

Llangollen Rural Community Council
2/18
Minutes of Meeting held in Garth & Trevor Community Centre
on Tuesday 1st May 2018

Present

Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster
Cllr. Elfed Morris
Cllr. Anthony Roberts
Cllr. Steve Edwards
PCSO Emily Blake (2876)

Cllr. Darrell Wright
Cllr. Mrs D J Evans
Cllr. Mrs Alyson Winn
Cllr. Steve Jones

Chairman: Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster

Clerk: Andrea Evans

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence have been received from Cllr. Mark Valentine.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Police Matters

The Chairman Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster welcomed PCSO Emily Blake to the meeting and she gave the following report for April:

One case of anti-social behaviour, relating to a neighbourhood dispute
One case of theft of metal from an industrial site
One positive drug warrant executed in the ward

Cllr. A Roberts reported that he was to meet with Inspector Steve Owens regarding the recent hit and run damage to a car, and the recent burglaries.

4. Outstanding Work Log

The work log was updated.

Cllr. A Roberts informed members that he had a meeting scheduled at Llangollen Wharf to discuss the issue of buses parking at the Fron Basin, and asked if complainants could note the names and registration numbers of the offending bus companies.

5. Members Urgent Reports

Complaints have been received about the seats behind the flats at Bryn Eryl and the Clerk was asked to report this to WCBC.

Cllr. A Roberts informed Councillors that Bont Bridge would be closed from the 6th August 2018 for re-positioning and repairs following a collision. Information would be included in the newsletter.

Cllr. S Jones reported that he had received a request for the fence gate on the railway line at the back of Charles Avenue to be replaced. Cllr. A Roberts would inform WCBC about the request.

It was reported that water was collecting at the bottom of play equipment at the George Avenue playground. It was decided that the Playground Committee would look at this at its next meeting.

Cllr. A Roberts reported that the Environmental Department of WCBC were dealing with the blocked gulleys on Station Road, and also the Council would be weeding and scraping Pen-Y-Bont behind the pensioners' bungalows.

6. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting had been distributed and were accepted as a true record. The minutes were signed accordingly by the Chairman.

7. Matters Arising from the Minutes

The Council had received a letter from Chapel Tea-Rooms regarding the closure of Read's car park and this was read out by the Chairman. Councillors discussed the effects on the community of closure of the car park, and it was decided that the Clerk would ask Alan Forest of WCBC, and a representative of CRT to attend the next Council meeting to discuss the situation.

8. Planning

Erection of single garage

Arhaul 1 Swan Terrace Woodlands Road Froncysyllte P/2017/0910 GRANTED

Construction of timber hostel providing 4 No. short term guest sleeping accommodation together with washroom/wc facilities

The Barn Function Room Trevor Villa Llangollen Rd Trevor Wrexham P/2018/0091 WITHDRAWN

Single-storey rear extension and garage conversion

Braemar 23 Wenfryn Close Trevor Wrexham P/2018/0253 PENDING

Change of use of Trevor Villa to mixed use including accommodation and ancillary services to Trevor Barns and erection of timber hostel to create 4 no. sleeping quarters and washroom/WC facilities for short term guests

Tower Hill Barns Trevor Villa Llangollen Road Trevor Wrexham P/2018/0312 PENDING

Replacement porch extension

Trem Berwyn Garth Road Garth Wrexham P/2018/0319 PENDING

9. Correspondence

WCBC

Wrexham Local Development Plan (2013-2028) Public Consultation, 9th April - 31st May 2018

Youth Support Grant 2018-2019 - Information Drop in Session 22nd May 2018

Wrexham Adult Social Care - Community Inclusion Grant information

Report on Landfill Disposals Tax Communities Scheme

Contact details for the British Legion 'Silent Soldier Initiative'

Portuguese Celebration event June 16th 2018 in Wrexham

Kingdom Monthly Report Mar2018

Welsh Government

Independent Review Panel on Community and Town Councils - request for Council to hold drop-in session on 24th May 2018

April Newsletter

One Voice Wales

Update on GDPR and Data Protection Bill

Training courses May 2018

Age Cymru report - 'Showcasing tackling loneliness'

OVW Community and Town Council Review Response

Ecclesiastical exemption and guidance on Schedule Monuments Consultation

Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs (EPRA) - vacancies for 10 Brexit Interns

