



**CYNGOR CYMUNED YR YSTOG
CHURCHSTOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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Clerc i'r Cyngor | Clerk to the Council: E J Humphreys MA Oxf, CiLCA, FSLCC

**MINUTES of COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING
on Wednesday 26th August 2020, 7.45pm
held remotely on Zoom-Pro platform.**

- 1.0 Welcome, Attendance, Remote Meeting Etiquette:** to record attendance, and to note the remote meeting etiquette (paper 1 previously circulated).

Attendance: Cllr J Boundy, Cllr G Frost, Cllr M J Jones, Cllr R K McLintock, Cllr A Richards, Cllr B L Smith, Cllr C P Smith, Cllr J N Wakelam.

In the absence of the current Chairman, the current Vice Chairman Cllr B L Smith took the Chair.

The Vice-Chairman welcomed Councillors and Clerk to the council's remote live-streamed annual meeting and recapped the remote meeting etiquette.

In attendance: E J Humphreys (Clerk to the Council).

- 2.0 Declarations of Members' Interests and Dispensations:** to receive declarations of interest from Members in accordance with Part III of the Local Government Act 2000, which established the Local Government Code of Conduct for Members, and to note Members' dispensations. Members are asked to submit any declaration forms to the Clerk (papers 2a-b previously circulated).

Members declared personal/ prejudicial interests at the start/ during the meeting as follows:

Agenda Number	Item	Councillor	Nature of Declaration
None			

- 3.0 Elections to Offices of Chairman & Vice-Chairman for the Municipal Year 2020-21**

- 3.1 Chairman:** to receive nominations, to resolve the election of Chairman, and the new Chairman to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and take the Chair).

Council received one nomination.

RESOLVED:

CCC elects to the office of Chairman as follows: Cllr B L Smith.

Due to remote meeting Cllr B L Smith accepted office verbally and the Clerk reported that physical signing of declaration of acceptance of office will be arranged.

- 3.2 Vice-Chairman: receive nominations and to resolve the election of the Vice-Chairman.
Council received one nomination.

RESOLVED:

CCC elects to the office of Vice-Chairman as follows: Cllr G Frost.

- 4.0 Apologies for Absence:** to receive, and resolve if desired, to approve absence(s).

Apologies for absence approved by Council: None.

Apologies for absence received: Cllr D L Powell.

Other Members Absent: Cllr G Jameson, Cllr J Jones, Cllr D N Yapp.

- 5.0 Public Participation:** to receive members of the public who wish to address the council in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Any member of the public wishing to speak must notify the Clerk to the Council no later than 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.
None.

6.0 Chairman's Reports & Announcements:

- 6.1 Retiring Chairman: to receive the retiring Chairman's report.
In the absence of the retiring Chairman there was no report.
- 6.2 Incoming Chairman: to receive the incoming Chairman's address.
Cllr B L Smith thanked Council for its confidence in electing him as Chairman for the coming year and remarked on the unusual circumstances of Covid-19 pandemic.

7.0 Committees and Pools

- 7.1 Committees: to resolve to retain the following Committees (& Terms of Reference) and Pools.
The Clerk reminded Members of the current standing committees of the council.

RESOLVED:

CCC retains the following Standing Committees and Pools:

- a) *Green Grants Committee (paper 7.1a previously circulated)*
- b) *Planning Committee (paper 7.1b previously circulated)*
- c) *Disciplinary & Grievance Pool (from which a panel of 3 will be drawn if required)*
- d) *Appeals Pool (from which a panel of 3 will be drawn if required).*

- 7.2 Election to Committees: to receive nominations and to resolve the election to Committees and Pools above.

Council received nominations for Committees and Pools.

RESOLVED:

CCC elects to the Standing Committees and Pools as follows:

- a) *Green Grants Committee*
All members of the Council
- b) *Planning Committee*
All members of the Council
- c) *Disciplinary & Grievance Pool*
All members of the Council
- d) *Appeals Pool*
All members of the Council.

8.0 Special Responsibilities

- 8.1 Positions of Special Responsibility: to resolve to retain/ establish the following Positions of Special Responsibility
The Clerk reminded Members of the current positions of special responsibility of the council.

RESOLVED:

CCC retains the following Positions of Special Responsibility:

- a) Allotments & Recreation (x3)
- b) Budget Preparation Panel (x3)
- c) Cemetery (x1)
- d) Democratic Governance & Organisation (x3)
- e) Information & Website (x1)
- f) Internal Audit & Financial Scrutiny (x1)
- g) Personnel & Staffing (x1)
- h) Police Consultation & Liaison (x1)
- i) Posting of Information & Notices to Community Notice Boards (x6).

- 8.2 Election to Positions of Special Responsibility: to receive nominations and to resolve the election to Positions of Special Responsibility above.
Council received nominations for Positions of Special Responsibilities.

