell.- Road closure due to land slippage. No work being undertaken to repair the highway.

Ffordd Walwen, Lixwm. - Give-way Highway traffic sign not illuminating.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk would report the above matters.

76/21 STREET LIGHTING AND EXTERNAL ELECTRICAL ASSETS ON THE ADOPTED HIGHWAY WITHIN THE COUNTY OF FLINTSHIRE

Further to minute No. 76/21. The Clerk reported that following joint discussion with the Clerks of Caerwys and Halkyn Council quotations had been received for the Inspection and Certification, of the council lighting stock, in accordance with BS7671. Quotations had been sought from three Street Lighting Companies, of which only two had responded.

Members considered the quotations that had been received and agreed to accept the quotation from Flintshire County Council.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk give formal instruction to Flintshire County Council, to proceed with the inspection.

77/21 PROVISION OF PUBLIC NOTICE BOARDS

The Clerk reported that with the assistance of Mr Neil Hickie, Streetscene Services. The erection of the Public Notice Boards at Lixwm and Babell had been completed. Following ongoing repairs to the boundary of Ysceifiog Play Area, the remaining notice board would be erected in the very near future.

78/21 PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY FROM FFORDD GLEDLOM TO FFYNNON -Y- CYFF LIXWM DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2015

The Planning Inspector, had written to the council advising that :-Objections/representations in relation to the proposal to modify the above-named Order had been received.

In accordance with the Act the Inspector appointed to determine the Order is required to afford to any person making an objection/representation in relation to the proposed modification an opportunity of being heard by an Inspector. By agreement with all parties a decision may be made following an exchange of written representations.

The Inspector further advised that in his view that the written representation procedure would be appropriate in this case.

The Clerk reported that the Council had received confirmation from Mr Ron Williams, North Wales Rambling Association, that he had no objections to this procedure.

79/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

 A)
 Ref:
 062437

 Proposal:
 Proposed Extension and partial refurb to Melin y Wern

 Location:
 Melin Y Wern, Nannerch, Flintshire, CH7 5RH

RESOLVED:

That the council does not support the application due to the development that had been undertaken to date without planning consent or approval from appropriate bodies.

That the application be determined by the Planning Authority, Full Planning Committee.

В)	<u>Ref:</u>	062096
	Proposal:	Replacement of existing septic tank with foul water treatment
		plant.
	Location:	The Ridings Caravan Park Babell, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PZ

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections subject the proposed scale of development, being in keeping with the existing capacity for the site.

C)Ref:062292Proposal:Erection of double garageLocation:Nampara, Babell Road, Pantasaph, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PP

RESOLVED:

That the Planning Authority be advised that an existing underground surface water culvert passes through the proposed development site.

 D)
 Ref: Proposal:
 062487

 Proposal:
 Proposed Single Storey extension to provide additional living accommodation

 Location:
 Heron Lodge, The Fisheries, Ysceifiog, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 5UW

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections.

E) 062146

Application for lawful development certificate for the proposed siting of static caravan within garden. Fron Cottage, Babell, CH8 8QD

Members reported that this application had been withdrawn by the Planning Authority, as the proposed development did not require planning approval.

RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent to the Planning Authority seeking further clarification on this matter.

F) Hendy, Babell

It was reported that a static caravan had been sited at the above property.

RESOLVED:

That the Planning Authority be advised of the above information ensuring that appropriate approval is in place.

80/21 PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION - PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT RACECOURSE POULTRY FARM BABELL

Acorus Rural Property Services Ltd had written to the Council advising of the proposed re- development and expansion of the existing poultry production facility.

Members reported that they had considered the proposals and hoped the proposed updated buildings and management of the facility may help to reduce any environmental impact on the neighbouring community.

Members noted that no information had been provided on how the existing facility would be decommissioned. Or on the construction method for the new build.

RESOLVED:

That a request be made that a Method and Impact Statement be provided for the de-commissioning and re-construction of the facility.

81/21 FIBRE BROADBAND SERVICES, BABELL

Further to minute 67/21 the Clerk reported that Hannah Blythyn A.M. had provided a response she had obtained from Openreach on behalf of the Council. Whilst the information provided did not present any short term solutions. Hannah had made an offer to continue to assist to pursue the infrastructure improvements in the Babell community.

Councillor T. Jones reported that he had attended a meeting with a Senior Engineer of Openreach. A commitment had been made to undertake an in depth survey as to the existing infrastructure and required improvements within the community. A further report would be provide in the near future.

82/21 COMMUNITY POLICING REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

PCSO Conner Freel had written to the Council, advising that the Chief Inspector, for South Flintshire, had communicated to County Members, that plans were being introduced on how to contact North Wales Police and other agencies, which may be more appropriate to provide assistance.

Conner also advised that Community Crime Reports , will no longer be provided. However, crime reports for given communities, can be accessed via the Police UK website. Members voiced their concern that it appeared that these actions would reduce further, the presence and assurance of community policing in rural communities. The removal of the Crime Report, was particular disappointing as it enabled Members to help identify any criminal trends that may be occurring in neighbouring communities.

RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent to the Chief Inspector, advising of the council's concerns.

83/21 PUBLIC FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

The following public footpath issues were reported :-

Pantgwyn Bach, Mynydd Llan, Babell- Stile broken and foot bridge in need of footgrips.

Truly Cottage, Babell -2 stiles missing and foot bridge in need of repair.

Councillor T. Jones reported Flintshire County Council, were considering allocating funding to undertake the development of a cycle -way to the former railway line from Mold to Rhydymwyn.

84/21 PROVISION OF PERIPATETIC BANKING POSTAL SERVICES LIXWM

Members reported that a peripatetic Postal / Banking Services was currently being provided by the Post Office. The services was being delivered one visit per week to the communities of Rhydymwyn, Cilcain and Nannerch.

Members concurred that such a service would be very helpful for the community of Lixwm. Councillor T. Jones agreed to investigate the proposal and report back to the council.

84/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -			
1242) Green Lion Insights Web hosting Fees (L.G.A. 1972s112)	£241.45		
1243) A. Roberts Clerk's salary (L.G.A.1972s112,131)	£1,104.95		
1244) Scottish Power - Energy Charges (P.C.A.1957s111)	£48.26		
1245) Deeco Lighting – Lighting maintenance and repairs (P.C.A.1957s111)	£2,100.00		

72/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 8.30pm.

CHAIRMAN

7.

