

Chairman requested Cllr W Owen Thomas to try and influence the Flintshire's decision to help the two schemes in the Council's area.

Cllr Thomas to make enquiries with Mr Charlton to establish if there is any unspent finance available at the end of the financial year.

Cllr Douglas reported that the temporary road works signs were still up, even though the BT work had been finished for two weeks. Mr I Williams to pursue with BT.

- p81 **Seepage by Bryn Teg (between Coed Du Hall entrance and the Caravan Site)**
Mr Ian Williams reported he had not yet received a reply from NRW. Mr Williams to pursue.
- p81 **Cilcain Toilets** Mrs Sue Jones was requested by the Chair to comment on the door repairs by Flintshire. Mrs Jones explained that Flintshire had undertaken some very rough shaving of the doors last week, but the door was still catching. Mr Williams to inspect the work undertaken. Mr Williams explained that the work around the Village Hall entrance should be commencing in the next few weeks.
- p81 **Street Lighting, A541, Rhydymwyn** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes maintained the lamp by the bus shelter had now been off for approximately six months. The current list was :
(i) opposite bus shelter in Rhydymwyn
(ii) by Coed y Felin entrance
(iii) Tarmac junction - RHS before junction, going towards Hendre.
Flintshire Streetscene to pursue.
- p81 **Pot-holes, Ffordd y Llan, Cilcain** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported the potholes had been done once, but the repairing mix used was poor. The repair work needs re-doing.
- p82 **Mountain Road, Cilcain, ice across carriageway** - Mr Ian Williams indicated remedial work would have to be done again.
- p82 **Overhanging trees Ffordd y Llan / Trial Hill** - Mr Williams reported having spoken to the adjoining landowner for the Berth junction tree. No objections to the tree removal. Mr Williams to arrange. More crown lifting to be undertaken at Ffordd y Llan.
- Cllr W Owen Thomas reported sizeable stone boulders on the carriageway near the top of Trial Hill. Mr Williams to look at the top of the bank to see if the cause of the recent stone fall can be identified.
- p82 **Coed Du to the Caravan Park** - Mr Ian Williams reported that the longitudinal crack was now beyond sealing. The tarmac surfacing would need cutting out to investigate the underlying cause of the crack.
- p82 **Star Crossing / A541 junction** - Signed had been moved back to improve the visibility. The hedge now needs to be substantially cut back. Mr Williams would need to speak to Mr H Williams (Fforrest Farm) to seek permission for top of the hedge to be cut back.

p82 **Gritting routes - cut backs** - Mr Williams reported that the disappeared gritting signs had not been found. Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported one of the yellow salt bins in Nant Alyn had been turned on its side. The bin was in a good condition, but was too heavy to lift back up.

p82 **Noisy manhole cover by the Antelope** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes thanked Mr Williams for arranging for the repair of the clacking manhole cover reported in the January 2016 Council meeting.

p82 **General tidying of grass verges in Rhydymwyn** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes had reported in the Jan 2016 Meeting - encroachment of the grass verge opposite school house where the gas contractor had been working. Cllr Hughes enquired if stone aggregated can be used to tidy the verge at this location. Item can be looked at in the spring walkabout meeting. The other option was for Mr Williams to push the gas utility contractor to undertake the required repair works.

p82 **Rhosesmor Junction, Rhydymwyn** - Mr Ian Williams had reported in the Jan 2016 Meeting - Flintshire's Highway Safety Officer had approved the erection of the sign. A 'concealed entrance' sign is not a standard sign. A standard 'exclamation mark' sign was available, but Mr Williams felt a 'concealed entrance' sign was preferred. Welsh translation being sought for a 'concealed entrance' sign so that a sign can be produced.

Cllr W Owen Thomas reported having received another e-mail from the resident, who made the original complaint. Two further accidents have apparently occurred since the time when the original complaint was made.

p82 **Village walkabout meeting for Cilcain and Rhydymwyn** - Village walkabout to be arranged after the April Council Meeting.

p82 **Trelan highway culvert** - Mr Williams reported having met Cllr J Emyr Davies regarding the Trelan culvert. Cleaning out the culvert would have to be done during the next spell of dry weather, hopefully in May.

p82 **School bus drop off point, Rhydymwyn** - Mr Ian Williams had confirmed in the Jan 2016 Meeting, having passed the concern on to Flintshire's School Transportation Unit.

p82 **Loose metal rail, Trial Hill, Cilcain** - Mr Ian Williams had reported prior to the February Council - work completed. Item can now be deleted.

p82 **Refuse collection vehicle** - Cllr J Emyr Davies had reported to the Clerk since the February meeting having seen the collection vehicle travelling with the side doors open. Was the door hinged or meant to be fastened between pick-ups?

