**ERBISTOCK AND EYTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held Monday 20th September 2021 at 7.30pm**

**At Eyton School**

**Present; - Councillor John Evans (Chairman), Charles Barnett, Glenys Matthews, Robert Blakemore, Vicki Cooper, Sarah Cooke, Chris Thomas, The Clerk and also County Councillor John Pritchard.**

**AGENDA**

1. **Apologies- None**
2. **A declaration of Interest – None**
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 28th June 2021 - These were agreed as a true and correct record, and were signed by the Chairman.**
4. **Matters arising – Councillor Thomas although not happy with the wording on The Notice Board accepted the situation – too expensive to change.**
5. **Crime Figures from Police.uk –The Clerk had not provided the crime figures from Police.uk as usual as it’s anonymised system of reporting did not truly represent the locality. Following contact with the Overton PCSO regarding the Cannabis issue (below) it appeared that Erbistock Community Council had dropped off the radar of the Rhos Police Station. It was agreed that we may be better served both geographically and socially by being part of the Overton area as is Marchwiel. Councillor Pritchard and the Clerk to follow up.**

* **Cannabis Dump – Councillor Cook had reported 15/09/21 that a dump of cannabis waste had been spotted along the lane close to Top Farm, PCSO Sawyer was informed, quickly attended and seized the waste and took it for disposal. He was most helpful in dealing with the situation and an alert was put out via the Police Community alert system.**

1. **Planning Applications – Notifications had previously been circulated for Councillors to comment.**
2. **Rose Hill Lodge P/2021/0245 and 0246 – Granted. The Old Farmhouse, Coed Derwen, Erbistock P/2021/0250 – Pending. The Groves P/2021/0649 – Granted Garth Stewart (Manley Lodge) P/2021/0767 - Pending**
3. **ANNUAL REVIEW of The Budget, Risk Assessment, Effectiveness of The Council’s Internal Controls, Adoption of The Financial Regulations and The Standing Orders.**

**The above documents were all reviewed and agreed to be satisfactory. The budget was discussed at some length, the Clerk having supplied the Councillors with a brief outline of the previous year’s expenses and a running total for 2021/22 with the addition of further potential expenses to the end of the financial year.**

1. **Income and Expenditure**

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| **Bank balances as at 18/11/21** | **£** | **£** |
| **Current account** | **1623.91** |  |
| **Business Money account** | **217.35** |  |
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| **Income**  **Precept Payment (July)** | **500.00** |  |
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| **Payment approved for payment Clerk’s wages for June - September**  **Cheque signed at meeting.**  **.** | **152.88** |  |

1. **County Councillor’s report – Councillor Pritchard reported that the provision of a Notice Board in Eyton was progressing but not finalised. The Cannabis dumping issue could be raised at the next zoom meeting of the South and Rural Police meeting he was due to attend.**

**The garden walls of the Council properties in Eyton were being replaced by a government funding scheme which had much improved their appearance.**

**The drainage work at the Crabtree Green/Eyton crossroads would be undertaken during the autumn half term to minimise disruption.**

**The numerous potholes/drainage issues were discussed and would be highlighted on the annual review with the local highways Officer due to take place shortly.**

1. **Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 - it was agreed that the most appropriate way for the Council to mark the event was to donate a Jubilee cake to the school for the pupils to enjoy. Susan Thomas to be approached as previously by Councillor Matthews. Clerk to contact School.**
2. **Any Other Business**

* **The Chairman highlighted the continuing problem of decorative stones placed too close to the highway and causing a hazard for motorists and cyclists etc. The Council owns at least the first 45cm as part of the public highway.**
* **Councillor Thomas also highlighted the ongoing problem of poor visibility at Cae Gwyrdd due to overgrown verges and other issues. Councillor Pritchard to investigate.**
* **Councillor Pritchard enquired as to interest in becoming a Dementia Friendly Council and if there would be anybody interested in taking part in training and attending meetings. Several Councillors expressed an interest. Councillor Pritchard to put the Council’s name forward as an interested party.**
* **It was agreed to leave the old noticeboard situated on the Village Hall where it is.**
* **The Clerk reported that following a complaint via Councillor Cooper, about the unkempt appearance of the village Hall, the Diocesan Office in St. Asaph had speedily sent a team to tidy up.**

**Date and Time of Next Meeting – Monday 13th December 2021**

**Signed as a true and correct record………………………………………………………………………..**

**Chairman**

**Date…………………………………………………..**