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 19th April 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor J. I. Davies Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor A. Rowlands Councillor D. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

Before the commencement of the meeting the Chairman, Councillor P. Griffiths requested Members to hold a minutes silence in respect of the late HRH Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh.

86/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None were declared with respect of the business on the meeting agenda.

87/21 <u>MINUTES.</u>

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 15th March 2021 were approved as a correct record.

88/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services:-

Bryn Sion Hill, Babell.- Former quarry entrance, fly tipping of asbestos.

Provision of dog fouling signs Lixwm.

Public Footpath Inspection and Maintenance. Members reported that there were still several outstanding repairs despite the faults being reported some months ago. The Clerk was instructed to make further enquires with the Rights of Way Department, seeking further information as to how reported repairs are rectified.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk would report the above matters.

89/21 PROVISION OF PUBLIC NOTICE BOARDS

The Clerk reported that with the assistance of Mr Neil Hickie, Streetscene Services. The erection of the Public Notice Boards at Lixwm and Babell had been completed. Following ongoing repairs to the boundary of Ysceifiog Play Area, the remaining notice board had been erected.

The Clerk further reported that he had obtained estimates of cost for the replacement of the two remaining notice boards ay Mynydd Llan, Babell and Bryn Tirion, Lixwm.

The Chairman thanked Mr Neil Hickie Streetscene Services, for his kind assistance for the work he had undertaken in the project.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk place the order for the provision of two notice boards. That a letter of thanks be sent to Mr N. Hickie.

90/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A)	<u>Ref:</u>	062503
	Proposal:	Demolition of conservatory and construction of single storey extension to provide En suite and dressing room.
	Location:	Anwylfa, Berthen Road, Lixwm, Holywell, CH8 8LT, Flintshire, CH7 5RH
B)	<u>Ref:</u> Proposal:	062507 Construction of first floor extension for Living Room and alterations
	Location:	and improvements to the ground floor Kitchen/Family/Room. Anwylfa, Berthen Road, Lixwm, Holywell, CH8 8LT, Flintshire, CH7 5RH

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections to the above two applications.

91/21 FIBRE BROADBAND SERVICES, BABELL

Further to minute 81/21 the Clerk reported that Rob Roberts M.P. Delyn Area. had provided a response that had been provided by Openreach.

The information provided average broadband speeds for Delyn and Wales: and that he was committed to improving the services for the whole area of Delyn. Mr Roberts had also advised that he had written to the Managing Director of Strategic Infrastructure Development at BT Openreach requesting details of any planned or ongoing infrastructure improvements in the Babell areas, and associated timescales for any such works.

Members advised that whilst the information was of interest it did not assist with immediate improvement required to the current services being provided in the community of Babell.

RESOLVED:

That a further letter be sent to Mr Roberts requesting that any information that is received from Openreach on this matter is shared with the council.

92/21 PROVISION OF PERIPATETIC BANKING POSTAL SERVICES LIXWM

Further to minute No 84/21: Peripatetic Postal / Banking Services was currently being provided by the Post Office. The services was being delivered one visit per week to the communities of Rhydymwyn, Cilcain and Nannerch. Members concurred that such a service would be very helpful for the community of Lixwm. Councillor T. Jones agreed to investigate the proposal and report back to the council.

Councillor Jones had obtained information on the service , copy of which had been provided to all members of the council.

Following receipt of the information Councillor J. I. Davies advised that with the assistance of his daughter, this item had been posed on the Lixwm Facebook page. 66 residents had responded advising that they would support the services if provide.

Councillor Jones further advised that the peripatetic postal services was a limited service that had been reduced due to the current COVID-19 epidemic. However, the current schedule was being evaluated that may provide an opportunity the inclusion of additional communities.

The Chairman thanked councillor J. I. Davies and his daughter for their assistance in this matter.

93/21 REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Councillor T. Jones reported that he and Councillor A. Rowlands, members of Caerwys Town Council, had attended a meeting with Flintshire County Council, Highways Officers. The purpose of the meeting was to look at the Joint Highway Safety Audit Report, that had been undertaken.

Councillor Jones advised that the report had been well received by the Officers and that it would be further considered for submission for future Welsh Government funding grants.

Councillor A. Rowlands advised that she had attended a meeting of the Lixwm/Caerwys School Governing Body. A community consultation was being conducted for choosing a name for the newly formed federation.

The Chairman thanked the members for their attendance and reports.

94/21 PEN YR ALLT, YSCEIFIOG -SITING OF STATIC CARAVAN AND NOISE DISTURBANCE FROM DOMESTIC GEESE

The council had received the above complaint from Mr K. Fricker No 4 Bryn Heulog, Ysceifiog.

Members reported that the siting of a static caravan was permitted providing it was not being used for accommodation.

With regard to noise disturbance this would be best dealt with by the Public Health Department, Flintshire County Council.

RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent to Mr Fricker advising him of the above.

95/21 INTERNAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021

The Clerk reported that JDH Business Services Ltd the council's appointed internal auditor would complete the year end audit on the 22nd April 2021. In preparation for the audit the Clerk had completed the Annual Return Report and Accounting Statements for Members consideration and approval.

The Clerk further advised that he would present the findings of the Internal Audit at the May meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED:

That the Annual Return Report and Accounting Statements were approved.

96/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

1246)	A. Roberts	Clerk's salary		£825.62
	(L.G.A.1972s1	12,131)		
1247)	H.M.Revenue (L.G.A.1972s1		PAYE	£83.93

1248)	A. Roberts M (L.G.A. 1972s 111)	licrosoft 365 Subscription Fees	£135.36
1249)	Shaw & Sons Ltd (L.G.A. 1972s 111)		£78.00
1250)	Notice Board Cor (L.G.A.1972. S14	mpany UK LTD – Supply of 3No Notice Boards 4)	£3,531.60
1251)	One Voice Wales	s – Membership Fees	£188.00
	(L.G.A.1972s140,	,111)	

97/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 8.30pm.

CHAIRMAN

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YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held virtually 17th May 2021: To be approved by the council at its next meeting, scheduled for 21st June 2021.

PRESENT:

- **Councillor P. Griffiths**
- Councillor J. I. Davies: Chairman
- **Councillor N.M. Davies**
- Councillor T. Jones
- **Councillor I. Kendrick**
- Councillor A. Parsley
- **Councillor A. Rowlands**
- Councillor D. Williams
- **Councillor W. Williams**

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

01/21 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN.