Mr Ian Williams explained it depends on the distance between the pick-ups. In view of the number of complaints being received in the Cilcain area, Mr Williams to discuss the procedures again with the Refuse Collection Supervisor.

p83 **Dolfechlas Road, gulleys** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes thanked Mr Williams for arranging the jetting of the split concrete channel at the entrance to Bryn Gollen.

- p83 **Potholes near Coed Du Farm** - In the February 2016 Meeting, Cllr Hughes had reported - only one of the two pot-holes had been repaired. Mr Williams indicated the repair gang had been back to the location referred to.
- p83 **Llys Alyn entrance** - At the February 2016 Meeting, Cllr Gareth W Hughes had reported clearing of the carriageway had taken place. Item can now be deleted
- p83 **Gulleys in Berth Road** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported that the gulleys in Beth Road had now been cleaned out. Item can now be deleted.
- p83 **Star Crossing Road surface water** - At the Jan 2016 Meeting, Cllr W Owen Thomas referred to a number of places on Star Crossing Road where water was coming on to the carriageway from the adjoining agricultural land. Mr Ian Williams reported having recently cleaned out the gulleys along Star Crossing Road. Item can now be deleted.
- p83 **Erosion of highway edge opposite the Bath House** - Mr Williams to pursue.
- P87 **Footpath between Football Ground and Heatherdene, Dolfechlas Road** - New fence required between the Football Club and the public footpath. Mr Williams to schedule the work in due course.
- /-- **Rhydymwyn Play Area**, - Members referred to the play area scheduled to have an official opening by Mr David Hanson in the May/June period. Mr Williams requested to put a coat of stain on the wooden fence by the entrance gate in time for the opening ceremony.
- /-- **Footway on Mold side of Rhydymwyn Service Station** - Chairman thanked Mr Ian Williams for arranging to sweep the path since the February Council Meeting.
- p88 **Sewage Treatment Plant, visibility splay** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported the splay area needed cleaning. Mr Williams to pursue.
- /-- **Hendre footway sweeping** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported that hedge cutting had taken place at the back of the highway footway in Hendre. The footway was now in need of sweeping. Mr Williams to pursue.
- p87 **Provision of dog bin, Plas Uchaf junction** - Plan available at Council Meeting. Cllr W Owen Thomas indicated the preferred position for the new bin. Plan passed to Mr Williams.
- p84 **Dog Fouling, Rhydymwyn football field** - Flintshire will probably be introducing new procedures soon, so the Community Council may have to wait to see if the future proposals / arrangements can be utilised to deal with the football field problem.
- p87 **Soakaway in former school field, Rhydymwyn** - Soakaway provided approximately 8 years ago - check on silt level probably now appropriate. Mr I Williams to pursue.
- /-- **Dog Fouling stick-on signs** - Mr I Williams had brought a dozen sticky back dog fouling signs to the Council Meeting. Clerk to pass on a few stickers to Cllr Miss Ann Baker.

p87 **Roadside gulley, Village Hall car park** - Cllr Derek May reported the two gulleys near the car park entrance had not been cleaned out. Mr I Williams to pursue.

p84 **Hendre Parking** - Clerk to send copies of previous correspondence to Mr Ian Williams.

Mr Ian Williams left the meeting at this stage. The Chairman thanked Mr Williams for attending and briefing Members on the various highway issues in such a professional manner.

p83 **Defra site, Rhydymwyn** - Members had enquired in the February Council Meeting if the Council was to submit observations 'before or after' hearing from DEFRA. The Clerk had checked on the position. The Council's observations were required at this stage.

