

SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

DECISION SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 15th JUNE 2026 AT SEALAND COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL, FARM ROAD, GARDEN CITY, CH5 2HH

PRESENT: Councillors: Alex Lewis (Chair), Christine Jones, County Councillor (Vice-Chair), David Wisinger, Bob James, Mary Southall, Brian Ward, & Barbara Hinds.

OTHERS:

Robin Davies - Headmaster – Sealand Community Council.

OFFICER: Ashley Griffiths – Clerk and Financial Officer.

26/47 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PA Number	Application details	Location
ADV/000409/26	Advertisement consent to install four non illuminated sponsorship signs 1000x500mm placed on the roundabout using a powder coated two posts and plate, passive sign system, one sign located facing each road entrance.	Roundabout, Airfield Road/Northern Gateway, Garden City, Deeside, CH5 2GD.
ADV/000424/26	Advertisement consent to install four non illuminated sponsorship signs 1000x500mm placed on the roundabout using a powder coated two posts and plate, passive sign system, one sign located facing each road entrance.	Roundabout 6, Tenth Avenue, Deeside Ind Est, Shotwick, Deeside, CH5 2UA.
ADV/000418/26	Advertisement consent to install four non illuminated sponsorship signs 1000x500mm placed on the roundabout using a powder coated two posts and plate, passive sign system, one sign located facing each road entrance.	Roundabout 33, Parkway/First & Second Avenues, Deeside Ind Est, Shotwick, Deeside, CH5 2NT.
ADV/000420/26	Advertisement consent to install four non illuminated sponsorship signs 1000x500mm placed on the roundabout using a powder coated two posts and plate, passive sign system, one sign located facing each road entrance.	Roundabout 34, Parkway/First & Fourth Avenues, Deeside Ind Est, Shotwick, Deeside, CH5 2NS.
ADV/000413/26	Advertisement to install three non-illuminated sponsorship signs 1000x500mm placed on the roundabout using a powder coated two posts and plate, passive sign system, one sign located facing each road entrance.	Roundabout 32, Drome Corner Roundabout, Garden City, CH5 2RF.

RESOLVED -that –:

No observations be raised in respect of the above applications - ADV/000409/26, ADV/000424/26, ADV/000418/26, ADV/000420/26 and ADV/000413/26

26/50 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: - that-

- i) The under-mentioned accounts be approved for payment.
- ii) It is noted that the Lloyds Bank charges for the most recent period (29/05/2026) are £9.25 - re £4.25 per month for the account maintenance fee with an additional charge of 10 cheques x £0.50 = £5.00.

Cheque No	Payable to	Details	Amount	VAT	VAT Code	Expenditure Powers
Direct debit	NEST	Pension	£49.95			Local Govt Act 1972 (S112)
003776	Jo-Lora Ltd	Website maintenance	£384.00	£64.00	294456859	Local Govt Act 1972 (S142)
003777	Ashley Griffiths	June 2026, Salary, allowance & Refund (folder)	£975.13			Local Govt Act 1972 (S112)
Total spend			£1,409.08	£64.00		

26/51 INCOME

HMRC	2 nd VAT refund 2025/26	£341.00
Lloyds Bank	Interest Payment 09/06/2026	£32.02
Total Income		£373.02

RESOLVED – that the income received be noted.

26/52 FIT, FED AND READ PROGRAMME

The Council received correspondence from GWELLA regarding the Fit, Fed & Read Programme, confirming that an event would take place on 22 July 2026 between 17:00 and 18:30 hours.

Members considered the correspondence and requested further information on the locations where the programme would be delivered and the number of days per week it would operate.

Following receipt and consideration of the additional information requested, Members were satisfied that the programme aligned with the Council's community objectives.

A proposal was duly made and seconded and, following a vote of Members, was carried.

THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Council adopts the following resolution:

RESOLVED – That the Council approves a contribution of £1,000 towards the GWELLA Fit, Fed & Read Programme, and that the Clerk be instructed to notify GWELLA of the Council's decision.

