

SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 10th APRIL 2017

PRESENT: Councillors: Mike Walker (Chairman), John Dodd, Mrs Chris Jones (County Councillor), Mrs. Joan Keith, Alex Lewis (Vice Chairman), Mrs Mary Southall, Shelley Webber and David Wisinger.

Peter Richmond - the Clerk and Financial Officer.

Also in attendance – 3 members of the public.

16/287 APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs. Gwyneth Bullock, John Griffiths, Mrs. Barbara Hinds and Norman Jones.

RESOLVED – that apologies be received and accepted

16/288 CODE OF CONDUCT DECLARATION

RESOLVED – that it be noted that no declarations were made to Council at the beginning of the meeting in respect of the agenda.

16/289 MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

No matters were raised.

16/290 CHAIR'S REPORT AND ACTIONS SINCE 20th MARCH 2017

The Chairman referred back to the meeting he attended on the 9th March 2017 regarding Wheelabrator Parc Adfer regarding the new incinerator. The Chairman outlined that there will be an annual community benefit fund of £235k which will be run by FCC for at least 25 years. Details of the bidding criteria will shortly be made available. Wheelabrator Parc also has a one-off fund of £50k that again will have a bidding criteria – this is to be made available during the period of construction.

The Chairman also attended the recent 150 years' event at St. Bartholomew's Church.

RESOLVED – that report be noted.

16/291 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEEING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 20th MARCH 2017

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on 20th March 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record

The Clerk advised that District Inspector Andrew Griffiths will be meeting with members of Council at 6pm on Monday 15th May 2017 at 6pm

Items carried forward from the previous meeting are -

1. Anti-social behaviour Green Lane East - police advised that the situation is improving – the County Council’s Safety Team has been involved.
2. Need someone to monitor school crossing patrol – police advised that a motor vehicle passing through any red light is committing an offence, if members of the public manage to catch this on video this can automatically be uploaded to the North Wales Police website and will be dealt with dependant on the quality of the footage provided. The link is - <https://www.north-wales.police.uk/contact/minor-incident-reporting/roads-policing-intel>
3. ASB on riverbank cycle path by Blue Bridge – Wayne Jones advised that the Council seat is going to be temporally removed and hopefully will be reinstalled at the same location.
4. Eggs being thrown at windows – police advised that ASB patrols will continue in the area – If any members of the public are aware of anything occurring at the time please ask them to contact North Wales police on 101.
5. Community Speed Watch – Council requires an update as members of the council and public have volunteered to be involved.
6. Speed Checks / Sealand Road will be maintained. The County Councillor advised that average speed cameras are going to be installed along Sealand Road.
7. Cars are turning into Old Sealand Road at the traffic lights then doing a U-turn – 5 to 6pm – this will continue to be monitored.
8. Small motorbike – two/three youths- Sealand Manor / Garden City Area and along the riverbank – no further complaints have been received by the police.
9. The County Councillor has asked the Clwyd Alyn Housing Association whether the alleyways on every road on the estate can be closed off. We are experiencing so much anti-social behaviour at the moment and motorbikes speeding around the estate and up the alleys. The County Councillor advised that the Clwyd Alyn Housing Association are going to consult with local residents.
10. Replacement laptop for the Council’s CCTV has been ordered. The original laptop had been returned to council and has been passed to the Head teacher to see if it can be used at the school.

Additional items raised – Anti-Social behaviour across Garden City and reports of a quad bike being driven around Garden City.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/293

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

a) Welsh Road Recreation Field / Deeside Lane – Dogs

The County Councillor advised that the new orders will shortly be approved

RESOLVED - the Clerk should obtain details of the new orders and for them to be added to the Council's web site.

b) Water Leaking from Walls – Foxes Lane Underpass

Wayne Jones has previously advised that he is still trying to get an update from Mark Middleton to find out what's causing water to leak out of the wing walls. The County Councillor advised that she will arrange to meet with Mark Middleton.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

c) Underpass- Foxes Lane

Wayne Jones has previously advised that he understands that it is proposed to install new lighting at the underpass.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

d) Ferry Lane Footbridge – Noise Nuisance

The County Councillor advised that she will arrange to meet with Mark Middleton.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/294

LIGHTING MATTERS

a) Street Lighting Report

All lights are working apart from column 65 on Foxes Lane which is always on.