A vision statement prepared by Rhydymwyn Friends of the Valley had been attached to the Agenda for Members information. The Community Council's views on the future of the site had been discussed in the February Council Meeting. The Council's views on the future of the site are summarised below:

- (i) The Community Council wishes the site to carry on as a nature reserve. The Council maintains there would be strong objections by Rhydymwyn village residents to the site being promoted for any purpose other than a nature reserve.
- (ii) The Council would be extremely concerned if more emphasis is given to the war history aspect of the site. Village residents would not want busloads of visitors coming from all over the country to look at the war history features of the site.
- (iii) If DEFRA has to cut costs, then consideration needs to be given to reduced specification contracts to replace the existing maintenance and security contracts.
- (iv) Reference was made in the stakeholders meeting regarding the possibility of site ownership change taking place. There is a significant obligation on river maintenance, building maintenance and providing security for the site. The Council questioned - Who would want to take on the responsibility from DEFRA for the site?
- (v) For a government body to pass on the pollution responsibility of the site to any 'body' other than another government body or a public body would be tantamount to passing on pollution land responsibility to a 'man of straw'.
- (vi) If DEFRA has taken legal advice on transferring pollution obligations to another land owner, the Council would wish to be given access to the legal observations received on this matter.
- (vii) Transferring pollution obligations to another land owner, other than a public body, is of concern. Considering giving a 'dowry' type financial inducement to a non-public body is even more concerning.
- (viii) The Community Council maintains there should a five year management plan in place with a stakeholders management board set up. The management board should be chaired by DEFRA and should meet on a twelve month basis to review progress.

Clerk to submit the Council's observation to DEFRA via Mr Dave Williams at the DEFRA site.

Cllr W Owen Thomas to speak to Mr Andrew Fuller on Thursday 24 March to enquire if Flintshire were making a submission.

p81 **Light outside Village Hall building entrance** - Clerk reported having spoken to Mr Mash (Bowling Club Chairman). Mr Mash confirmed the corner floodlight near the Village Hall entrance belonged to the Bowling Club. The reflector had been turned to face the Village Hall for the Bonfire night. The Cilcain Young Framers would be requested to turn back the lamp towards the bowling green.

The problem of inadequate light to access the Village Hall was discussed. If a new Council street lamp was provided there would be an issue with the power supply, and the street lamp would have to remain on all night. Councillor W Owen Thomas explained there are already two lights near the entrance, and all that is need is to have a sensor on the second lamp.

Mrs Sue Jones reported, through the Chairman, Deeco had recently been attempting to trace a power supply cable to the Bowling Club floodlights. Clerk to discuss with either Mr Dave Edwards or Mr Gareth Edwards.

p81 **Nant Alyn Road, first lamp on right outside No 1.** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes to check if lamp had been repaired.

p83 **Bath House, Coed Du Hall, Rhydymwyn** - Clerk to write again to Flintshire's Conservation Section.

p83 **Rhydymwyn Flood Committee** - Another Warden's Meeting to be arranged in due course. Head and shoulder type photographs for four of the Wardens were outstanding. Clerk to pursue.

p84 **Cilcain Play areas, refurbishment** - Mr R Roberts indicated at this morning's Rhydymwyn site meeting - Plans will be available shortly. Confirmation required from Mr Roberts that some of the proposed new items are suitable for disabled youngsters.

p84 **Rhydymwyn play areas, refurbishment** - Cllr Mrs Janet Butlin had enquired in the February Council Meeting if there was sufficient gradient between the start and end of the Zip Wire. Cllr John S Douglas had used the Zip wire successfully. Clerk explained if one stands at the field boundary end of the Zip wire, the gradient is more apparent. Cllr Gareth Hughes explained - due to adverse weather conditions, the Contractor had been called off the site before completing the seeding work. Contractor to return to finish off the work early this week. Chair confirmed having drawn Mr Roberts' attention to the cracks in the rubberised surfacing of the previous scheme.

p84 **Kiosk door** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes to pursue with Mr David Morris.

p84 **Village Hall conveyance plan** - Item to be dealt with under correspondence.

p84 **Antelope Industrial Estate, recycling plant** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported on the Planning Committee site meeting which had recently taken place. At the subsequent Planning Ctee meeting a few days later, the application for extending the hours of operation had been refused. The Chairman thanked Cllr Owen Thomas for insisting on a planning site meeting.

Cllr Thomas explained that the recycling firm had been requested to draw up a programme detailing the gradual removal of the stored recycled material. The process could take up to 12 months from now.

NRW would be involved in the proposed removal to comply with the time conditions set for the programmed removal.

p84 **Parking problems in Cilcain** - Clerk reported having collected together all the previous correspondence on this problem. Information to be sent to Mr Derrick Charlton.

6. PLANNING MATTERS

Community Council observations requested on:

- (i) Ref No: 054968 Location: Nant y Gain, Pentre, Cilcain
Community Council's observations: No objection.