Proposed by Councillor P. Griffiths and seconded by Councillor T. Jones, Councillor J. I. Davies was unanimously appointed as Chairman for the ensuing year. Councillor J. I Davies thanked the retiring Chairman Councillor P. Griffiths for the past unprecedented, 2 years' service, as Chairman due to the COVID 19 epidemic. The epidemic had presented the council with many new challenges which he had steered the council through with drive and determination.

02/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Councillor P. Griffiths declared in an interest in respect of item 7. A Planning Application 062806.

03/23 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN.

Proposed by Councillor T. Jones and seconded by Councillor A. Parsley Councillor N. M. Davies was unanimously appointed as Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

04/21 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ONTO OUTSIDE BODIES AND SUB COMMITTEES

RESOLVED:

That the representative list for 2020/21 be approved for the ensuing year, with an amendment, that Councillor A. Rowlands replace Councillor B. McLaren as the Lixwm School Governor Representative.

05/21 <u>MINUTES.</u>

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 19th April 2021 were approved as a correct record.

06/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services: -

Bryn Sion Hill, Babell. - Forma quarry entrance, fly tipping of asbestos – The council had received a response advising that the fly tipping location could not be located. Councillor A. Rowlands agreed to meet with the Officer.

Provision of replacement dog fouling signs Lixwm – No progress had been made on this request due to procurement problem.

Public Footpath Inspection and Maintenance. Members reported that there were still several outstanding repairs despite the faults being reported some months ago. The Clerk was instructed to make further enquires with the Rights of Way Department, seeking further information as to how reported repairs are rectified.

A response had been received from the Rights of Way Officer: advising that due to resources, repairs were taking longer than normal. However, all reported issues were recorded on the maintenance data base. The officer also advised that the repair to styles rests with the landowner. The authority does provide styles to farmers who undertake the erection of.

Members reported their frustration, at the length of time repairs are undertaken, especially during the usage of the public footpaths during Government COVID 19 restrictions: -

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk raise the issue of resources with the Welsh Assembly Area Members. That a site meeting be requested with the Rights of Way Officer, with a view of highlighting some local issues and establishing a working method on how to progress future repairs.

07/21 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021 FOR COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS SECTOR

Members have received a copy of Summery Report, of the Act and notes provided by the Clerk.

Members considered the report that the Clerk had prepared, advising of the implications the Act, would have on council procedures in the future.

It was agreed that the council would work towards implementing the requirements, of the Act within its current resources.

Councillor P. Griffiths noted that the Act required councils to establish and record training action plans for Members and staff.

It was agreed that this item would be placed on council future agendas.

08/21 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO CHURCH OR CHAPELS.

The Council has received guidance from the National Association of Local Councils, on the interpretation of current legislation. As to whether a Community Council may provide financial assistance to the church (or other religious bodies) Attached for Members information is a copy of the information received setting out the current relevant legislation, which needs to be considered when approving financial assistants to religious bodies.

Members will note that the powers in the 1894 Act prohibit council's involvement in property relating to the affairs of the church e.g., the maintenance or improvement in property relating to the affairs of the church.

The guidance also provides examples of legislation which may have been used by councils in the past to make such payments: and the rational why these powers are deemed inappropriate or overridden by the 1894 Act.

The summary of the guidance recommends that councils should be mindful of the current legal legislation interpretation: And consider whether it is prudent to take a course of action that it cannot be certain is legally valid.

Members consider the information received, reporting that such facilities were an integral part of many communities, providing valuable assets to community life. Members further reported that financial contributions, made by councils ensured the long-term viability of cemetery provision within communities.

RESOLVED:

That letter be sent to the Church and Chapel Bodies, within the community advising of the information the council has received: And that any future payments will be deferred until such time that the council has received further clarification on this matter.

That a request be made to Mr R. Roberts MP and H. Blythyn A.M. seeking their assistance in obtaining further information as to the progression of a Judicial Review on this matter that had been referred to in the correspondence that had been received.

09/21 PANT Y PWLL DWR QUARRY LIAISON COMMITTEE

Correspondence has been received from the Planning Minerals Officer, Flintshire County Council: advising of the re-commencement of the liaison committee. Virtual meetings of the committee would be held in June and December. Members welcomed the information and looked forward to receiving an invitation in the future.

10/21 MATCH FUNDING SCHEME – IMPROVEMENTS TO CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS 2021/22

Flintshire County Council has written to the council advising that a condition survey for Ysceifiog Play Area, has been commissioned by Aura Play Unit Manager, who manage the maintenance of the county play facilities. Whilst no major defects have been identified, there were several minor defects mostly due to usage and age of the facility which need addressing.

The Clerk advised that by agreeing to participate in this year's match funding programme, it may provide an opportunity for the council to address these issues in a cost-efficient way.

Members agreed to participate in the scheme, requesting that a programme of works and costings be provided for the council's further consideration.

11/21 COMMUNITY POLICING REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

PCSO Conner Freel had written to the Council, advising that he was able to meet representatives of the community and undertake a walk-about to look at any policing issues that may be included on the policing patrol plans in the future. Councillor A. Parsley advised that there is a continuing problem of vehicles being parked within restricted parking zones outside Lixwm school. Councillor A. Rowlands agreed to report this to PCSO Conner Freel.

12/21 INTERNAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021.

JDH. Business Services Ltd the Council's appointed Internal Auditor had written to the Council confirming that the yearend audit had been concluded and approved.

A report of Recommendations made by the auditor was reported to members by the Clerk.

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations made by the auditor were approved and would be undertaken by the Council.

13/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

<u>Ref:</u>	062806
Proposal:	Proposed replacement windows and doors. Single storey rear extension and first floor side extension and associated alterations.
Location:	11 Bryn Cerrig, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PF
RESOLVED :	That the council had no objections
<u>Ref:</u>	062768
Proposal:	Proposed rear single storey extension.
Location:	32 Maes Y Goran, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8LX
RESOLVED:	That the council had no objections
<u>Ref:</u> Proposal Location	062255 Demolition and erection of new Poultry Buildings and Associated Infrastructure. Racecourse Poultry Farm, Babell Road, Pantasaph, Holywell, CH8
Location	8PW
<u>RESOLVED:</u>	That the council has concerns that the information provided within the Environmental Impact Statement, did not provide sufficient information on how to minimise, the potential impact the dismantling and clearance of the existing site will have on adjacent residents. 5.

Poultry effluent from the existing farm, is currently being deposited some 75 meters away on farmers land, adjacent to existing dwellings: Causing environmental impact to those dwellings. Measures to ensure that this practice is restricted, should be include within the planning consent.

