

- p35 **Coed Du to Plas Wilkin** - build-up of leaves problem not discussed.
- p35 **Seepage by Bryn Teg (between Coed Du Hall entrance and the Caravan Site)**
Mr Ian Williams had reported prior to the Council Meeting that the response from the NRW was awaited.
- p36 **Cilcain Toilets** - Mr Ian Williams had reported prior to the Council Meeting that the lifting of the kerb at the car park entrance had been scheduled. The work would probably be undertaken in the next two months. Cllr W Owen Thomas expressed concern regarding the condition of one of the gate posts. Cllr Derek May reported deteriorating mortar on the low stone wall between the Village Hall car park and the Village Hall. Chair invited Mrs Sue Jones to comment on the position. Mrs Jones reported a loose coping stone near the pedestrian entrance. The above three items to be looked at in the next village walkabout meeting.
- p36 **Lon Cilan hedge, Cilcain** - Item can now be deleted.
- p36 **Street Lighting, A541, Rhydymwyn** - Mr Ian Williams had reported prior to the Council Meeting that the repair works had been scheduled. Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported that 3 No lamps need repairing between Hendre and Rhydymwyn:
(i) near last house in Hendre
(ii) near Tarmac entrance
(iii) opposite bus shelter
- **Street Lighting, Parc y Llan, Cilcain** - Cllr Derek May reported a lamp not working on the entrance to the Parc y Llan estate. Cllr Ian Hughes to check exact location.
- p36 **Church Meadow, depression in footway opposite No 7** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported that work had been undertaken to the defective area. Item can now be deleted.
- p36 **Repair to boundary wall, Donkey Field** - Position to be monitored further by Cllr Gareth W Hughes in heavy / severe rain conditions.
- p36 **Potholes, Ffordd y Llan, Cilcain** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported that some pot-hole repair work on Ffordd y Llan had taken place last month. Some pothole repairs still to be done. Mr Williams to pursue.
- p36 **Mountain Road, Cilcain, ice across carriageway** - Mr Ian Williams to familiarise himself with this longstanding problem. Members felt that with less gritting proposed for this Winter, it is important to tackle this potential ice hazard.
- p36 **Overhanging trees Ffordd y Llan / Trial Hill** - Mr Ian Williams had submitted a report prior to the Council Meeting to indicate that Trial Hill and Ffordd y Llan work had been included on a schedule of work to take place shortly. Cllr W Owen Thomas had also been assured that the work of cutting back the trees at Trial Hill was imminent.
- p37 **Water ponding near top of Trial Hill** - Inspection by Mr Ian Williams scheduled for week commencing 23 Nov 2015.

- p37 **Dog bin, entrance to millennium wood** - Cllr Derek May reported that the dog bin just inside the entrance to the Millennium wood had now been emptied. Mr Ian Williams had reported prior to the Council Meeting that this particular bin had now been added to the emptying schedule.
- p37 **Coed Du to the Caravan Park** - Mr Ian Williams to arrange for the longitudinal cracks in carriageway to be sealed to prevent further deterioration. Mr Williams intended to use a liquid sealer, which has a low enough viscosity to seep into the cracks.
- p37 **Star Crossing / A541 junction** - In the October Council Meeting the need to de-clutter the signs had been discussed. Members noted that some of the signs had now been removed and the position was much improved.
- p38 **Gritting routes cut backs** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported having spoken to Flintshire's Deputy Leader regarding the Community Council's concerns about the rural roads not being pre-gritted. Cllr Thomas had received an e-mail response from Flintshire Streetscene.
- Cllr John S Douglas expressed concern that the morning following the October Council Meeting - signs had been erected regarding the non-pre-gritting routes. Cllr Douglas felt the Council should have been informed about the imminence of the signs at the October Council Meeting.
- Cllr J Emyr Davies expressed concern regarding some of the salt heaps having been placed - half on the verge and half on the road. The salt stored on the new tarmac would soon damage the newly surfaced road.
- Cllr W Owen Thomas expressed concern that some of the salt heaps were so small this year - that they were of very little use for spreading salt on the roads.
- Clerk reported having been informed by Streetscene that the standby arrangements for the tractor and spreader were still in place for this Winter.
- Cllr W Owen Thomas maintained that Coed Du Hospital Management could do worse than make separate representations to Flintshire regarding the section of Nant Alyn between Rhydymwyn and the Hall entrance not being pre-gritted this Winter.
- p38 **Noisy Manhole cover by the Antelope** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported that the 'clacking' manhole cover reported at the September Council had not been repaired.
- p38 **General tidying of grass verges in Rhydymwyn** - Mr Ian Williams had indicated the visibility splay by Welsh Water's Treatment Plant entrance would be cleared in due course.
- p38 **White posts to indicate SSSI** - Plans indicating the three sections in the Council's area (which were marked by white posts) were distributed to Members at the Council Meeting.
- p39 **Rhosesmor Junction Rhydymwyn** - Cllr W Owen Thomas reported having met Mr Ian Williams to discuss the possibility of having additional repeater 40 mph signs on the Mold side of the Rhosesmor Junction. Mr Williams had explained the 40 mph repeater signs had to be at a prescribed distance apart, so introducing an additional sign could not be

