

MAELOR SOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

held on Wednesday, 8th May 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Held at Penley Village Hall

Present: Cllr. J. Griffiths (JG) (Chair); Cllr. J. Blanchard; Cllr A Raey (AR); Cllr J Tomkinson (JT); Cllr M Edge (ME); Cllr. KOwen (KO).

Apologies: Cllr: N Ringrose

Mr. J. Gallanders (Clerk) Cllr. J McCusker (JM) (County Councillor

Public: Two members of the public

Appointment of Chair: The Chair stood down and the Clerk conducted this section of the meeting. All Council Members had been given the opportunity of nominating a Member for the position of Chair. There was only one nomination from Cllr (JG) for Cllr (AR) to serve as Chair for the period 2024/25. The nomination was seconded by Cllr (JB).

The meeting unanimously supported the nomination of Cllr (AR) for the prescribed period.

Members had been given the opportunity to nominate a Vice Chair- the Clerk had received one nomination from Cllr (AR) for Cllr (JG). This nomination was seconded by Cllr (JB).

The meeting unanimously supported the nomination of Cllr (JG) for the role of Vice Chair for the period 2024/25.

Minutes of AGM 2nd May 2023:

The minutes had previously been circulated. No alterations.

Proposed acceptance: Cllr (JB) Seconded Cllr (KO)

There were no matters arising.

Finance:

The Clerk presented a copy of the end of year accounts that have been audited by the MSCC Independent Auditor. In addition, Members received a copy of the Annual Return the Auditor to be submitted to Audit Wales.

The Clerk highlighted that the end of year financial position also included a receipt of £4000 towards the cost of the zebra crossing by Madras School from the St Asaph Diocese. Payment has not yet been made to WCBC due to the poor installation and outstanding issues.

It was noted that £15k of the bank balances is (including the £4000) designated for the zebra crossing.

The precept had been kept in line with an inflationary element for 2024/25

It was proposed by Cllr (KO) and seconded by Cllr (JB) that the accounts be adopted and for the Chair to sign the Audit Return on behalf of MSCC.

Community Report:

It was noted by Members that the format and information contained in the Annual Report to residents was very comprehensive and clear to read and highlighted the significant work undertaken by MSCC during the reporting period 2023-24.

Both communities have benefited from a number of improv events and investment in particular community defibrillators, street lighting and playground maintenance and recently funds for Donkey Field in Bettisfield.

T was noted that the work of MSCC costs on average each household less than 75p per week and the council still has one of the lowest precepts in the County Borough.

Members of the public are urged to engage with the Council about exist and potential future developments.

The Annual Report highlights the progress on Objectives set by MSCC and what objectives would be carried forward for 2024-25.

It was agreed that are copies of the report would be available on request.

Date of next AGM : - provisional Tuesday 6th May 2025

There being no further items the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.