14/21 REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Councillor A. Rowlands advised that she had attended a meeting of the Lixwm/Caerwys School Governing Body. A community consultation was being conducted for choosing a name for the newly formed federation. The joint Governing Body would consist of 19 Governors.

Councillor T. Jones reported that Highway Officers, were still considering several suggested pedestrian safety proposals at Caerwys and Lixwm.

A scheme to alleviate highway surface water flooding near Nampara, Babell Road, was being undertaken by the Highway Authority.

The Chairman thanked the members for their attendance and reports.

15/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

1252)	JDH Business Services Ltd – Audit Fees (L.G.A. 1972s112)	£191.52
1253)	Came & Company – Insurance Renewal (L.G.A.1972, s111)	£1,202.65
1254)	A. Roberts Clerk's salary (L.G.A.1972s112,131)	£747.34
1255)	H.M. Revenue & Customs PAYE (L.G.A.1972s112)	£203.05
1256)	S Jones Business Solutions Ltd – Payroll Fees (L.G.A.1972s112)	£123.64

1257)	Canuk Ltd – Copy Fees (L.G.A.1972s111)	£33.64
1258)	Society of Local Council Clerks – Membership Subscription (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£92.50
1259)	Canon Uk Ltd - Copy Fees (L.G.A.1972s111)	£6.45
1260)	Green Lion Insights and Solutions – Go ToMeeting Fees (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£54.00

16/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 09.10 pm.

CHAIRMAN

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

<u>2021 -2022</u>

Parochial and Planning Committee	All Members of the Council
	to be notified of meeting.
Pant-Y-Pwll Dwr Quarry Liaison Committee	Councillor J. I. Davies
Halkyn Common Joint Consultative Board	Councillor N. Davies
Lixwm C.P. School Governors	Councillor A. Rowlands
Aberdo Quarry Liaison Committee	Councillor J. I. Davies
One Voice Wales	Councillor T. Jones
	Councillor P. Griffiths
Flintshire County Council Forum	Councillor's T. Jones N. Davies P. Griffiths
Flintshire Local Access Forum	Councillor A. Rowlands
North Wales Police	Councillor D. Williams
Holywell Town Council	Councillor A. Parsley
Local Council Forum	Councillor T. Jones
	Councillor D. Williams

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 21st June 2021. <u>PRESENT:</u> Councillor J. I. Davies: Chairman Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor T. Jones Councillor A. Parsley Councillor A. Rowlands Councillor D. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor W. Williams

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

17/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Councillor P. Griffiths declared an interest in respect of item 7. G Planning Application 062806. Councillors J. I Davies and N. M Davies declared an interest in item 7.C Applications 062828 and 062829.

18/21 <u>MINUTES.</u>

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held virtual on 17th May 2021 were approved as a correct record.

19/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services: -

Grass verge cutting at road junctions Ysceifiog road to Lixwm road and Wheeler Hill, Lixwm junction to Mold – Denbigh Road.

Councillor N. M Davies reported that the road surface at Wheeler Hill, Lixwm had been resurfaced much improving the condition of the road.

20/21 PUBLIC FOOTPATHS - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

Further to minute No 06/21 Public Rights of Way Officers had agreed to attend site meetings to look at some of the reported issues. However, before doing so it would be helpful if the locations of the issues could be reported to assist Offers investigations.

It was agreed that the Clerk would liaise with Councillors A. Rowlands and N. M Davies on this matter and a site meeting be arranged.

A response had been received from H. Blythyn A.M. advising that following making enquires with the deputy minister for Climate Change, she had been advised that an additional £74,000 had been awarded to Flintshire County Council for the maintenance of rights of way.

A letter had been sent to Flintshire County Council seeking confirmation on how this funding was to be expended.

21/21 WALKING AND CYCLING IN FLINTSHIRE – CONSULTATION

The council had received an invitation from the Transport Strategy Officer, Flintshire County Council, to participate in a consultation on journeys undertaken by foot or cycle across Flintshire.

Residents were being asked to make comments on existing or proposed improvements by way of logging on to an interactive mapping system. The information received would be used to model future improvements and strategy. Councillor Rowlands advised that she had looked at the mapping system and that several comments had been made and encouraged fellow members to also visit the site and make comments.

22/21 NOTIFICATION OF REMOTE TRAINING EVENTS JUNE 2021

One Voice Wales had written to the council advising of the training programme being held virtual during June. The Clerk reminded members that the Wales Act required councils to publish training records for members and staff from 2022 onwards.

The Clerk further advised that whilst the training topics were extensive, they fell into several themes which some members may find of interest or have knowledge of. It was agreed that the Clerk would prepare a paper setting out the training themes for members further consideration.

23/21 A55 EWLOE TO CAERWYS – AND PROPOSED NORTHOP CLIMBING LANE -CONSULTATION

The council had received an invitation to participate in the consultation on proposed provision of a climbing lane at Northop: And seeking observations on the existing A55 road from Ewloe to Caerwys Junction.

Members considered the information received and agreed that subject to seeing the final details the council would support the proposed provision of a climbing lane. However, the scheme should retain the existing junctions at the Travel Lodge and Halkyn and provide a cycle lane between the above both junctions.

24/21 APPLICATION BY LIVERPOOL BAY CCS LTD FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE HYNET NORTHWEST CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE

The council has received Notice of a Scoping Consultation for the above proposed development. Councillor T. Jones advised that the proposed scheme will be converting the existing pipeline running across Flintshire from Deeside exiting at a storage facility at the point of Ayr.

25/21 SUMMER PLAY SCHEME 2021

Mrs J. Roberts Summer Play Scheme, Manager, Flintshire County Council, had written to the council advising this year's scheme will be taking place for 3 weeks at Lixwm, Recreation Ground, from Monday 19th July – Friday 6th August 2.00 – 4.00 PM Monday to Friday.

The scheme will be compliant with Welsh Government COVID-19 restrictions requiring attendances to pre-register.

26/21 FFLECSI SERVICES HOLYWELL AND WEST

Sarah Blake Public Transport Officer, Flintshire County Council, had written to the council advising that the new services were being rolled out during July replacing the LT1, 2 and 3 bus services.

The services will provide a pre-bookable service linking journeys from remote regions to an existing commercial service.

Members expressed concerns as to how well the information will be distributed to rural communities and by what means of communication.

27/21 REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Councillor J. I Davies reported on the Pant Y Pwll Dwr Quarry liaison meeting he had attended.

28/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A) <u>Ref: 062805</u>

Proposal:

Change of highway access serving dwelling and caravan and camping park to be altered with the provision of vehicle pull-in.