accommodated. However, the provision of a 'concealed junction' sign on the Mold side of the Rhosesmor Junction was an appropriate solution. Cllr Thomas reported that he had also visited the Tarmac Junction with Me Ian Williams. The possibility of widening the quarry exit road at the junction had been discussed.

p39 **Village Walkabout meeting for Cilcain and Rhydymwyn** - Clerk to arrange two separate meetings, one for Rhydymwyn followed by a Cilcain walkabout. Meeting to be arranged for the Spring of 2016.

At this point, Mr Ian Williams arrived at the Council Meeting. The Chair invited Mr Williams to comment on the following items which had been discussed earlier:

- (i) **Surfacing of two roads in the Cilcain and Rhydymwyn area..**- Member were under the impression that two sections of roads in the Council's area were going to be re-surfaced. Mr Williams was invited to clarify the current position. Mr Williams explained the surfacing of a section of road in the Council's area would not now take place until the next financial year. Each road selected for re-surfacing had to satisfy certain matrix conditions. Mr Williams would do his best to arrange for re-surfacing to be included in Flintshire's overall programme.
- (ii) **Entrance to Village Hall car park** - Mr Williams was invited to estimate when raising of the kerb line or the provision of a tarmac entrance hump would be undertaken. Mr Williams indicated he was attempting to arrange for the drainage problem to be attended to in the next two or three months.
- (iii) **Repair of Street lamps, A541** - Mr Williams explained that barrier tapes had been tied to each column needing attention.
- (iv) **Cemetery / Playing Field boundary hedge, Rhydymwyn** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes thanked Mr Ian Williams for arranging for Flintshire's maintenance contractor to cut the boundary hedge. A good job had been done.
- (v) **Mountain Road, drainage** - Mr Ian Williams to meet Cllr J Emyr Davies on site.
- (vi) **Trelan highway culvert** - Mr Williams requested to acquaint himself with the background - should there be a grill on the culvert entrance? - what happened to the drainage scheme that appeared to be imminent when Mr Fraser Roberts was the Area Supervisor?
- (vii) **Trees at Ffordd y Llan** - cutting back of overhanging trees to be done in the next few weeks.
- (viii) **Nant Alyn, pot-holes** - deteriorating of pothole resulting in highway water discharging into Cae'r Eithin.
- (ix) **Accumulation of weed and muddy leaves** - Trial Hill and Coed Du to Bath House. Mr Williams to schedule the work.
- (x) **Highway verges between white posts** - When will verge cutting be done? - depends on biodiversity protected in the particular section. In the case of Nant Alyn, highway safety considerations influences cutting time.

- (xi) **Link path bin Rhydymwyn** - bin now on emptying schedule.
- (xii) **Dog bin in Church lane, overflowing** - Mr Ian Williams to make sure the bin is on the current emptying schedule.
- (xiii) **School bus drop off point, Rhydymwyn** - Cllr John White expressed concern regarding the school bus from Mold to Rhydymwyn dropping the school children off at a point where there is a continuous white line (no overtaking). Mr Williams to pass the message on to Flintshire's bus section.

The Chairman thanked Mr Williams for attending the Meeting. Mr Williams left the Council meeting at this point

MATTERS ARISING (CONTINUED)

p39 **Gas Proposals Rhydymwyn** - Members reported on the Public Meeting which had recently been held in the Football Club. Approximately 20 residents had attended the meeting. Members expressed concern that the meeting had not been very well publicised. There should have been mail shots through every letter box.

Cllr W Owen Thomas reported that the Council tenants had not been informed of the proposed scheme, and in a number of cases, excavation work was taking place outside the houses.