Council has 108 lights this will reduce at 31st March 2018 by 9 lights leaving the Council's stock at 99.

The Clerk reminded Councillors again that should they see a light that needs attention to phone / text or email the Clerk straightaway or to contact Wayne Jones rather than leave to the next meeting of Council. This will ensure that lights can get fixed as soon as possible.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

b) Lighting Improvements – 2017/18

The Clerk reminded Council that it allocated £18,000 for lighting improvements and adoption for the 2017/18 financial year. Cost per light being £2000. At the meeting held on 16th January 2017 Council agreed to replace and have adopted 96 to 99 at Sealand Avenue and 55 to 59 at Manor Road.

Replacement columns for 55 to 59 at Manor Road have already been installed and are working. There is still an old column in place fitted with a CCTV at Manor Road.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/295 SECTION 137 – LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1971
PAYMENT OF GRANTS

The Clerk advised that the Government has confirmed that the appropriate sum for the S137 Expenditure Limit for the purpose of Section 137 (4) (a) of the Local Government Act 1972 for the calculation of the Free Resource Base is based on the local population taken from the current electoral role of 1964 and £7.42 per head produces an upper limit of £14,572.00

Allocation for the 2017/18 financial year for grants is £2,500.

The expenditure on free school milk comes under well-being (Local Government Act 2000, Sections (1-5) - this power is restricted by the S137 limit (£7.42 per elector in any given financial year). The school milk estimated expenditure for 2016/17 is £3,200.

Giving a total estimated expenditure of - £5,700

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/296 GRANT REQUESTS

The Clerk advised that there were no requests to consider.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/297 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Clerk advised that the following planning applications had been received electronically from Flintshire County Council.

056620 - Erection of detached garage at The White House, Old Sealand Road, Sealand, Flintshire, CH1 6BR

056662 - Erection of porch to front of dwelling at 102 Welsh Road, Garden City, Deeside, CH5 2HX

RESOLVED: - that no objections be raised in respect of the reported planning applications

16/298 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: - that –

- i) the under mentioned accounts be approved for payment.
- ii) it be noted that the Lloyds Bank charges for the period as previously notified to Council –for the period 10th February to 9th March 2017 - £10 will be deducted on or after 8th April 2017.

Cheque No	Payable to	Details	Amount	VAT	Vat Code	Expenditure Powers
003048	Wrexham – Bidston Rail Users Association	Annual Subscription	£25.00			Local Government and Rating Act 1997 Section 31 (1)
003049	Flintshire County Council	Street Lighting Maintenance and Energy – February 2017	£589.40			Highways Act 1980 (301)
003050	P. Richmond	Salary – April 2017	£652.18			Local Govt Act 1972 (S112)
003051	HM Revenues and Customs Only	Income Tax – PR – April 2017	£262.40			Local Govt Act 1972 (S112)
003052	Connected Security Ltd	Replacement laptop to work with council’s CCTV	£660.00	£110.00	863151140	Local Govt Act 1972 (S111)
003053	JOLORA	Web site maintenance Oct 2016 to March 2017	£325.33			Local Govt Act 1972 (S142)
003054	Richie Hayes & Sons Dairy	School Milk – March 2017	£340.10			Local Govt Act 1971 (S137))
Total Spend			£2,854.41	£110.00		

16/299 INCOME

The Clerk advised that Council had received the following income –

Lloyds Bank – Interest	£1.94
Total	£1.94

RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

16/300 PLAY AREAS - SEALAND

The Clerk reminded Council that at the meeting of Council held on 20th March 2017 it agreed to the additional funding of £722 so that the 2016/17 match funded project of £11,445 could

proceed. The joint funded 2016/17 proposed play equipment scheme is to supply and install a 25 metre Aerial runway [zip wire] at Sealand Manor.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/301 LAND DRAINAGE ISSUES

Neil Parry met with councillors prior to the meeting held on 20th March 2017 – Neil has submitted his report. A copy of his report was emailed to members of Council.