Location:

The Ridings Caravan Park, Babell, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PZ

RESOLVED:

The council objects to this application.

That the application details received required further clarification as the application is for development to an existing field entrance which is used for domestic use not the entrance to the caravan site land.

B) <u>Ref: 062906</u>

Proposal:

Application for variation of Condition 4 (Hours of Operation) of permission reference 059487 to allow for the operation of the Asphalt Plant (permitted under planning permission 056419) and associated vehicle movements outside of permitted hours on 28 occasions per year.

Location:

Pant Y Pwll Dwr Quarry, Brynford, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8HP

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections.

C) <u>Ref: 062828</u>

Ref: 062829 Listed Building Application Proposal: Proposed Alterations and Extension. Location: Llwyn Tew, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8NQ

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections subject to that the existing Public Footpath is not impeded as part of the development.

D) <u>Ref: 062961</u>

<u>Proposal:</u> Erection of a storage shed. <u>Location:</u> Craig Heulog, Ffordd Walwen, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8LU

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections subject to a condition being placed on the development that it is not used for commercial or business use as the development is in a residential area.

E) <u>Ref: 062932</u>

<u>Proposal:</u> Erection of a two-storey extension to rear and side elevations. <u>Location:</u> Rock View, Babell, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PP

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections: subject to no encroachment onto the existing adjacent Registered Common Land.

F) <u>Ref:063022</u>

Proposal:

Demolition of an existing dwelling and outbuildings and construction of a replacement eco-house dwelling and agricultural outbuilding <u>Location:</u> Hendy Farm, Babell, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PZ

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections.

G) <u>Ref:</u>062806

Proposal:

Proposed replacement windows and doors. Single storey rear extension and first floor side extension and associated alterations.

Location:

11 Bryn Cerrig, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PF **RESOLVED:**

That the council had no objections subject to the development being in- keeping with the existing development and that existing privacy is maintained.

29/21 RECORDING OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND TARGETS SET BY THE COUNCIL

Further to minute item 07/21 the Clerk reported that the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021: Required the council to publish an end of year public report setting out the targets and achievements of the council for 2021. By way of preparation of the annual report members had agreed to record any such achievements that could be considered for inclusion. Members reported the following items:

- A) Provision of Summer Playscheme 2021
- B) Completion of energy saving scheme upgrading of all existing street lighting to LED's.
- C) Completion of replacement public notice boards.
- D) Improvement of Children's Play Facilities

30/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -					
1261)	A. Roberts	Clerk's salary		£747.34	
	(L.G.A.1972s1	12,131)			
1262)	H.M. Revenue	& Customs	PAYE	£203.05	

(L.G.A.1972s112)

31/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 09.00 pm.

CHAIRMAN

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 19th July 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor J. I. Davies: Chairman Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor D. Williams Councillor W. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor B. McLaren Councillor A. Rowlands

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

32/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

None were declared in respect of business of the council.

33/21 <u>MINUTES.</u>

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 21st June 2021 were approved as a correct record.

34/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Members reported the following items requiring attention by Streetscene Services: -

Grass verge and hedge cutting at road junctions Ysceifiog road to Lixwm road and Wheeler Hill, Lixwm junction to Mold – Denbigh Road.

Bryn Sion Road Babell – The Clerk reported that Mr N Hickey had inspected the site reported asbestos fly tipping. The land was not in the ownership of Flintshire County Council and was unable to assist in this matter.

Councillor J. I Davies advised that he make some enquiries with a local land owner to establish who may be the owner of the land being fly tipped on.

35/21 PUBLIC FOOTPATHS – MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

The council had received a Public Footpath Condition Survey Report, on paths within the community of Lixwm. The survey had been undertaken by the Ramblers Association. The Clerk reported that he had spoken with Mr R. Williams of the Ramblers Association who had advised that the report had been sent to the Public Rights Way Department, Flintshire County Council and was awaiting a response. Members thanked Mr R. Williams for undertaking the survey and agreed that the council make further enquires with the Rights of Way Department, as to what considerations are being given to the report.

36/21 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor T. Jones reported the following :

The Post Office Counters, peripatetic mobile banking service at present had no additional capacity to provide a banking service at Lixwm. The service was under review and further information would be provided in the future.

Appointments for Lixwm and Caerwys new School Governing Body had been finalized consisting of 19 Governors. It was anticipated that the first formal meeting of the body would take place in September 2021.

37/21 PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY FROM FFORDD GLEDLOM TO FFYNNON -Y- CYFF LIXWM DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2015

Further to Minute No 78/21. Mr R. Williams of the Ramblers Association had provided the council with a copy of the Associations response that had been made to the Planning Inspector.

38/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A) <u>Ref: 063061</u>

Proposal:

Erection of prefabricated holiday lodge with associated enabling works for services and access track.

Location:

The Ridings Caravan Park, Babell, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PZ

RESOLVED:

The council objects to this application.

The council considers that this type of proposed development has been applied for previously and has been recently refused by the Planning Authority.

The council considers that this amounts to be development in the open countryside and is not permitted development under current Planning Policy.

The council considers that the applicant is seeking to expand the business by means of a peace-meal approach, rejecting the Planning Authority, previous decisions that no further expansion is permissible.

B) <u>Ref: 063092</u>

Proposal:

Proposed pitched roof over kitchen to replace the existing flat roof. <u>Location:</u> Anwylfa, Berthen Road, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8LT

RESOLVED:

That the council has no objections.

C) Craig Heulog, Ffordd Walwen, Lixwm, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8LU

Members reported that residents had raised concerns that the above property was being used as base for running a commercial business. Noise disturbance and the burning of commercial waste was impacting on adjacent resident's wellbeing.

RESOLVED :

That this matter be brought to the attention of the Planning Authority, seeking clarification that appropriate planning consents are in place for such activities.

39/21 PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS TREE LIXWM DECEMBER 2021

Councillor I. Kendrick reported that she had inspected the Christmas trees available form a local supplier, but unfortunately none were large enough. She further advised that she had contacted Hawarden Estates, who had confirmed that they had suitable trees available.

The Chairman advised that he would contact the supplier of last year's tree and confirm availability and cost for consideration by the council at its September meeting.

The Clerk reported that he has booked Mega-Electrical for the erection and removal of the festoon lighting for Friday 3rd December and removal 10th January 2022.

40/21 INSTALLATION OF SOLAR STREET LIGHT FFORDD WALWEN LIXWM

Resulting from an underground cabling fault, a street light at Ffordd Walwen, Lixwm had not been operative for some considerable time.