Planning Decisions made by Flintshire County Council:

- (a) Ref No: 054721 Location: Barn at Star Crossing
Decision: Approved
- (b) Ref No: 054570 Location: Hesp Alyn Farm
Decision: Approved
- (c) Location: Cefn Cottage, Nant Alyn
Ref No: 054811 Decision: Approved
- (d) Location: Tyddyn y Barcud Farm, Hendre
Ref No: 054827 Decision: Approved

7. CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS - To consider the following items. N.B. the items with an asterisk were not copied for Members.

- 1) 18/01 Parking in Cilcain - Letter from Cilcain resident regarding parking for this year's fell race. Item discussed under an item below.
- 2) 10/01 Dog Fouling - invitation to make observations on dog fouling initiatives to be considered by Flintshire. Clerk to respond.
- 3) 15/02 Cilcain Village Hall - request for reimbursing insurance premium. See correspondence item below. Members also noted the information in the Appendix regarding previous insurance donations to the Hall Ctee.
- 4) 15/02* Cilcain Show - Letter from J Bateson (Show Ctee) requesting permission to use Waen Field on 29 Aug 2016. Permission given.

- 5) 22/02 Sewage Treatment Plant, Rhydymwyn - Response received from National Resources Wales (NRW) regarding the Council's pollution concern. Reply received from NRW to explain there had been a blockage near the inlet part of the plant, but the inlet pipe work would be rodded on a more regular basis in future. Also a remote alarm system would be installed to ensure the emergency repair operatives can arrive on site within hours of a problem occurring.

With respect to the Cilcain STW, Clerk to ask NRW:

- (i) If the scheduled audit of the works did take place.
- (ii) Has the access been improved to allow sludge removal during most weather conditions.
- (iii) How often is the outfall effluent tested. The Council assumed the condition of the outfall effluent will give an indication as to whether or not the treatment plant is overloaded.

- 6) 19/03* Rhydymwyn Village Orchard - Thank you note from the Chairperson of Rhydymwyn Friends of the Valley for recent donation towards the interpretation board.
- 7) 24.02 Flintshire Optec Youth Exchange Scheme Trust - request for financial assistance. Position noted.
- 8) 24/02 Student visit to Patagonia - Note of thanks for donation from Catrin Edwards, Rhydymwyn.
- 9) 13/03 Rhydymwyn Play area refurbishment scheme - letter from Rhydymwyn resident regarding fencing off the new works. A copy of the Clerk's completion report sent to the Welsh Assembly explaining the reasons for seeding instead of using turf was attached for Members information.
- 10) 14/03 Cilcain Village Hall / Toilet block - Clerk reported having written to the Hall Ctee Secretary to request the Management Ctee to consider:
- (i) Adding a paragraph to the Agreement to accommodate the toilet block.
 - (ii) Add an up to date plan to the Agreement to show the current footprint of the Village Hall and Toilet Block.

A copy of the response letter had been included with the Agenda. The response letter did not specifically indicate that the Hall Committee would accept the Council's suggestion of including the above paragraph in the existing lease.

The Hall Secretary's letter introduced a new suggestion of having a maintenance schedule as well as the need to include clarification in the lease regarding the insurance obligations of the two parties.

Clerk to write to the Hall Secretary to seek clarification regarding the additional insurance premium. Member felt the additional 'Trustee indemnity Insurance Policy' was likely to be more to do with the running of the Village Hall and as such was a matter for the Hall Ctee. Members accepted the Community Council would be in a better position to take a view on the request, if a copy of the policy was made available. Clerk to request the Hall Secretary to provide a copy of the policy document

Members felt it was difficult to understand how maintenance schedule would benefit the Hall Ctee.

Members agreed the Clerk should, in the first place, request a written undertaking from the Hall Ctee that it is prepared to accept Cilcain Clean and Lock under the umbrella of the Village Hall Management Committee, and on terms acceptable to Clean and Lock.

11) --/-- Fundraising musical evening - Information from a Holywell Town Councillor regarding a fund raising event scheduled for 30 March 2016. Position noted.

12) 15/03 Flintshire Local Development Plan - invitation from Mr Andy Roberts (Flintshire Planning) to submit observations. A resume of the observations agreed at the 2nd meeting with Mr Andy Roberts (29 Feb 2016) was distributed at the Council Meeting. Members discussed the observation for each site. Any reference to observations by Mr A Roberts would need to be deleted as appropriate prior to the revised comments being submitted to Flintshire. The amended comments list will be attached to the 18 April 2016 Agenda.

