

**FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	Tuesday, 26 January 2016
<b>Report Subject</b>	CHANGE OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL NAME
<b>Report Author</b>	Chief Officer (Governance)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

For Council to consider a request from Leeswood Community Council to change its name to Leeswood and Pontblyddyn Community Council.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1	That the Council approves the change in the name of Leeswood Community Council to Leeswood and Pontblyddyn Community Council.
2	That the costs of advertising future town or community council name changes be paid by that council.

**REPORT DETAILS**

<b>1.00</b>	<b>CHANGE OF NAME OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL</b>
1.01	Section 76 of the Local Government Act 1972 states that, at the request of a Community Council, the principal Council in which the community was situated may change the name of the Community Council.
1.02	In accordance with Section 76 of the Local Government Act 1972, Leeswood Community Council has requested the Council to consider changing the name of the Community Council from Leeswood to Leeswood and Pontblyddyn Community Council. A copy of the Council's minutes from 1 December 2015 is attached as Appendix 1.
1.03	Apparently, residents have often asked Community Councillors why

	Leeswood Community Council is not Leeswood and Pontblyddyn Community Council when it is inclusive of and serves both small villages.
1.04	Should the Council be minded to approve the change of name of the Community Council, notice of the change is required to be sent to the National Assembly for Wales, to the Director General of the Ordnance Survey and to the Registrar General for England and Wales. It must also be published in the community.
1.05	A change of name of the Council would not affect any rights or obligations of the Community Council nor render defective any legal proceedings which may be commenced to continue as if there had been non change of name.
1.06	Section 76 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that at the request of a Community Council, the principal Council in which the community was situated may change the name of the Community Council.
1.07	The County Council must advertise the change of name for any town or community council and incurs a cost for doing so. In future, it is recommended that the cost of doing so be recharged to the relevant town or community council.

<b>2.00</b>	<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>
2.01	A cost will be incurred in advertising the change of name of the Community Council.
2.02	There are no personnel implications.

<b>3.00</b>	<b>CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT</b>
3.01	None as a result of this report.

<b>4.00</b>	<b>RISK MANAGEMENT</b>
4.01	None as a result of this report.

<b>5.00</b>	<b>APPENDICES</b>
5.01	Appendix 1 – Leeswood Community Council Minutes

<b>6.00</b>	<b>LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS</b>
6.01	None.  <b>Contact Officer:</b> Gareth Owens, Chief Officer (Governance) <b>Telephone:</b> 01352 702344 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:gareth.legal@flintshire.gov.uk">gareth.legal@flintshire.gov.uk</a>

<b>7.00</b>	<b>GLOSSARY OF TERMS</b>
7.01	None.