The council's lighting engineer had advised that he could provide without cost, a solar powered light as a replacement on a 6-month trial bases.

Following consultation with the charman the solar light has been installed.

41/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT. RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

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1263)	A. Roberts Clerk's salary	£747.34
	(L.G.A.1972s112,131)	
1264)	H.M. Revenue & Customs PAYE	£203.05
	(L.G.A.1972s112)	
1265)	Norton P.C. Anti-Virus Subscription	£52.05
	(L.G.A. 1972s111)	
1266)	Canon UK Ltd – Copy Fees	£6.52
	(L.G.A. 1972s111)	
1267)	Treetops Environmental – Grass cutting Lixwm	£65.00
	(L.G.A. 1972, s14p.27)	
1268)	A Roberts – Clerk's Salary 16/08/2021	£747.34
	(L.G.A.1972s112,131)	
1269)	H.M. Revenue & Customs PAYE 16/08/2021	£203.05
	(L.G.A.1972s112)	

42/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 08.40 pm.

<u>CHAIRMAN</u>

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 13th September 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor J. I. Davies: Chairman Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor D. Williams Councillor W. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor B. McLaren Councillor A. Rowlands

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Roberts - Clerk to the Council

43/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

None were declared in respect of business of the council.

44/21 <u>MINUTES.</u>

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 19th July 2021 were approved as a correct record.

45/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Councillor W. Williams advised that the waste and re-cycling service being provided was currently very efficient and reliable.

Councillor T Jones reported that the services were experiencing problems of retaining Heavy Goods Vehicle drivers which may cause some disruption to the level of services in the future.

46/21 PUBLIC FOOTPATHS LIXWM – MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

Further to minute No 35/21 the Clerk reported that the Council had received a response from the Public Rights of Way Officer, Flintshire County Council. Following receipt of the Footpath Condition Survey Report, Officers had undertaken a site inspection of the issues being reported.

The Officer further reported that discussions had taken place with land owners and agreement reached to resolve many of the issues.

The outstanding general maintenance issues had been placed on the council winter repairs programme.

Members were pleased to learn of the positive actions being undertaken on this matter and requested that a copy of the response be sent to the Ramblers Association.

47/21 CRAIG HEULOG, FFORDD WALWEN, LIXWM – BUSINESS USE OF PROPERTY

Further to minute No 38/21 C the property owner had contacted the council to explain the ongoing development work at his property. He confirmed that the property was not being used for a business use. Whilst he was mindful of the disturbance being caused to adjacent residents during the ongoing development work at the property, he was in discussion with neighbours to reduce any impact and disturbance.

Members were pleased to learn that the resident had contacted the council and that communication was ongoing between adjacent residents and that a letter of thanks be sent to the resident.

48/21 PANT BACH, LIXWM -FLOODING OF PROPERTY

Councillor N. M Davies reported that during the recent heavy rain period the above property had been flooded by a back serge of foul water. Welsh water had accepted responsibility for insurance purpose.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to Welsh Water seeking immediate action to resolve the drainage issue.

49/21 PERIPATETIC MOBILE POSTAL BANKING SERVICES – LIXWM

Confirmation had been received from the Post Office, Networks Provision Lead, that the mobile postal banking services would be operating at Lixwm. The services would commence each Friday from the 10th September 2021 located adjacent to the Crown Inn, between 11.20 and 11.50 AM. Members thanked Councillor T Jones for his assistance in securing these services.

50/21 REVIEW OF THE REMUNERATION FRAMEWORK FOR COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS

Members have received a copy of the consultation paper setting out the proposals.

RESOLVED:

That the information be received.

51/21 LICENCING ACT 2003: STATEMENT OF LICENCING POLICY CONSULTATION.

The Licensing Authority Flintshire County Council had written to the council advising that the above policy was being reviewed in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003.

Copy of the draft policy has been sent to all members of the council.

RESOLVED:

That the information be received.

52/21 MULTI LOCATION MEETINGS

Welsh Government had issued a briefing note setting out guidance for local councils in Wales. It provides information, on how to support wider accessibility to council proceedings in line with the provisions within Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

Councillor A Parsley reported that he and the Clerk had looked at the IT facilities at Ysceifiog Village Hall. Councillor Parsley had used his personal IT equipment and had found that Hybrid meetings could be accommodated at the hall.

The Clerk advised that currently the council did not own the IT equipment required to operate a hybrid meeting from a remote setting. Whilst the majority of

Community Councils in Wales are in similar circumstances, the Welsh Government have advised that a further update and guidance to Section 48 (47) Participation at Meetings of Community Council, will be issued in the autumn.

The Clerk further advised that in accordance with the Act, the Council will need to amend its Standing Orders to reflect the hybrid meetings arrangements.

53/21 STREET NAMING SURVEY B5121, LIXWM CH8 8NQ

Flintshire County Council had written to residents within the above post code area undertaking a survey. Residents were being asked to report any postal delivery difficulties in locating properties and whether they feel that a street name (Village Road) should be provided or not.

The Clerk reported that the closing date for the survey was the 19th August 2021 and that no further information had been received from the Planning Authority. It was agreed that a request be sent to the Planning Authority for an update as to the outcome of the survey.

54/21 HSBC INTRODUCTION OF BANKING CHARGES FOR COUNCIL ACCOUNTS -NOVEMBER 2021

The Council has been informed that the current conditions for the accounts held by the Council will change attracting banking fees from November 2021. This would be £5.00 per month for each account held together with a 40-p fee for every cheque possessed by the bank.

The Clerk advised that the Council has an online banking facility that allows digital payment to payees. By using this facility this would help reduce the banking fees. The Council agreed to proceed digital or direct debit payments were posable. However, all payment would need to be approved and recorded in the council minutes.

The Clerk further advised that it would be appropriate to update the Council Banking Mandate with HSBC at this time.

55/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A) <u>Ref: 062255</u>

Proposal:

Demolition and erection of new Poultry Buildings and Associated Infrastructure Location:

Racecourse Poultry Farm, Babell Road, Pantasaph, Holywell, Flintshire, CH8 8PW **<u>RESOLVED</u>**:

That a vehicle parking restriction be placed on Babell Road, forbidding Heavy Goods Vehicles accessing the farm from parking on the Highway.

B) <u>Ref: 063334</u>

<u>Proposal:</u>
Erection of a rear single storey extension.
<u>Location:</u>
32 Maes Y Goron, Lixwm, Holywell, CH8 8LX
<u>RESOLVED:</u>
That the council has no objections.