Some residents at the Public Meeting were suspicious of the scheme having been promoted to be of benefit to the eventual housing development in the former school field.

Members felt that the £142,000 cost to Flintshire could have gone a long way towards the savings Flintshire were having to find on other more essential Council services.

p40 **Defra site, Rhydymwyn** - Item not discussed.

p40 **Bath House, Coed Du Hall, Rhydymwyn** - No change in position. Clerk to make enquiries with Mrs Eleanor Carpenter in Flintshire Conservation.

p40 **Rhydymwyn Flood Committee** - Meeting to be arranged.

p28 **Eisteddfod Genedlaethol yr Urdd, Flint, 2016, fund raising** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes was pleased to report that the local fundraising target of £8,000 had been reached. Another fund raising concert had been arranged for Cilcain Chapel on next Saturday.

p40 **Cilcain Play areas, refurbishment** - The plans from Flintshire had just been received. The plans would be considered in the December Council Meeting.

p40 **Rhydymwyn play areas, refurbishment** Clerk confirmed having accepted Flintshire's match funding grant. The new play equipment had been ordered from the manufacturer.

p40 **Rhydymwyn Football Club, dog fouling** - Item not discussed.

- p40 **Kiosk door** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes to pursue with Mr David Morris.
- p40 **Village Hall conveyance plan** - Item discussed later in Agenda - Item No 10.
- p40 **Cilcain seat** - Clerk confirmed a new seat had been purchased from P and A in Mold. Seat to be delivered to Mr Les Williams, Walwen in the next few days.
- p40 **Antelope Industrial Estate, recycling plant** Clerk to request Flintshire Planners to arrange a Liaison Meeting with the recycling firm. Members expressed concern regarding the amount of external storage of materials. Cllr W Owen Thomas arranging to meet the NRW regarding enforcement notices.
- p40 **Request for support for Rhydymwyn Church refurbishment scheme** - Payment item included in the Appendix.
- p41 **Waen Field bonfire** - Cllr Derek May requested the Clerk to write to the Cilcain Young Farmers to congratulate them on the way the site had been cleared after the bonfire. No trace of debris to be seen when Cllr May looked at the field on the following morning.

8. PLANNING MATTERS

Community Council observations requested on: None received

Planning Decisions made by Flintshire County Council:

Location: Yr Hen Ysgubor, Mountain Road, Cilcain
 Proposal: Erection of porch to existing conservatory
 Ref No: 054237
 Decision: Approved .

9. CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS - To consider the following items:

- 02/11 North Wales Police - Community Council meeting attendance. Members felt the letter was not very clear regarding the proposed reporting procedures.
- /-- Meeting the Financial Challenges in Flintshire - invitation to attend meeting on 23 Nov 2015 at Bryn Coch C P School Mold at 6.30 pm. Clerk to register the following for attendance: Cllr Gareth W Hughes, Cllr John Douglas, Cllr John White, Clerk. In addition, Mrs Sue Jones and Mrs Gwen Harman to represent community organisations.
- 03/11 Parking problems in Cilcain - letter from Ffordd y Llan resident regarding the Fell Run which took place on Sunday 1st November, Members expressed concern regarding the lack of prior notification received by the Community Council. Use of Waen Field for parking was not considered appropriate at this time of the year. The organisers need to consider various options: encourage car sharing, use of buses to bring participants in from the Mold car parks. If the Chapel and Church receive prior notification, then bollards can be placed to reserve parking for the Sunday services.
 Members noted - profit made in event = £900, money received for Village Hall = £50.

- 05/11 Electoral Register - current register available from Flintshire. Clerk had placed a request for a digital copy.
- 05/11 One Voice Wales - dates of next Area Committee Meetings.