RESOLVED:

CCC elects to the Positions of Special Responsibility as follows:

- a) *Allotments & Recreation (x3)*
Cllr M J Jones
Cllr C P Smith
Cllr D N Yapp (subject to acceptance)
- b) *Budget Preparation Panel (x3)*
Cllr J Jones (subject to acceptance)
Cllr D L Powell
Cllr A Richards
- c) *Cemetery (x1)*

Cllr B L Smith

- d) *Democratic Governance & Organisation (x3)*
Cllr D L Powell (subject to acceptance)
Cllr B L Smith
Cllr D N Yapp (subject to acceptance)

- e) *Information & Website (x1)*
Cllr B L Smith

- f) *Internal Audit & Financial Scrutiny (x1)*
Cllr J N Wakelam

- g) *Personnel & Staffing (x1)*
Cllr B L Smith

- h) *Police Consultation & Liaison (x1)*
Cllr C P Smith

- i) *Posting of Information & Notices to Community Notice Boards (x6)*

<i>Notice Board</i>	<i>Councillor</i>
<i>Hyssington</i>	<i>Cllr R K McLintock</i>
<i>Mellington</i>	<i>Cllr M J Jones</i>
<i>Pottery</i>	<i>Cllr B L Smith</i>
<i>Snead</i>	<i>Cllr J N Wakelam</i>
<i>Co-Op</i>	<i>Cllr B L Smith</i>
<i>White Grit</i>	<i>Cllr R K McLintock</i>

9.0 Outside Bodies

- 9.1 Outside Bodies: to resolve to retain/ establish the following representation to outside bodies:

The Clerk reminded Members of the current outside bodies on which the council is represented.

RESOLVED:

- Churchstoke CP School Governors (x1)
- Churchstoke Recreation Association (x1)
- Hyssington Village Hall Committee (x1)
- One Voice Wales Montgomeryshire Area Committee (x1)
- Friends of the Green at Hyssington (x1).

- 9.2 Election to Outside Bodies: to receive nominations and to resolve the election to outside bodies above.

Council received nominations for election to outside bodies.

RESOLVED:

CCC elects the following Positions of Special Responsibility:

- Churchstoke CP School Governors (x1)*
Cllr D N Yapp (subject to acceptance)
- Churchstoke Recreation Association (x1)*

Cllr C P Smith

- c) *Hyssington Village Hall Committee (x1)*
Cllr R K McLintock
- d) *One Voice Wales Montgomeryshire Area Committee (x1)*
Cllr M J Jones
- e) *Friends of the Green at Hyssington (x1)*
Cllr R K McLintock.

10.0 Finance

- 10.1 Bank Mandate Authorised Signatories: to resolve the mandate and authorised signatories on the council's bank accounts
The Clerk reminded Council of the current mandate and signatories.

RESOLVED:

CCC confirms the bank mandate and cheque signatories as Chairman Cllr B L Smith, Vice-Chairman Cllr G Frost, Past Chairman Cllr D L Powell, and The Clerk E J Humphreys.

- 10.2 Insurance: to resolve the levels of insurance cover for 2019-20 (paper 10.2a-b previously circulated).
Council received information from the Clerk on current level of insurance cover being year 3 of a 3-year arrangement with BHIB Ltd.

RESOLVED:

CCC confirms the level of insurance cover 2020-21 with BHIB Ltd as presented and will tender for a new contract in February/ March 2021.

11.0 Corporate Governance

- 11.1 Standing Orders: to resolve to confirm and retain (with revisions if appropriate) the council's Standing Orders (paper 11.1 previously circulated).
Council received the existing Standing Orders.

RESOLVED:

CCC confirms and retains the Standing Orders as presented.

- 11.2 Financial Regulations: to resolve to confirm and retain (with revisions if appropriate) the council's Financial Regulations (paper 11.2 previously circulated).
Council received the existing Financial Regulations.

RESOLVED:

CCC confirms and retains the Financial Regulations as presented.

- 11.3 Risk Assessment: to resolve to adopt the corporate Risk Assessment for 2020-21 (paper 11.3 previously circulated).
Council received the Clerk's report and recommendation for Risk Assessment for 2020-21.

RESOLVED:

CCC accepts and approves the Annual Risk Assessment 2020-21 as presented and approves the risk management actions.

Action – Clerk to process

11.4 Scheme of Delegation: to resolve the council's Scheme of Delegation to Committees and to the Proper Officer of the Council (paper 11.4 previously circulated).

Council received the existing Scheme of Delegation.

RESOLVED:

CCC confirms the Scheme of Delegation as presented.

12.0 Dates of Meetings: to note the frequency and dates already agreed for Council and Committee meetings for 2020-21 (paper 12 previously circulated).

Council noted the frequency and dates of meetings for 2020-21 already agreed as listed in appendix 1.

Meeting ended – 8.01pm.

Appendix 1: Dates of Community Council and Committee meetings 2020-21**Council**

Meetings are scheduled for last Tue/Wed of each month to begin at 7:30 p.m.

Day	Date	Venue (Remote until Covid-19 limitations lifted)
Wed	24/06/2020	Hyssington/ Remote
Wed	29/07/2020	Churchstoke/ Remote
Wed	26/08/2020 ¹	Churchstoke/ Remote
Tue	29/09/2020	Hyssington/ Remote
Tue	27/10/2020	Churchstoke/ Remote
Tue	24/11/2020	Churchstoke/ Remote
Tue	22/12/2020 ²	Churchstoke/ Remote
Tue	19/01/2021 ³	Churchstoke/ Remote
Tue	23/02/2021	Churchstoke/ Remote
Tue	30/03/2021	Hyssington/ Remote
Tue	27/04/2021	Churchstoke/ Remote
Wed	26/05/2021	Churchstoke/ Remote

Committees

Committee meetings will be called by the Clerk when required and notified to Members and to the public in the prescribed manner.

¹ August meeting being planning, finance, and urgent matters only

² December meeting early to avoid Christmas/ New Year week

³ January meeting early to meet precept deadline