**ERBISTOCK AND EYTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th September 2019 in Eyton School.

Present. Councillors Evans, Thomas, Pritchard, Cooper, Matthews, Cooke Additionally Mrs. L. Lewis (Clerk)

Apologies. Councillor Blakemore.

A Declaration of Interest

Councillor Pritchard declared an interest as a member of the planning Committee.

Police Matters

Due to leave and late rotas Police unable to attend but informed Clerk beforehand that there were no incidents to report in Erbistock or Eyton.

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Councillor Thomas proposed and Councillor Mathews seconded that they were a true and accurate record. Agreed by all.

Matters Arising

* Although agreed that much of the pothole filling had been completed quickly and some drains cleared there were still some sites requiring work, especially the subsidence along the Plas Golbourne lane.
* Red Telephone Box Regeneration Scheme. The Clerk had researched the possibility of utilising The Box In Erbistock for a defibrillator/notice board but it had proved to be unsuitable for the scheme due to its location( very close to a busy main road) and as the box was grade 2 listed as part of a group listing with The Old Post Office, difficult to relocate. Discussion followed as to the need for a defibrillator covering amongst other things location/cost/maintenance/training/responsibility. It was decided not to pursue the provision of a defibrillator but instead provide CPR training locally. Clerk to research.
* Community Newssheet would need to be delayed until the website could be fully accessible and updated. Ongoing.
* The Boat Inn, application for “late refreshment” had been withdrawn and the alcohol licence to remain until 23.00 hours as before.

Planning Applications

Crymbal, Farm, Crabtree Green. Extension to existing agricultural building. P/2019/0620. There were no objections.

Review

The Council reviewed the Annual Budget for 2019/2020, the Annual risk Assessment, and the effectiveness of the system of Internal Controls and found them to be satisfactory. They re-adopted the Financial Regulations and the Standing Orders.

Income and Expenditure

* It was agreed that the membership fee of £35.00 be paid to One Voice Wales.
* It was noted that the Council would in future be required to pay for the hire of Eyton School premises for all future meetings as requested by The Head Mistress. This would be £20.00 for the first 2 hours (sufficient for a full meeting) and £10 for every subsequent hour. Clerk to arrange payment.

Community Agents

There were no objections to the inclusion of Willington and Worthenbury wards into the Southern Consortia, though it was suggested that Wrexham Council could perhaps release more funds to cover the extra work involved. Councillor Pritchard thought this unlikely especially as such a rural area was unlikely to make much difference to the running costs.

There were no volunteers from the Council members to attend the next Community Stakeholder Meeting on 9th October. Clerk will attend if available.

Casual Vacancy – Co-option of New Councillor

The Clerk reported that the vacancy had been advertised on the two noticeboards and website for the required 2 weeks and that no candidates had come forward. Following that the notice for co-option had been displayed for a further period of time, with no applicants coming forward. It was then unanimously agreed that Mr Charles Barnett be asked to fill the post. The Clerk would write to Mr Barnett.

Correspondence

* Councillor Mathews agreed to attend the FCC Environment community Liaison meeting on Monday 23rd September.
* There was no interest in attending The Mayor’s Ball.
* A brief discussion of possible candidates for The Civic Society Awards failed to produce any nominees.
* A letter of thanks had been received from Jim Wild (former Clerk) thanking the Councillors for his leaving gift.

Any Other Business

* Councillor Cooke expressed concern about the poor state of repair of the footbridge at the bottom of Plas Pen-Y-Bryn. Councillor Pritchard to action repairs as soon as possible.
* Councillor Cooper also expressed concerns over the road edge erosion on the Mill Lane just before The Mill. Councillor Pritchard to look into possible solutions.
1. Date and time of next meeting . This was to be on 9th December 2019

at 7.30 pm. in Eyton School.

Signed as a correct record…………………………….