10. MATTERS RAISED SINCE LAST MEETING

- (i) **Tre Lan highway culvert** - Cllr J Emyr Davies reported the highway culvert by Trelan being blocked, resulting in the stream water overflowing across the road. Item reported to Flintshire Streetscene (Mr Lightfoot). The entrance of the blocked culvert was cleared by Flintshire operatives on Monday 2 November.
- (ii) **Fell runners in Cilcain on Sunday morning 1st Nov** - Cllr J Emyr Davies reported that the annual runners event was taking place in Cilcain on Sunday morning. Item discussed earlier.
- (iii) **Hawarden Record Office** - Mrs Gwen Hardman and the Clerk kept an appointment at the Record Office on Monday 2nd November. The Jan 1978 conveyance for the Village Hall, Cilcain and other documents were signed for and the original document was tabled at the Council Meeting available for Members to peruse. Members agreed to the conveyance to be scanned so that the documents can be returned to the Records Office for safe keeping. Mrs Hardman and the Clerk reported further at the Council Meeting. Clerk explained that ‘deeds’ and ‘covenant’ are very similar. The term ‘fee simple’ mentioned in the conveyance indicates it is the highest form of ownership, that is with no covenants. Mrs Hardman explained that the previous investigations, together with this 1978 conveyance, showed that Community Council had ownership rights, with necessary documentations, for all the land in the vicinity of the Village Hall, which includes the car park, bowling green and Waen Field. The Chairman and Members thanked Mrs Hardman for the efforts she had made over the past months to eventually find the ‘Jan 1978 plan’ referred to in the current 25 yr Village Hall Management Agreement. Clerk to obtain an up to date ordnance base plan from Flintshire mapping, so that the 1978 plan can be compared with the current building. Members noted that 13 years remained on the existing management agreement. The Council agreed there was no need to change things at this stage.
- (iv) **Street Lamp, Rhydymwyn, opposite bus shelter** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes had reported that the lamp on the Rhydymwyn straight had been fixed, but the lamp by the bus shelter was still not working. Item reported to Mr Ian Williams on 2nd November.
- (v) **Street Lamp, Dolfechlas Road, Rhydymwyn** - A Rhydymwyn resident (Mr Vernon) reported (10 Nov 2015) a lamp not working opposite No 56 Dolfechlas Road. Item reported the Mr Edwards at Deeco Lighting. Item scheduled to be repaired by tonight’s Council Meeting.
- (vi) **Dolfechlas Road, link path to former Ysgol y Ddol school** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported that the Flintshire bin collection wagon did not appear to be emptying this particular bin. Item reported to Mr Ian Williams. Item discussed earlier.
- (vii) **Cemetery Hedge, Rhydymwyn** - Cllr Gareth W Hughes reported that Flintshire has now been back to cut the boundary hedge on the Church Lane and Donkey Field side of the cemetery. Cllr Hughes had thanked Mr Ian Williams earlier in the Meeting. Clerk reported on the site

meeting / visit on 18 October 2015. Cllr Mrs Andrea Davies and Clerk had cut back the boundary hedge between Bryn Rhydding and the cemetery. Blooming Gardens to plant a new yew tree at the entrance gate in due course. Bloomin Gardens to cut back the hedge at the junction of the cemetery entrance and the Donkey field.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS / REPORTS -

- (i) **Hand Held camera A541 by Lidl** - When travelling into Mold from Rhydymwyn, Members were advised to take care of a new arrangement whereby a hand held camera will be used near the Lidl entrance

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

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING -

The next meeting of the Council will be held at 7.30 pm in Cilcain Village Hall on Monday 21 December 2015.

SignedChair Date Clerk

APPENDIX - MATTERA OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE - NOT FOR PUBLICATION

1.0 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

(i)	A Evans sal + exp for October	501.25
(ii)	Bloomin Gardens Cilcain cem and (Rhydymwyn bench + cem)	185.00
(iii)	A Evans - compost for daffodil planting 2 bags at £3.76 less 10%	6.77
(iv)	Chairman's account - transfer	350.00
(v)	A Evans - Office stationery and equipment (Amazon)	176.60
(vi)	Cilcain Village Hall - approved contribution towards the refurbishment grant.	500.00
(vii)	HMRC - PAYE for Sept 2015	72.00
(viii)	Van Geest Nurseries - supply of daffodil bulbs	86.40
(ix)	A Evans - office stationery (ASDA)	48.12
(x)	Rhydymwyn Church - donation agreed in October Council	200.00
(xi)	A Evans - purchase of seat from P and A, Mold	169.90

2. XMAS DINNER - (Cherry Pie, Friday 18 December

Members had been requested to inform the Clerk by the 16 November Council Meeting of their selections for starter, main and sweet. Members noted - In view of the limited space available at the Cherry Pie, if no information was received regarding attendance by the 16 Nov Meeting, it was assumed that the Member and partner would not be attending. The spare spaces for 6 guests were allocated at the Council Meeting. Clerk and Cllr Gareth W Hughes to invite the agreed guest list.