- a) Stuart Banks has now reinstated the open watercourse that traverses his field to the rear of Deeside Crescent.
- b) Neil has e-mailed his StreetScene colleagues to enquire what works have been undertaken on the watercourse adjacent to the headwall on Sealand Road where it flows from the original Sealand Road outfall.
- c) At a field entrance opposite the Texaco Garage Neil has noticed now that water levels have reduced and that 2 brick headwalls either side of the field entrance have collapsed which will impede flows. He will write to the landowner or arrange to meet him there with a view to re-building the headwalls.
- d) Neil has undertaken an inspection of the watercourses either side of Sealand Road at its junction with the A550 near Andy's Plants. He had no concerns about the drainage on the northern side of Sealand Road but he does require Wayne Jones to lift a manhole on Sealand Road to determine whether or not there is a connection from the watercourse where it stops just short of Andy's Plants. Neil will contact Councillor John Dodd after they have lifted the manhole.
- e) Neil has monitored flows at the end of Green Lane East at its junction with the A550 and has no concerns with regards to how the watercourses are functioning.
- f) Neil met Mrs Whittaker from Green Lane East to discuss / inspect drainage on Seahill Road near to Sealand Church. There is a highway drainage system incorporating gullies and an outfall drain on the eastern side of Seahill Road. However, on the western side there are ditches that appear to have no apparent outfall. Neil will meet with Wayne Jones with a view to undertaking further investigations.
- g) Neil has confirmed that the watercourse adjacent to Station Cottage is a Main River drain and flows from the cycle path towards Seahill Road and beyond. Watercourses running alongside the cycle path which Nev Dring referred to will flow into the Main River above and not vice versa. Neil has spoken with the N.R.W. and advised them that the headwall on the Main River where it crosses Seahill Road was submerged when he undertook an inspection. N.R.W. have advised me that they will undertake an inspection and advise me of their intentions.
- h) Neil has inspected the watercourses either side of Ferry Lane. The watercourse on the western side was well defined and was unobstructed which causes him no concerns whatsoever. The watercourse on the eastern side is poorly defined and in its current

profile probably acts as a soakaway. He understands that the maintenance of these watercourses is FCCs responsibility.

- i) With regards to Morriston's Farm on Green Lane he considers that the tenant farmer has widened an access and has not made provision to pipe the watercourse beneath. He will write to the tenant farmer requesting that he rectifies matters.
- j) A drainage query was raised at the council meeting on 20th March 2017 about the proposed car sales facility on Sealand Road just before Sealand Church. This query involved the washing of vehicles on the site which has a permeable hardstanding / parking area. N.R.W. would comment to the County Council's Planning Department regarding any possible ground contamination issues pertinent to this activity.

RESOLVED – that the –

- i) report be noted.
- ii) Neil be thanked for his report and be asked to confirm that the responsibility for the maintenance and cleaning of the Ferry Lane ditches sites with FCC and not the local residents

16/302 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Flintshire County Council – Chief Planning Officer re PA 056318 – Outline application for the erection of 1 dwelling on land adjacent to Crofters Cottage, Deeside Lane, Sealand CH1 6BB. Planning and Development Control Committee – 12th April 2017 at 1pm at the Council Chamber, County Hall, Mold

RESOLVED – that the report be noted

16/303 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

RESOLVED – that the matter be deferred.

16/304 SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL – SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS - 2016/17 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Clerk outlined the finalised expenditure and income for the 2016/17 financial year.

2016/17

Financial Year

Income

	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
General Admin Inc. Precept.	£57,000.00	£57,000.00	£0.00
Bank Interest	£23.30	£20.00	£3.30
Insurance Claims / Refunds	£118.30	£0.00	£118.30
VAT Refund	£890.47	£1,100.00	-£209.53
Milk Claims	£570.27	£750.00	-£179.73
Total	£58,602.34	£58,870.00	-£267.66

