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**Llangollen Rural Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held in Froncysyllte Community Centre**  
**on Tuesday 6th February 2018**

**Present**

Cllr. Darrell Wright  
 Cllr. Elfed Morris  
 Cllr. Mrs Alyson Winn  
 Cllr. Mark Valentine  
 PCSO Steve Bellis

Cllr. Mrs D J Evans  
 Cllr. Anthony Roberts  
 Cllr. Steve Jones  
 Cllr. Steve Edwards

Chairman: Cllr. Darrell Wright

Clerk: Andrea Evans

**1. Apologies**

Apologies for absence have been received from Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster unwell and Cllr. Jim Davies business.

**2. Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Police Matters**

The Chairman Cllr. Darrell Wright welcomed PCSO Steve Bellis to the meeting and he gave his report which covered December 2017 and January 2018.

**December 2017:**

**Trevor** - There had been one case of anti-social behaviour on the Trevor Estate.

**Fron** - A report had been received relating to sheep on land in Fron.

**January 2018:**

**Trevor** - There had been one case of anti-social behaviour on the Trevor Estate, and a complaint had been received regarding an anonymous phone call to an address in Trevor.

**Fron** - A neighbourhood dispute had been reported.

For the year to date 72 crimes had been reported, compared to 57 over the same period during the previous year. This represented an increase of 26.3%. Concern was expressed at the increase in reported crime and also regarding the recent residential break-ins, and the time delay in visiting affected properties. Residential burglary offences had risen in the last year compared to the previous year. The PCSO advised residents to review their security, and report any suspicious vehicles to the PCSO with the registration number, if possible. Cllrs asked if the police could patrol more at night when trouble seemed to occur. The PCSO said that this was dependant on staffing and the priorities of their work-load.

Regarding the damage to the wooden seat at the playground in Trevor, the PCSO would report this to Dave Jenkins.

Concern was raised about anti-social behaviour in Station Road with youths ringing door-bells/knocking doors of elderly residents. Cllr. Mark Valentine offered to ask local schools to raise the concern that children are creating some problems with our pensioners.

**4. Outstanding Work Log**

The work log was updated.

**Coaches parking at Fron Basin** - the Chairman and Cllr A. Roberts had visited the wharf and been told that all coach companies had been given information and instructions as to parking.

**Speed of traffic on Station Road** - Cllr Roberts had obtained information on speed recorders and suggested inviting a company representative to the next Council meeting to present details on the operation of a speed recorder, the information that can be obtained, and costs. It was also decided to ask representatives of Chirk and Cefn Community Councils to the presentation, as if other Councils were interested in acquiring a speed recorder its use and costs could be shared.

#### **5. Members Urgent Reports**

**Trevor:** As Read's car park could be closing on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, when WCBC's lease comes to an end, concern was expressed that problems may occur with canal visitors parking on the roads in the village. The new car park at the old Flexys Warehouse site was due to open on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018, but any delay in the opening, or insufficient signage for drivers could result in visitors parking in the village and possibly creating a nuisance for residents. It was decided that the Council would ask to speak with Mr Read regarding his intentions for the site, and also ask that WCBC meet with Councillors at the site to discuss their concerns.

#### **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**

**Mill Lane lighting, Cefn Mawr:** There had been a site meeting in December with an officer of WCBC where it had been established that for the length of the road, 9 street-lighting columns would be needed, together with the necessary electrical equipment and lamps. The cost was estimated to be in the region of £30,000. This was now under consideration by WCBC.

The clerk had written to Mr Lewis regarding the up-keep of the Garth War Memorial and a reply had been received detailing the work involved throughout the year in keeping the Cenotaph in a clean and tidy condition. It was noted that the War Memorial is well kept throughout the year and the Council asked the Clerk to request a quotation from Mr Lewis for his services for 2018.

SLCC membership had been renewed.

The Precept request had been accepted by WCBC.