Speak My Language Report from WAO

Consultation - Changes to the consenting of Infrastructure

Play Wales

Play-day 2018 announced - Wednesday 1st August 2018

North Wales Police

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Armistice Day/Remembrance Sunday parades attracting more than 500 people may be subject to a Safety Advisory Group pre-meeting

Arcadis

Trevor Basin Area Masterplan - Stakeholder Workshop 14th May 2018

U.K. Parliament

Susan Elan Jones MP Surgery poster

Ysgol Dinas Bran

'Curtain Up' Appeal -request for funding

Wrexham Area Civic Society

In Focus magazine

Girl-guiding Berwyn Division Commissioner

Invitation to Annual Review 17th May 2018

The correspondence was made available for perusal by Councillors, and hard copies or e-mail copies can be provided on request.

10. Footpaths & Roadways

The Clerk had contacted WCBC about the loose hand-rail near the stile on the Oerog footpath. After consulting with the land owner, WCBC have agreed to replace the stile with a kissing-gate, repair the steps and replace the hand-rail.

11. Projects 2018/2019

Nothing to report

12. Community Agent

The Community Agent had met with staff at Llangollen doctor's surgery, and had a meeting at Caritas surgery in Cefn Mawr. The response from both surgeries was very positive. Visits have also been made to Chirk surgery and Dr Patel's in Cefn Mawr to drop off leaflets. Leaflets have also been dropped off in local shops, cafes, community centres and churches in Fron, Trevor, Chirk, Llangollen and Cefn Mawr. The Community Agent has spent time shadowing and training at Contact Wrexham. Also, she has attended a dementia friends training session in Chirk, and a Health & safety course.

Councillors requested that the Community Agent visits all groups and clubs at both community centres and drops off leaflets. It was decided to allocate a budget for refreshments and hiring to allow the Community Agent to organise community engagement events.

13. Meetings / Training

A Stakeholder Workshop for the Trevor Basin Area Masterplan is to be held on Monday 14th May 2018 at Garth & Trevor Community Centre, and the Chairman is attending.

14. Noddfa Cemetery

The Risk Assessment for the Cemetery will be carried out within the next two weeks.

15. Playgrounds

P Green has replaced the wooden beam on the 'Wobbly Bridge' at the Fron Community Centre. WCBC have replaced the wood on the table-top of the picnic bench at George Ave. play area.

16. Newsletter

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It was decided to ask local printing companies for quotations for publication of the newsletter to ensure the Council is achieving value for money.

17. Best Garden Competition and Community Planters

The Clerk has contacted the judges and they have agreed to judge this year's garden competition. Once a date is agreed the application form can be included in the Summer Newsletter. Councillors discussed naming a garden category after Sue Jones with an appropriate trophy.

The Clerk has met with Derwen College and received a quotation for the making up of planters with plants from the college. A list of planters, their location, and details of cost was circulated to Councillors. It was decided to accept the quotation, and the Clerk would organise removal of the old plants and replacement of the compost to prepare for planting.

18. Policies & Risk Assessments

The risk assessment for Street Furniture is almost complete. The Clerk has 2 planters and 2 holster baskets to inspect and this should be finalised within the next week.

19. Chairman's Allowance

Details of the Chairman's Allowance for 2017/18 have been completed for publication, and for submission to the IRPW by 30th September 2018.

20. Finance

The Clerk provided copies of the accounts as at end of March 2018, including receipts for 2017/18, a bank reconciliation, and budget monitoring of income and expenditure against the budget/precept. At the meeting the Clerk was provided with a year-end bank statement for the deposit account to enable the accounts to be finalised for audit.

The Clerk also provided the 2017/18 financial statements for s137, s19, the newsletter, Noddfa Cemetery and the playground account. These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The following payments were authorised:

P Ankers	102049	£250.00	
Wrexham Area Civic Society	102050	£25.00	
A Evans	102051		NJC
J Wilson	102052		NJC
SLCC	102053	£90.00	
Zurich Municipal	102054	£730.88	
A Evans	102055	£26.96	

The Clerk reported that the VAT claim of £2089.48 for 2017/18 had been submitted. It was agreed to accept the insurance quotation for 2018/19, and the financial risk assessment was approved.

21. Internal Audit

The Clerk would finalise the year-end accounts and arrange the internal audit.

22. Date, Time and Venue of the Next Meeting

As there was no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting. The next Council meeting will be held at 7.00pm at Froncysyllte Community Centre on Tuesday 5th June 2018.