Expenditure

	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
Play Scheme and Equipment	£7,840.00	£11,000.00	£3,160.00
Staffing Costs	£9,275.22	£9,049.00	-£226.22
General Admin Costs	£5,509.84	£4,005.00	-£1,504.84
S137 Grants	£2,525.00	£3,500.00	£975.00
Bank Charges	£45.00	£0.00	-£45.00
Street Lighting inc CCTV repairs	£31,653.40	£25,850.00	£5,803.40
Highways	£1,500.00	£500.00	-£1,000.00
Insurances	£1,099.65	£2,500.00	£1,400.35
Milk – Section 137	£3,644.52	£3,100.00	-£544.52
Chairman's Fund	£800.00	£800.00	£0.00
Total	£63,892.63	£60,304.00	-£3,588.63

Current
Summary

Balance as at 31 March 2016	£42,277.72
Total Expenditure	£63,892.63
Total Income	£58,602.34
Balance	-£5,290.29
Overall balance as at 20th March 2017	£36,987.43
VAT Costs for 2016/17 financial year	£389.11

End of Year
Prediction

Balance as at 31 March 2016	£42,777.72
Total Anticipated Expenditure	£60,304.00
Total Anticipated Income	£58,870.00
Anticipated Balance for the year	-£1,434.00
Anticipated Overall Balance as at 31st March 2017	£40,843.72

RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

16/305 **SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL – SUMMARY ACCOUNTS**
2016/17 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Clerk advised that in line with council's Financial Regulations he submits details of the Council's overall bank balances in respect of – as at 30th June, 30th September, 31st December and 31st March each year.

The position as at 31st March 2017 is –

Account - no – 0388217 - £1,485.31
Account - no – 7326098 - £35,718.72
Total - £37,204.03

Less unpaid cheque 003045 for £216.60

Total bank accounts - £ 37,204.83 less unpaid cheque of £216.60 leaves a closing balance of £36,987.43

The Clerk confirmed that he had submitted to HMRC the Council's VAT claim for the 2016/17 financial year for £389.11

The Clerk also confirmed that he had completed the Council's HMRC end of year on line processes for 2016/17 and has set up the on-line process for the 2017/18 financial year.

RESOLVED: - that-

- i) the report be noted.
- ii) the Chair and Clerk sign off the appropriate pages for the 2016/17 financial year in the Council's account book.

16/306 **SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL – SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS -**
2017/18 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Clerk outlined the expenditure and income for the 2017/18 financial year up to cheque number 003053

	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
Income			
General Admin Inc. Precept		£57,000.00	
Bank Interest		£24.00	
Insurance Claims / Refunds		£0.00	
VAT Refund		£500.00	
Milk Claims		£500.00	
Total		£58,024.00	
Expenditure	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
Bank Charges		£60.00	£60.00
Chairman's Fund		£800.00	£800.00
Staffing Costs	£823.48	£9,276.00	£3,770.00
General Admin Costs	£441.43	£3,795.00	£3,353.57
Insurances		£1,200.00	£1,200.00
Election Costs		£4,500.00	£4500.00
Play Areas		£8,100.00	£8,100.00
Highways		£700.00	£700.00
Street Lighting	£589.40	£23,400.00	£22,810.60
CCTV Maintenance	£660.00	£1,000.00	£340.00
Grants – Section 137		£2,500.00	£2,500.00
School Milk – Section 137		£3,200.00	£3,200.00
Total	£1,249.40	£58,531.00	£56,016.69

Current Summary	Balance as at 31 March 2017	£36,987.43	
	Total Expenditure	£1,249.40	
	Total Income	£0.00	
	Balance	-£1,249.40	
	Overall balance as at 10th April 2017	£35,783.03	
	VAT Costs for 2017/18 financial year	£110.00	
End of Year Prediction	Balance as at 31 March 2016	£37,006.58	
	Total Anticipated Expenditure	£58,531.00	
	Total Anticipated Income	£58,024.00	
	Anticipated Balance for the year	-£507.00	
	Anticipated Overall Balance as at 31st March 2018	£36,499.58	

The Clerk detailed the accounts for Council in the Local Council for Wales Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2017