#### **8. Planning**

##### **Certificates of Decision:**

Temporary change of use of Land for car parking

**Land north of Trevor Basin off Tower Hill Wrexham P/2017/0888 GRANTED**

Sun Room Extension

**The Hawthorns Tower Hill Garth Trevor P2017/1005 GRANTED**

Erection of detached triple garage with 2 annexes above to provide ancillary accommodation to the main house

**Oaklands Llangollen Road Trevor P/2017/1024 GRANTED**

Notification of proposed works to tree within Pontcysyllte Conservation Area -Removal of 1 No. Laurel Shrub

**Sycamore Cottage B5434 from George Ave.to Cysyllian Bridge Pontcysyllte P/2017/1052 GRANTED**

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Erection of single garage

**Woodlands Road Froncysyllte P/2017/0910 PENDING**

Display of various advertisements (included as part of wider signage scheme across the site)

**Trevor Basin off Station Road Trevor Llangollen P/2018/0028 PENDING****9. Correspondence****WCBC**

Request for up-to date Councillors details -sent  
SLA Playgrounds 2018/2019 - see agenda item 15

**One Voice Wales**

Recommending the allocation of a budget for payments of Councillors allowances if approved

Training courses

Review of the Local Council Sector survey

Proposals to tackle crime and poor performance in the waste sector

Welsh Government's Bee Friendly Scheme

Guidance in relation to the General Data Protection Regulation

Future Generations Framework

**SLCC**

General Data Protection Regulation

**Information Commissioner's Office**

Newsletter

**Planning Aid Wales**

Training courses

**Welsh Assembly**

Independent Review Panel Events

Confirmation of new Welsh taxes

**Welsh Language Commissioner**

Guidance on forming a Welsh Language Scheme

**Community Health Council**

Options Paper on the 'Performers List' arrangements

**Sovereign**

Offering quotes for playground projects

**Wales Centre for Public Policy**

The implications of Brexit for Agriculture, Rural Areas and Land Use in Wales

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

**10. Footpaths & Roadways**

Nothing to report

**11. Projects 2017/2018**

Nothing to report

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**12. Community Agent**

The Clerk reported that a Community Agent had been appointed and would start in post on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 for 12 months. She would be undertaking an induction with Nigel Davies and the DBS check would be done by AVOW, with the cost recharged to the

Council. The Clerk would meet with the Community Agent following her induction to provide timesheets, travel claim forms and to arrange the provision of a lap-top and mobile phone. The Clerk and the Community Agent would then meet regularly to discuss any issues, provide assistance and to monitor the schemes success. The Clerk was asked to invite the Community Agent to the next Council meeting.

### **13. Meetings / Training**

#### **Meetings:**

The Clerk attended a meeting of the Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum on behalf of the Chairman on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018. The meeting was to consider the 'Planning Applications for Community Councils' item which was considered at the December meeting. The Planning Department want all Community Councils to access Planning Applications on-line to save the time and cost of sending out paper copies. Notes of the meeting would be circulated to Councillors.

### **14. Noddfa Cemetery Report**

The next meeting would be in March on a date to be arranged.

### **15. Playgrounds**

The recently received SLA for the inspection and maintenance of play areas was considered and it was decided to accept this for 2018/19.

The Clerk was asked to request quotations for groundwork for a 2 year period.

### **16. Newsletter**

The deadline for items for the Newsletter had been extended to 25<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

### **17. Finance**

The clerk provided copies of the accounts as at end of January 2018, including receipts for 2017/18, a bank reconciliation, and budget monitoring of income and expenditure against the budget/precept. It was noted that the Council had not yet received £1500 from the Underneath the Arches event in 2017. The clerk would contact WCBC to request payment.

The next Finance meeting will be held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00am Garth & Trevor Community centre.

### **18. Donations**

Requests for funding had been received from:

1<sup>st</sup> Trevor Scout Group  
The National Eisteddfod  
Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod  
Family Friends for 5's to 11's.  
Tiddlywinks Baby and Toddler Group

The applications were considered and it was decided to grant £100 each to 1<sup>st</sup> Trevor Scout Group, Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod, and Tiddlywinks Baby and Toddler Group.

### **20. 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 7pm at Garth & Trevor Community Centre on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018.