Cllr W Owen Thomas and Cllr John White reported at the Planning Meeting on the 29 February on a recent 'Week in Week out' programme. A professor from Aberystwyth University had undertaken a study which challenged the flood risks assessments made by NRW. NRW flood risk statistics were based on the rainfall and flood readings taken for the last 50 years. If Historical records (including geological and alluvium) data are taken into account, the flood risk in many areas can be up to 40% more. Unfortunately, this latest University study, if accepted by NRW, will have significant adverse implications for flood risk maps in areas such as Rhydymwyn.

13) 17/03 Friends of Rhydymwyn Valley - Copy of Vision Statement - for information. Item discussed earlier

14) 18/03 DEFRA site, Rhydymwyn - Information from NEW Wildlife regarding the twelve month extension to its contract. Members noted the reference to the 5 year Conservation Management Plan referred to in the third paragraph.

15+16) Copy of invoices receive by Flintshire for the supply and installation of the Rhydymwyn playscheme. Members expressed concern regarding the high cost of the various items. Despite the cost concern being expressed about the three schemes undertaken at Cilcain and Rhydymwyn, Members accepted it was appropriate to proceed with the proposed play area extension scheme at Cilcain. Cllr Gareth W Hughes had received comments from residents regarding the high cost of the scheme.

The Clerk expressed disappointment that the Council's considerable effort in promoting the scheme was being rewarded only by adverse comments from all directions.

17) Representations made to Mr H Sutcliffe (AONB) - Cllr J Emyr Davies expressed disappointment in the February Council Meeting regarding the lack of action by One Voice Wales in trying to persuade Mr Sutcliffe to amend AONB's policy excluding Community Council representations on AONB's cabinet committee. The letter from OVW Chief Executive to the AONB was included with the correspondence to show that OVW did at least attempt to influence the AONB.

18) 09/02 One Voice Wales - letter detailing membership advantages of subscription.

19) 20/03 Cilcain Parking - information from local organiser (Mr John Heppenstall) of NEWSAR regarding the proposed October 2016 event, and a copy of an e-mail from Mrs Sue Jones to NEWSAR requesting an update on the proposed parking arrangements. Members noted:

(a) The proposed use of a shuttle service from the bottom road was still an option.

- (b) Parking on the fields in October is now considered to be too much of a risk.

8. MATTERS RAISED SINCE LAST MEETING

- (i) **Flooding at side/rear of Village Hall** - Report and photographs received from Mrs Sue Jones regarding serious flooding of the play area. Problem appeared to be a repeat of the incident which occurred in Jan / Feb 2008 when the highway maintained drain surcharged, resulting in similar incident flooding at this location. Mr Ian Williams informed and copy of Minutes dated 18 Feb 2008 sent to describe the last incident.

Extract from: MINUTES OF MEETING OF CILCAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, CILCAIN ON 18 FEBRUARY 2008

Present: Chairperson W Owen Thomas

Cilcain highway matters:

(e) Chairman reported system at rear of village hall jetted out last few days - but discovered a 6 inch drain going into 4 inch.

Item not discussed

- (ii) **Nant Alyn Road, Road closure signs by BT** - Item discussed earlier.
- (iii) **Coed Du Hall junction** - Item discussed earlier.
- (iv) **Roadside gulleys uphill from Village Hall car park, Cilcain** - Item discussed earlier.
- (v) **Tree still in River Alyn 150m upstream of the Yarranton new houses** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes had reported (15 Mar) tree sill in the River Alyn. Item had been reported to Mr Kevin Williams at NRW. Item not discussed.
- (vi) **Soakaway in School Field, Rhydymwyn** - The new soakaway that was provided in the former Ysgol y Ddol field, approximately six years ago, will probably need de-silting every few 4 to 5 years. Item discussed earlier.
- (vii) **New dog bin, Plas Ucha Junction, Cilcain** - Clerk has spoken to adjoining resident - Dog bin available in Flintshire. Item discussed earlier. Members
- (viii) **Community Pond, Ysgol y Foel, Cilcain** - The Council Chairperson had attended a recent School Governors Meeting at Ysgol Y Foel, and had requested an item to be included on the Agenda. Item to be discussed when Cllr Miss Ann Baker is in attendance
- (ix) **Flintshire Development Plan** - A meeting was held with Flintshire's Mr Andy Roberts on Monday 29 Feb 2016 at the Village Hall Cilcain. Item discussed earlier.

9. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS - Accounts scheduled in the Appendix were approved.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING -

The next meeting of the Council will be held at 7.30 pm in the Football Club premises, Rhydymwyn on Monday 18 April 2016.

