BROUGHTON AND BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held on 19 MARCH 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Sue Stevens

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Officers: Mrs S G Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer

307/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received as per Council meeting.

308/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest pertaining to this committee.

309/18 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 19th February 2019 be received as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

310/18 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were none.

311/18 POLICE MATTERS:

PCSO Steph Jones had submitted her apologies but an incident report had been circulated and that had been noted.

Councillor Sue Stevens said that she had been disappointed at the lack of a police presence at Council meetings for a number of months. A number of members had attended an introductory meeting with PCSO Steph Jones the previous week and had all been impressed by her attitude and professionalism. Steph had also confirmed that she would be in attendance at the April meeting.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

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312/18 HIGHWAYS ISSUES:

Mike Eastwood provided a detailed update on the road safety works that had been scheduled for Broughton Hall Road. The resurfacing and road closures would be completed by Thursday 21st March. Once completed there would be an initial site inspection planned for outside of the school and 20 mph signs, sinusoidal road humps and road markings would then follow using temporary traffic lights to manage the traffic.

18 bollards had been purchased for the problem area on the corner by the co-operative store and would form part of the final works. Mike anticipated that all bus routes would be back to normal by Monday 25th March.

The Clerk and Financial Officer asked Mike to ensure that the contractors acted reasonably when allowing residents and/or carers access to their properties during the period of work to which Mike responded that he spoken to the contractors recently about this.

John Griffiths advised that the road surface at The Boulevard had been included on the list for repair and would be scored against the County matrix in due course.

Mike Eastwood also confirmed that the resurfacing works to the B5125 would commence on Monday 1st April and would be completed during the night shift to alleviate traffic congestion; this was welcomed by Members.

Councillors raised a number of issues for John to include in his work programme including pot holes, trees and resurfacing.

Councillor Phil Griffiths thanked John and the team for the new pavement alongside the B5125 which had been very much welcomed and Councillor Billy Mullin thanked them for the recent work at Lansdown Road, Broughton.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

313/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

IT WAS RESOLVED:

- (a) To formally note that the participation of those Councillors who were also Members of the County Council, in both the debate and subsequent vote, was on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information made available to the Community Council at that time. The County Councillors reserved their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all relevant arguments for and against.
- b) That the County Planning Authority be advised of this Council's observations on the planning application submitted at the meeting as per the attached schedule.
- c) There were no appeals.

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314/18 PLANNING DECISIONS:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the decisions taken by the County Planning Authority be noted.

315/18 COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Councillor Billy Mullin provided an update to members about a recent meeting he had attended at Mancot Village Hall about the proposal from Arriva to withdraw the number 12 and 13 bus services, the lack of bus services to Deeside Industrial Park and the proposed airfield site development that would include housing and schools etc. He also referred to the upcoming event at Galliford Try that Members had been invited too and said that this would provide a good opportunity to raise any issues from Members.

Councillor Mike Lowe provided an update on the police liaison meeting with the new PCSO and a recent OWL Cymru meeting and suggested that Denise Edwards, OWL Cymru and Alan Barker, Broughton Retail Park be invited to attend a future meeting of the Council.

316/18 CLERK'S REPORT:

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised of the following:

- The final report of the Independent Remuneration Panel had been produced in February 2018 and outlined a number of changes for Community and Town Councils that she outlined and provided a timetable for payments etc;
- She had recently attended the Clwyd Branch meeting of the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) during which a very informative presentation had been provided about "bullying" in the sector and the appropriate advice and course of action to take in order to deal with such issues, along with useful updates on the review of Community and Town Councils, Member Allowances and HMRC payments (One Voice Wales had been in negotiations with HMRC to exempt this allowance but no decision had yet been made), Operation London Bridge and the new Audit regime and reports.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

317/18 MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS:

Councillor Billy Mullin provided an update on the management of the CCTV across the County as a result of the CCTV main office being located in Phase 3/4 at County Hall which had been due to be demolished. The County Council had been in negotiation with Wrexham County Borough Council with a view to providing a joint service from Wrexham and transferring the relevant employees over to Wrexham.