26/55 SEALAND PLAYAREAS

At the Annual Finance Meeting held on 15 December 2025, the Council resolved to allocate £15,000 towards joint-funded projects at the parks in Sealand.

Richard Roberts advised the Council that Flintshire County Council had allocated £105,000 from its 2026/27 budget to match-fund improvements to children's play areas. He presented

recommendations for improvements to the Kingsley Road Play Area as part of the match-funded programme.

The Clerk reminded Members that the Council had previously identified the replacement of the roundabout at Sealand Manor Play Area as a priority under its accessibility programme, following the replacement of the roundabout at Welsh Road Playing Field.

Following consideration of the available options, the Council voted to proceed with the replacement of the roundabout at Sealand Manor Play Area and to allocate the remaining £15,000 towards the recommended improvements at Kingsley Road Play Area.

RESOLVED – That the Council approves the replacement of the roundabout at Sealand Manor Play Area as part of its accessibility programme and allocates the remaining available funds towards the Kingsley Road Play Area improvement programme.

26/56 SCHOOL CORRESPONDENCE

Sealand County Primary School contacted the Council on behalf of the School Council to explore opportunities for collaboration on community projects. The School Council presented 12 designs for signage to address dog fouling and littering in local parks and playing fields.

The Council considered the designs and agreed to utilise them as part of a localised campaign to promote community cleanliness. Ashley Griffith (Clerk) was requested to obtain quotations for the production of the signage and seek information from Flintshire County Council regarding installation costs.

The Council also agreed to present a Certificate of Appreciation to all who participated in the design process, in recognition of their contribution and involvement in the community initiative.

RESOLVED –

- That the School Council's signage designs be adopted as part of a localised community cleanliness campaign.
- That the Clerk obtain quotations for the production of the signage and seek installation cost information from Flintshire County Council.
- That Certificates of Appreciation be provided to the headmaster to present to all who contributed to the design process.

26/61 INTERNAL AUDIT – ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN 2025/26 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Clerk advised the Council that JDH Business Services Limited reported on 6 May 2026 that the Council's systems of internal controls are in place, adequate for the intended purposes, and effective, subject to issue 1 in the internal audit report. Ashley Griffiths (Clerk) reported to the Council that issue 1 had been dealt with.

A copy of the report was added to the Council's website.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

26/62 EXTERNAL AUDIT – ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN 2025/26 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Clerk gave an overview of the requirement to the Council for the external audit, noting that the Audit packs must be submitted to Audit Wales' email address, by post to the Cardiff office only or via Objective Connect where required, with a deadline of 7th July 2026 and mandated the Council to

publish an audit notice on all notice boards and the Council website. The Council requires that electors be given 20 working days of inspection from the 6th July to the 31st of July. Section 30 of the Public Audit Wales Act 2004 gives the right of the elector to inspect the Council's accounts.

The clerk received the Audit Notice 2026 for the audit of accounts and noted to the Council that he would send the relevant documents to the auditors in the near future, after he has received the internal audit back and outlined the accounts for the Council in the Local Council for Wales Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The clerk noted that an interim copy of the Annual Return had been added to the Council's website, with the final version to be added upon completion of the Audit. The Audit notice 2026 had been added to the website and notice boards, with an announcement dated 2nd June 2026, regarding electors' rights to inspect the accounts and all documents for the year ending 31st March 2026, from 6th July to 31st July 2026.

RESOLVED – That the clerk will send all the relevant documents to Audit Wales by 7th July 2026

26/67 DATE OF COUNCIL'S NEXT MEETING – 13th JULY 2026.

26/68 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT, DECLARATION OF INTEREST— One Council member declared an interest to the Council.

Cllr Christine Jones declared an interest in minute number 26/44 (b).

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm and closed at 8:35 pm.

..... Signed 13th JULY 2026, Chairman of the Council