**BANGOR ON DEE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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**A Zoom Meeting of the Bangor on Dee Community Council was held on 23rd June 2022 at 8.00 pm.**

**Present**: Elected Councillors: Cllr S Harvey, Cllr N Amyes

Temporary Community Councillors; Cllr J McCusker Cllr R I Williams

S Merry – Clerk

The meeting was lead by the Clerk as there was no elected Chairman.

The Clerk thanked everyone attending for their assistance in reviving the Bangor on Dee Community Council.

Following a Section 91 Order from Wrexham County Borough Council (WCBC), the appointment of two Temporary Councillors added to the two Elected Councillors meant the Community Council (CC) was quorate and therefore could legally co opt new councillors.

**Apologies:** There were no apologies

**Declaration of Interests** - No Declarations were noted.

The Clerk confirmed the interest shown by local residents in the vacancies on the CC. Seven individuals had confirmed in writing their interest and this was circulated to the four councillors for their consideration prior to the meeting.

The candidates were:

Jackie Grice

Moira Humphreys

Christine Dawson

Stephen Morrison

Robert Ian Williams

Lee Conway

Peter Walker

Cllr S Harvey proposed that having already seen their profiles, all applicants were voted as a group and not discussed individually. All councillors agreed. There were favourable comments on the age range and experiences of the candidates from all councillors. There were no negative points raised at all and all four agreed that all seven should be co opted to the Bangor on Dee Community Council. Proposed by Cllr S Harvey and seconded by Cllr N Amyes.

The Clerk confirmed he would write and confirm to all newly appointed councillors, complete any appropriate paperwork and invite them to the next CC meeting July 19th.

This next meeting will be treated as the Annual General Meeting (AGM), where formal positions, roles and the structure of the CC will be discussed.

Cllr J McCusker asked the meeting if his services were still required moving forward. It was agreed that given the co option of Cllr Robert Ian Williams and six other candidates this evening, mathematically his role was complete. At this point he stood down and was thanked for his brief but important assistance.

A discussion followed on the nature of the next meeting, zoom face to face. Cllr S Harvey raised the issue of compliance to Welsh Government legislation and accommodating a hybrid meeting in the Village Hall. Cllr N Amyes felt a hotspot could be used to overcome the internet issue. Cllr N Amyes offered to look into this for the CC.

Finally Cllr R I Williams updated the CC on developments with the drains in the village, the need for better signage on Abbey Gardens and the A525, possible restrictions on the use of Abbeygate Walk on racedays, the need to improve the bus service in the area and the building of a better relationship with the Race course. It was agreed there are a number of areas to discuss and to try to address over the coming months with the new Community Council.

The Clerk extended thanks to all and closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8:26 pm