Statement of Accounts

31-Mar-16	31-Mar-17	
£	£	
£42,773	£42,278	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the council's financial records.
£57,000	£57,000	Total amount of income received in the year from local taxation (precept).
£1,675	£1,602	Total income or receipts recorded in the cashbook minus the amounts included in line 2. Includes support, discretionary and revenue grants.
£9,049	£9,275	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include salaries and wages, PAYE and NI (employees and employers), pension contributions and related expenses e.g. termination costs
£0.00	£0.00	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the council's borrowings (if any).
£50,121	£54,618	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook minus staff costs and loan/interest expenditure/payments.
£42,278	£36,987	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year.
£0.00	£0.00	Income and Expenditure Accounts only. The value of debts owed to the council at the year end.
£42,278	£36,987	All accounts. The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and investments held as at 31 March – this must agree with the reconciled cash book as per the bank reconciliation.
£0.00	£0.00	Income and Expenditure Accounts only. The value of monies owed by the council (except borrowing) at the year end
£42,278	£36,987	Total balances

£222,051	£165,777	The original asset and investment register value of all fixed assets and any other long-term assets held at 31 March.
£0.00	£0.00	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties.
N/A	N/A	Trust Fund Disclosure

Key Dates for 2017/18

HMRC VAT Claim for 2016/17 for £389.11	1 st April 2017- completed
HMRC Basic Tools on Line System set up for 2017/18	31 st March 2017 - completed
Bank Reconciliation for 31 st March 2017	1 st April 2017 - completed
Internal Audit	13 th April 2017 – collect records on 27 th April 2017
Date of council meeting to approve accounting statements and to present annual return to smaller body prior to audit.	10 th April 2017 – completed.
Display notice	From 1 st May to 14 th May 2017 Notices displayed on web site and notice boards from 10 th April 2017
Make records available	From 15 th May to 12 th June 2017
Date of council meeting to receive internal audit report	15 th May 2017
Send annual return to external auditor – BDO.	6 th June 2017
Annual return required by external auditor - BDO	13 th June 2017
Publication of audited accounts as soon as possible after completion of the audit – or in any event no later than	30 th September 2017

Section 2 – Annual governance statement

The Clerk outlined the Section 2 – Annual governance statement

We acknowledge as the members of SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control including the preparation of the accounting statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Council’s accounting statements for the year ended 31st March 2017 that -

	Agreed - Yes or No
We have put in place arrangements for – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • effective financial management during the year and • the preparation and approval of the accounting statements. 	YES
We have maintained an adequate system of internal control, including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	YES
We have taken all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and codes of practice, that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of the Council to conduct its business or on its finances.	YES
We have provided proper opportunity for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014.	In progress
We have carried out an assessment of the risks facing the Council and taken appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	YES
We have maintained an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the Council's accounting records and control systems throughout the year and have received a report from the Internal Auditor.	YES
We have considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year end, have a financial impact on the Council and, where appropriate have included them on the statement of accounts.	YES
We have taken appropriate action on all matters raised in previous reports from internal and external audit.	YES
Trust funds – in our capacity as trustee we have discharged our responsibility in relation to the accountability for the fund(s) including financial reporting and if required, independent examination or audit.	N/A
We have registered as an employer with the HM Revenue and Customs and operate Pay As You Earn as part of our payroll arrangements or	YES
We do not need to register for PAYE because none of employees are paid £112 or more a week, get expenses and benefits, have another job or get a pension.	
We have maintained proper payroll records for each of our employees including deductions of tax and national insurance.	YES
We have adopted a Code of Conduct setting out proper standards of behaviour expected of councillors and individually, have agreed to abide by the code.	YES

Following certification by the Responsible Financial Officer the Council is required to approve the Annual Governance Statement Part 1

RESOLVED: - that –

- i) the report be noted.
- ii) Council should note and approve the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2017 as presented by the Council's Responsible Financial Officer. The Accounting

statement being approved.

- iii) the Chairman and Clerk and should sign and date the certification by the Clerk and approval by the Chairman.
- iv) the Chairman and Clerk should also sign the Council's ledger book.
- v) on completion of the Annual Return process a copy should be added to the Council's web site.
- vi) the Clerk be thanked for his excellent services in maintaining the Council's governance and finances.