APPENDIX - MATTER OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE - NOT FOR PUBLICATION

1.0 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

(i)	A Evans sal + exp for Feb 2015 (sal = £360/month)	501.25
(ii)	HMRC - PAYE for February 2016	72.00
(iii)	A Evans - Office stationery and equipment (Amazon)	113.35
(iv)*	One Voice Wales - annual subscription	170.00
(v)	Deeco - annual street lighting maintenance	458.40
(vi)	Asda - office stationery and equip	88.13
(vii)	W Owen Thomas - tanalised post for Vill Hall Gate	34.20
(viii)	Flintshire County Council - cemetery rates - Cilcain	325.62
(ix)	Village Hall Management Ctee insurance premium to cover Trustee indemnity of Ctee Members £90.11	
(x) **	Flintshire County Council - Rhydymwyn play area contract work	27,466.00
(xi)	A Evans - Computer equipment allowance - Apple I-pad	420.00

* **One Voice Wales, annual subscription** - At the February 2016 Council Meeting. Members questioned the usefulness or otherwise of continuing the subscription with One Voice Wales.

The Clerk has spoken to Mr Brian Grew (a Mold Town Councillor). Mr Grew was currently the National Executive Chairman of One Voice Wales for a two year period. Mr Grew maintained that 76 % of North Wales Community Councils are subscribing Members, some of the larger Councils having their own organization.

The Council agreed to continues with the annual Membership.

** Members noted - the Welsh Assembly grant to the value of £24,349 had been deposited in the Community Council's account on 10 March 2016. This meant the amount of Council Funds being expended on the scheme is £27,466 - £24,349 = £3,117.

The two invoices for the work received by Flintshire were attached to the correspondence. The two goalposts were a late addition to the scheme. The Council was initially led to believe that the goal post cost of £980 (excluding VAT) could be accommodated within the cost of the scheme. It transpired the goal post were an addition. Strictly speaking approval should have been obtained from the Welsh Assembly to include the goal posts in the scheme. Mr R Dobbins had very kindly 'overlooked' the slight transgression to procedure and paid 75% of the total cost.

The breakdown for the scheme was as follows:

Total cost for the work	=	£32,466
Flintshire match funding contribution	=	£5,000.
Flintshire Leisure have participated in the public consultation exercise, had the plans prepared, invite tenders, contracted the work, and supervised the contract work, at no cost to the scheme		
Welsh Assembly grant (75% of total)	=	£24,349

Community Council contribution = £3,117

A copy of the completion report and the claim to the Welsh Assembly were attached to the correspondence. Copies of the scheme photographs (P1 to P5) which were required by Welsh Assembly were tabled at the meeting showing the items included in the scheme.

Flintshire County Council has paid the two invoices, so essentially Flintshire was bankrolling the outstanding cost until the cheque for £27,466 is received by Flintshire. A photograph was also available at the meeting of the unsatisfactory re-instatement of the grass area. The problem had been brought to the attention of Mr Richard Roberts, and a site meeting had taken place on Monday morning (21 March). The Chairman indicated he was satisfied by the re-instatement assurances given by Mr R Roberts at the site meeting.

Unfortunately the Council had these finishing problems on the two previous schemes. Mr Richard Roberts has been reasonable in coming back to deal with defects in the past, both in Cilcain and Rhydymwyn. Withholding the cheque until Flintshire is to arrange for the repairs was not recommended by the Clerk, especially when the Council would be looking to Flintshire for participation in the next scheme at Cilcain.

Members also expressed concern regarding the high cost of the various items. However, the Council had the satisfaction of knowing that Flintshire had to follow tendering procedures in the procurement of the work.

2. **Village Hall insurance contribution** - The Community Council has normally paid approximately £220 towards the Village Hall contents insurance. In the 21 Dec 2015 Council Meeting a reimbursement request for £387.77 was received by the Council from the Hall Treasurer. At the December Council Members approved an interim payment of £250. Members agreed it was be appropriate for the Council to request a copy of the Village Hall insurance policy for last year and this year. Perusing the two documents would allow the Community Council to establish why the traditional premium had increased by 70 %.

Members agreed to repeat the request for a copy of the Contents Policy.

The current request for a further £90.12 appears to be for a separate insurance policy to cover item 6 in Mrs Hardman's letter dated 14 March 2015. Members agreed it was appropriate to request the Hall Secretary to e-mail an extract from the insurance policy.