



## **LEESWOOD AND PONTBLYDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LEESWOOD AND PONTBLYDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2017.

#### **PRESENT**

Councillor G. Sherwood, Chairman of the Council (in the Chair)

Councillor J. Caruana, Vice-Chairman

Councillors D.K. Crowther, R. Hughes, T. Hughes, C.E. Jones JP, D. Rule and J.E. Saul.

Also in attendance Marie Reynolds – Clerk to the Council.

#### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Were received from Councillors J. Atkinson and R. Williams.

#### **1. AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES - LYNZE ROGERS, DEVELOPMENT WORKER IN ATTENDANCE**

The Chairman, Councillor G. Sherwood, welcomed Lynze Rogers to the meeting. Ms Rogers introduced herself to Councillors, stating that she lives in Coedpoeth, a community like Leeswood. For many years she has worked in the position of Development Officer and is very familiar with what is expected from the role. She had been working closely with Mrs Helen Jones, Older People's Strategy Co-Ordinator at Flintshire County Council to build on the work already started.

The initial plan is to co-ordinate a steering group that will develop a questionnaire. This steering group will be made up of members of Community organisations/groups. As this project is Big Lottery funded the evaluator, the National Development Team for Inclusion, want to see the vision for Leeswood. It is hoped that this meeting can take place in June/July. The NDTI needs to see at what place the Community is now and they will then visit near the end of the project to see how far we have got. A letter is to be sent out to all Community organisations/groups inviting representatives to attend a meeting, (this will be held in June), with the aim of creating a steering group.

Observation was made that it was hoped that the project would not be forced into time constraints, such as the NDTI evaluation, as setting up a steering group could take time and those involved may decide that it is not for them, so there could be some movement of the representatives from the Community organisations/groups. It was commented that the NDTI would be performing a base line study looking at how we are today, what is the Community like? What happens here and what will happen to make progress towards the vision. Some of the information as to the position of the Community now has been collected

from the Community groups identified and the Community meeting held in November last year. Councillor R. Hughes pointed out that a lot of other Communities will want to be involved in a project such as this so we need to make a good case for it.

Progress will be made with the representatives of the Community organisations/groups meeting to create the steering group. It was proposed by Councillor R. Hughes and seconded by Councillor J. Caruana that the compilation of the letter and distribution should be left to Ms Rogers and the Clerk. All Councillors in agreement.