Notice of Appointment of Date for the Exercise of Electors' Rights, Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2017

The Clerk advised that each year the Council's annual return is audited and any person interested has the opportunity to inspect and make copies of the annual return and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to them.

The Clerk outlined the public notice and details of the public inspection arrangements.

Inspection runs from 15th May and ends on 12th June 2017.

The notice is required to be displayed on the Sealand notice boards and the Council's web site from 1st May 2017

RESOLVED: - that the report be noted.

16/308 THE PENSION REGULATOR

The Clerk referred back to minute 16/234 - 16th January 2017.

The Clerk advised that Council has now completed its statutory declaration of compliance with the Pension Regulator and this has been confirmed by The Pension Regulator letter dated 4th April 2017.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/309 SCHOOL MILK CLAIM – JANURY TO MARCH 2017

The Clerk advised that he had submitted the following milk claim to Flintshire County Council to administer with the Intervention Board.

Month	Days	Pupils	Cartons	Cost
January	19	80 x 20 90 x 11	1600	£304.00
February	16	60 x 3 80 x 12	1140	£216.60
March	22	30 x 1 80 x 22	1790	£340.10

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/310 COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS – 2017

The Clerk advised that he had been informed by Lynn Phillips from the County Council's Democratic Services that a letter will be sent to all 10 candidates who are unopposed advising them that they come into office four days after the day of election and that before they can act as a Councillor they have to sign the declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the Clerk. Each Councillor must make his/her declaration at or before the first meeting of the Council after the 4th May, 2017. An item needs to go on the agenda for the May AGM – Monday 15th May 2017 indicating that the Clerk will report on signing of declarations.

If any Councillor has not done so then a resolution needs to be passed permitting the declaration to be made at or before a later meeting. To note - in any case the declaration has to be made within a period of two months after the day of election.

Council has 3 vacancies due to insufficient nominations then Council will need to include an item on the agenda for the May AGM – Monday 15th May 2017 advising members of the fact and that any vacancy can be filled by co-option. Council has to fill by co-option within 35 days (working days not including Saturdays, Sundays and Banks Holidays) calculated from election day.

Members of council thanked John Dodd for his services as a member of council since being elected in 1974.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/311 DEESIDE PLAN

Prior to the meeting Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration advised that -

The Deeside Plan was created to set out how the regional ambitions for economic growth, which emphasise the importance of the Deeside area, can be delivered locally.

The Plan has a thirty-year focus and will: 1) allow long term planning for land use, economic development and transport; 2) align the work of different agencies and partners towards one unified vision for Deeside and 3) support bids for funding.

The main themes of the Deeside Plan are: business growth; skills and employment; housing; transport; and the environment. The Plan balances the need to achieve economic growth with the need to safeguard and improve local quality of life.

Delivery of the Plan will take place at different levels: from the UK Government funding rail infrastructure, down to local groups helping to improve the environment.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

16/311 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Responsibility of trees along Green Lane East – Wayne Jones to advise.

Damaged footway – Sealand Road - Wayne Jones to advise.

Graffiti on Foxes Lane underpass - Wayne Jones to advise.

Mud on the highway at Foxes Lane - Wayne Jones to advise.

Pot Holes / A548 roundabout, Welsh Road site of former British Legion and at the Foxes Lane underpass.

Council should consider at the next meeting the consultation process regarding the proposed new highway routes – Red and Blue

16/311 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Ownership / responsibility to maintain the ditches at Ferry Lane.

Higher Ferry Sign at Ferry Lane has been removed - Wayne Jones to advise regarding the need for a replacement sign to be installed.

Perspex required for the notice board at Ferry Lane - Wayne Jones has given this to Peter Siddorn who will install on the notice board.

Update on the PA re Fir Trees Caravan Site,

16/312 DATE OF COUNCIL’S NEXT MEETING – 15th MAY 2017

RESOLVED – that the meetings of Council for 2017 be held on the following Mondays 15th May, 19th June, 17th July, 18th September., 23rd October, 20th November and 11th December 2017.

16/313 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Council Member	Item	Minute Reference

The meeting opened at 6.30pm and closed at 8.05pm

..... Signed 15th May 2017