56/21 PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS TREE LIXWM DECEMBER 2021

Further to minute number 39/21 Councillor J. I Davies reported that he had obtained an estimation of cost of £200.00 for the supply, delivery, and erection of a tree up to 5 meter in height.

The Clerk reported that he has booked Mega-Electrical for the erection of the festoon lighting for Friday 3rd December and removal 10th January 2022.

RESOLVED:

That an order be placed for the supply of the tree.

57/21 COMMUNITY POLICING

The Clerk reported that PCSO Cleo Milburn had joined the community policing team with Conner Freel and that she would be introducing herself to members in the near future.

58/21 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Holywell Leisure Centre.

RESOLVED:

That a grant of £1000.00 was approved.

59/21 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2022

In accordance with the audit requirements the Clerk had prepared and presented a six-month budget income and expenditure report for members consideration. The report set out the budgeted expenditure together with actual and anticipated expenditure and income up to the financial yearend.

RESOLVED:

That the report be received.

60/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT. RESOLVED:

That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

(BACS Transfer) A. Roberts Clerk's Salary and Establishment Allowance (L.G.A.1972s112,131)		
1271) H.M. Revenue & Customs PAYE (L.G.A.1972s112)	£203.05	
1272) Canon UK Ltd – Copy Fees (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£33.64	
1273) Viking Direct Ltd Supply of Stationery (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£139.67	

61/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 9.30 pm.

CHAIRMAN

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held virtually 18th October 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor J. I. Davies: Chairman Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor T. Jones Councillor A. Parsley Councillor D. Williams Councillor W. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor I. Kendrick

Councillor B. McLaren Councillor A. Rowlands

<u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u> Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council

62/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Councillor P. Griffiths declared an interest in agenda item 7.A and 7.B Planning Applications.

63/21 MINUTES.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 13th September 2021 were approved as a correct record.

64/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

Councillor T. Jones reported that road surface water was egressing from the highway village road Lixwm, onto resident's driveways causing nuisance and possible flooding issues. A possible solution would be to have the highway kerbs re-set at a higher level.

Councillor P. Griffiths reported that several road gullies are blocked and were in need of cleaning.

Councillor A. Parsley reported that the highway road surface from Ysceifiog to Drovers Tumble, Fisheries Hill, was in a very poor state of repair.

The Finger Post name sign at Groesffordd Crossroads had lost one of the name signs.

Councillor J. I Davies reported that the dog waste bin located by the seat on the road junction to Ffordd Gledlom was missing.

65/21 LIXWM -FLOODING OF PROPERTY

Further to Minute No 48/21 Councillor T. Jones reported that the resident had been contacted by Officers of Welsh Water and an action plan of works to reduce any further incidents of flooding had been agreed and was in the process of being deployed by Welsh Water contractors.

Members were pleased to learn of the agreed actions and hopefully the resolve of the issue to this property.

However, Members reported that over the past years and in recent times during heavy rainfall flooding was not uncommon. Sewerage has very recently been escaping from the main sewer onto agricultural fields in lower Lixwm. It was further reported that there had been an ongoing issue of the capacity of the main sewer pipe servicing Lixwm to the Sewerage Treatment Works on Wheeler Hill.

Members requested that a further letter be sent to Welsh Water seeking a condition and capacity survey of the main sewer drain, given the magnitude of residential development that has taken place within the community since its installation.

66/21 HSBC - UPDATING OF BANKING MANDATE FOR COUNCIL ACCOUNTS

Further to Minute No 54/21 the clerk reported that the following councillors had agreed to continue/ become signatories for the council banking accounts:-

- J. I Davies (Existing)
- A. Rowlands (Existing) N. M Davies
- P. Griffiths
- A Develop
- A. Parsley

The Clerk further reported that the council would save future banking charges by making as many payments as possible by means of BACS, Direct Debit, or Standing Orders.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk was instructed to proceed with the updating of the Banking Mandate with HSBC to include the above signatories and payment methods.

67/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS Ref 063458 and 063459 Melin Y Wern, Nannerch CH7 5RH Proposed Extension and partial refurb.

The plans submitted seek to make significant changes to the building in size and design. The Council request that all reinstatement work identified by Enforcement Offices are completed prior to any new development taking place.

That the decision ensures that the historical and heritage importance of the building is preserved.

The application appears to be for extensive expansion to the original buildings and provide for significant levels of occupation. The site is restricted by its size, availability for parked vehicles and its dangerous access on or off the A541 highway which is shared with its immediate neighbouring property.

Given the above concerns consideration should be given as to the number of vehicles permitted to be parked at any given time.

Given the historical and heritage significance of the proposed development and the potential impact on the existing settlement of Melin y Wern that the application be considered by the Full Planning Committee.

68/21 COMMUNITY POLICING

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting PCSO Conner Freel. Conner provided an update on local community policing issues advising that nothing significant had been reported. An additional Officer had joined the team PCSO Cleo Milburn and would be meeting as many Councils as possible in the coming months.

Conner further reported that he had been working with pupils of Lixwm School, on the design of poster that would help make drivers aware of not parking within the restricted areas outside the school. The poster would be printed onto a banner that would be displayed outside the school.

Members reported that complaints had been received regarding the speed of vehicles traveling through Lixwm. Conner advised that this should be reported to the Go-Safe Team. The Chairman enquired if the community group who had received training on the use and deployment of the speed monitoring gun was still active within the village. The Clerk was asked to contact the group for an update on their availability.

The Chairman and Members thanks Conner for his attendance.

69/21 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A) Ysceifiog Village Hall – Repairs to hall roof.

<u>RESOLVED:</u> That a grant of £2500.00 was approved.

B) Lixwm OAP's Christmas Lunch Club.

<u>RESOLVED:</u> That a grant of £350.00 was approved.

70/21 MATCH FUNDING PROGRAMME CHILDREN'S EQUIPPED PLAY AREA'S 2021/22

Further to Minute No. 10/21 the Council had received the draft proposals from Flintshire County Council for providing an additional item of play equipment at Ysceifiog play area.

The proposal is to remove the existing Basket Ball Goal and replace it with either a See -Saw or All-Inclusive Round-About.

Members considered the information and agreed that the All-Inclusive Round-About be provided.

71/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

	RESOLVED: That the following accounts were approved for payment: -	
1274)	Royal British Legion – Provision of wreath (L.G.A. 1972 Section 137)	£75.00
BACS 1	Fransfer) A. Roberts Clerk's Salary and Establishment Allowance (L.G.A.1972s112,131)	£749.34
1276)	H.M. Revenue & Customs PAYE (L.G.A.1972s112)	£203.05
1277)	Treetops Environmental – Grass Cutting Lixwm (Open Space act 1906, ss.9 and 10)	£65.00
1278)	Holywell Leisure Centre – Grant (L.G.A. 2000,s 2)	£1,000.00
1279)	Delyn Press – Supply of Headed Paper (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£50.40
1280)	Flintshire County Council – Summer Playscheme 2021 (L.G.(MP) A 1976, s. 19)	£1,428.90
1281)	Lixwm OAP's Christmas Lunch Club – Grant (L.G.A. 2000,s 2)	£350.00
1282)	Ysceifiog Village Hall – Grant (L.G.A.1972s.133)	£2,500.00

72/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed at 8.30 pm. Date of next meeting Monday 15th November 2021.

CHAIRMAN

YSCEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED YSCEIFIOG

Minutes of the meeting held 15th November 2021.

PRESENT:

Councillor J. I. Davies: Chairman Councillor P. Griffiths Councillor T. Jones Councillor I. Kendrick Councillor A. Parsley Councillor A. Rowlands Councillor D. Williams

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor N.M. Davies Councillor B. McLaren Councillor W. Williams

<u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u> Mr. A. Roberts – Clerk to the Council

73/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

No declarations of interest were declared by Members in respect of the business of the council.

74/21 MINUTES.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held virtual on 18th October 2021 were approved by the council as a correct record.

75/21 STREETSCENE SERVICES – REPORTED ISSUES

The Clerk reported that Mr N. Hickie Streetscene Area Supervisor, had confirmed that the issues reported in item 64/21 of the October meeting had been addressed or had been included on a future work scheduled. Members reported the following issues:-Two street lights day burning on Lixwm Village Road. Road Bridge, Fisheries Hill, in need of repairs to barriers. Ffordd Gledlom, Lixwm – large pothole in highway in need of repair. Mynydd Llan, Top of Fisheries Hill, Improvements required to vehicle passing layby. Berthen Road Junction, Lixwm – Road direction sign badly faded.

76/21 LIXWM – SEWERAGE NETWORK SYSTEM

Further to Minute No 65/21 the council had received a detailed response from Welsh Water advising of the actions that had been undertaken to deal with recent blockages in the sewerage system.

Regarding the future capacity of the main sewer system. Prior to 2010 Welsh Water was not a statutory consultee on planning applications. During this time 57 additional dwellings were approved by the Planning Authority. However, for all future development in the area Welsh water will have an opportunity to commit on the availability of capacity within the sewerage network.

Councillor T. Jones advised that over the past years and in recent times during heavy rainfall flooding was common caused by road surface water not being able enter the highway drainage gully system.

He made an appeal to members and residents to report such issues to the Highway Authority, in order that maintenance can be undertaken.

77/21 COMMUNITY POLICING

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting PCSO Conner Freel. Conner provided an update on local community policing issues advising that nothing significant had been reported

Conner further reported that he had been collaborating with pupils of Lixwm School, on the design of poster that would help make drivers aware of not parking within the restricted areas outside the school. The poster would be printed onto a banner that would be displayed outside the school.

Members reported that complaints had been received regarding the speed of vehicles traveling through Lixwm. Conner advised that this should be reported to the Go-Safe Team.

The Chairman and Members thanked Conner for his attendance.

78/21 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A) Ysceifiog and Babell Christmas Lunch Club.
 <u>RESOLVED:</u> That a grant of £350.00 was approved.

79/21 REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Councillor A. Rowlands provided a report on the meeting of Lixwm V A School Governors meeting.

Councillor J. I Davies reported that he and the vice Chairman Councillor N. M Davies represented the council at the Services of Remembrance held at St. Mary's Church, Ysceifiog.

Councillor T. Jones provide a report on activities conducted as County Member. Copy of the report attached appendix 1

80/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED: That the following accounts were approved for payment: -

BACS Transfer) A. Roberts Clerk's Salary and Establishment Allowance	£749.34
(L.G.A.1972s112,131)	

1283) Viking Ltd – Supply of Stationery (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£85.01
1284) Canon UK Ltd - Copy Fees (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£6.59
1285) H.M. Revenue & Customs PAYE (L.G.A.1972s112)	£203.05
1286) Canon UK Ltd - Copy Fees (L.G.A. 1972s111)	£33.64
1287) Ysceifiog Village Hall – Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch Club	£350.00

1287) Ysceifiog Village Hall – Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch Club £350.00 (L.G.A.1972s.136)

81/21 DURATION OF THE MEETING.

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and was closed by the Chairman at 8.30 pm. Date of next meeting Monday 17th January 2022.

CHAIRMAN

APPENDIX 1

Cyngor Cymuned – Ysceifiog – Community Council

County Councillors report

November 2021

Councillor Tudor Jones.

- 1. Apologies for crashing out of meeting last month. Wi-Fi problem.
- Remembrance day ceremony at Ysceifiog Cenotaph.
 Many thanks to all who attended. The continuing good turnout is important to the family members of Alan Cochran who lost his life in the Afghanistan conflict.
- 3. Trefechan Road, Planning enforcement visit request by local community members. Had a very open and informative visit to the site where both Forestry and Natural Resources Wales have made positive comments and offered guidance for the care of the woodland and water courses. Planning Officer to visit shortly.
- 4. Notice boards. I can provide the Clerk with bi-lingual notices declaring that all notices posted on YCC notice boards must contain the contact details of the person / group / organisation that display a poster. Anonymous notices are not acceptable. This is a response to the inappropriate notices recently posted.
- 5. Melin Y Wern Planning application. This is a complex application that impacts on neighbouring properties and at a time when there are outstanding enforcement issues to be resolved. My comments are in-line with those provided by YCC in October.
- FCC long term empty houses and holiday homes policy is being reviewed for Council Tax purposes. I am of a mind to have the level of taxation increased for the more than 200 homes which are not accessible for use as a permanent dwelling.
- 7. Pedestrian Safety scheme. This scheme was presented to FCC in 2020 and a great deal of work has been done with several elements put forward for Welsh Government funding. However, I am concerned that a joint Caerwys and Lixwm project is not advancing projects for the Lixwm area. This needs further discussion with FCC.
- A55. There will be major interruptions to the section between J28 and J31 (Caerwys) for resurfacing work the roads will be closed from 15th Nov to 3rd Dec westbound and eastbound. Diversions will be posted.