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## Quiz

Jan & Dave would like to thank everyone who helped raise £50 for the Movement Centre Orthopaedic Hospital Gobowen by entering their Spring Break 2014 Quiz. Trevor Telecottage was buzzing, internet overheating, computers melting trying to answer questions on where they were. Everyone did really well. Winners were Kim Larwood and Stan Jones with 28 maximum points.



## Update on the save Plas Madoc Group

The setting up of the social enterprise entity to take over the running of the Leisure Centre is still progressing. The new Company, "Splash Community Trust" is now officially formed and a bank account is being set up to take the receipts from fund raising activities. Board members have visited Cwmbran, Sheffield and Harlech getting advice off people who have already set up similar enterprises. As we are going to press, forthcoming activities include a Quiz night on Friday 23rd May. One of the principal organisers is Greg Ogden from Trevor and it is hoped these events will be a success and generate funds for the re-opening of Plas Madoc. Your continued support is vital.

## **Cakes and Company**

Volunteer Shirley Bull with Darby and Joan member Carol Duff in the Community Sensory Garden. Fron Derby and Joan were one of the good causes in the village to receive a cheque for £300 from Cakes and Company.



## Chairman's Corner

Councillor Mrs Joyce Evans

As the new Chairman of the Llangollen Rural Community Council, I would like to thank our retiring Chairman Cllr. Glyn Jones for all his hard work during the last twelve months.

It has been over 30 years since I became a Councillor for the Llangollen Rural Community Council, and looking back I can say I have enjoyed working alongside many councillors and clerks over this period of time. There have been quite a few changes to the role of a Community Councillor in the last thirty years and there will be a lot more to come, alongside many challenges.

We have been successful in obtaining two grants in the last six months and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Councillor Pat Jeffares and our clerk Sue Jones for their help in achieving this by attending many meetings and form filling. The first is a grant from W.R.E.N. to upgrade the Trevor Play Ground, work on which is due to start in September. The second is the Fron Boer War Memorial Fountain which will be renovated starting in May. We are also painting and having new seating installed at the Garth War Memorial.

Due to budget cuts within Wrexham County Borough Council grass cutting will now only take place twice a year. We have been lucky that volunteers Mrs Val Watts and friends from Trevor and Mr Terry Thelwell from Fron have kindly offered to cut the grass on Trevor estate and in Fron. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them and their friends for doing this as it is no small task.

We have received £150.00 in Garden Vouchers from which the clerk of the council has bought plants and seeds which have been planted in Fron, Garth and Trevor. To finish, the new Community Council web site www.llangollen-ruralcc.co.uk has gone live and if you have the opportunity please take a look.

## **Community Planting Day**

Planting of pots and containers will take place in the local community during early June. The initiative led by Llangollen Rural Community Council in partnership with Wrexham County Borough Council and Derwen College. Derwen College provide opportunities for young people with learning disabilities to learn in real work environments, as well as achieving their full potential educationally, vocationally and socially. If anyone can spare an hour or two during Friday 30th May and week commencing 2nd June to help plant the containers we would be most grateful. If you can help please contact Sue Jones 01978 810466.







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## **Trevor Bowlers Update**

By Moira Griffiths

Now that the crown green season has started, Trevor bowlers are active once again in two local clubs.

The Plaskynaston club have a team in the Wrexham Saturday league and although they were relegated to division two at the end of last season they are performing well. They also have two teams (A and B) in the Oswestry league and they play in different divisions on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, so far with mixed results. Both teams will meet twice during the season in their respective divisions.

The Royston club also has two teams that play in the Oswestry league on Wednesdays and Thursdays. They also have two teams that play in the Wrexham Vets league on Tuesday afternoons. Both teams are holding their own.

If anyone would like to play for Plaskynaston in the Wrexham Pairs league then please contact Joyce Evans on 823244. The games are held on Monday evenings and games are competitive but friendly.

## **Towpath maintenance**

By Moira Griffiths

With the ongoing work on Postle's bridge, the Canal & River Trust is starting a few small projects to tidy up the surrounding area. The first of these is the painting of the handrail that leads towards the bridge from bridge 31 at the basin.

My C&RT colleagues and I recently donned our tatty clothes to make a start on rubbing down the old paintwork. The wire brushes soon made short work of the flaky paint and within an hour the rail was ready for



painting with Hammerite. Within another hour the paint was dry to the touch and has made the handrail look more respectable.

We will be making a start on tidying up Postle's bridge in the next few weeks but in the meantime it's back to litter picking and tidying up around the basin.

## Community Art project- underway!

May the 10th saw the first event of the Community Art project for the World Heritage Site happen. People were given the opportunity to meet the artist who will work with the Aqueducks 'Friends of the World Heritage site' and Wrexham Council World Heritage Site Community Development Officer, Ceri Postle. There will be plenty more opportunities to get involved over the coming months with the project which will make the lane between Trevor Wharf and Wimbourne Gate car park (Queen Street, Cefn Mawr) more welcoming for all, and will hopefully encourage visitors to explore our World Heritage Site and to use the Wimbourne Gate car park. The project will run between May and October 2014, Further information and interactive community sessions will be advertised locally, for more information on the project, please feel free to contact, Ceri Postle ceri.postle@wrexham.gov.uk or (01978) 292450





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## **Mobile Library**

The mobile library will still be calling every three weeks on a Tuesday:

Garth Rockman's Arms	9.30 to 10.10
Garth Primary School	10.15 to 11.00
Pentre Village School	11.20 to 12.00
Trevor Community Centre	1.15 to 2.15
Rhosymedre Community Centre	2.30 to 3.45
Fron Lay-by by Cliff's Cafe	4.00 to 4.40

## 2014: Tuesday 17th June. 8th & 29th July, &19th August.

Any queries regarding the operating of this route should be referred to Rhos Library 01978 840328.

## **Church Services**

**Trevor Church** Weekly at 9.30am First and Third Sunday of each month Holy Eucharist. Second Sunday Morning Prayer Fourth Sunday Family Service. Fifth Sunday June 29th will be in St.Collens for a United service for the Llangollen Parish

## St David's Church Froncysyllte

9.30 am Family Communion every Sunday, except the last Sunday in the month, when the service is a Family Service.

## **1st Trevor Scout Group**

Elaine Anderson Group Scout Leader

Firstly I would like to thank everyone who either donated prizes or bought raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle, this raised  $\pounds120$  for the group, brilliant.

The Beavers and Cubs sections are both working on their Readers Badges and both had an interesting evening visiting Cefn Library, many thanks to the staff there. Beavers will be going on a sleepover at the end of May, these are very much enjoyed. Both Cubs and Beavers are trying to organise a fun day out and sleepover in our HQ in July.

We had our AGM recently.

Beaver of the year was Daisy Valentine of Garth

Cub of the Year was James Coyle of Trevor

Both these young people had worked very hard and deserved their trophies and recognition.

Elected officers.

Chairperson. Noeleen Thelwell

Secretary. Jess Hart

Treasurer. Sally Roberts

Plus election of committee members.

Councillor Pat Jeffares presented the Group with a cheque for £60, this was gratefully received, and we are very grateful for his continued support.

Our new kitchen is almost complete, thanks to Pete Roberts of Trevor, who acted as Project Manager and worker, thanks Pete. At the end of this month, we will be having the main hall decorated thanks to a kind donation.

We are having a Fun Day at our HQ on Saturday 12th July 10-2pm, games , BBQ and liquid refreshments are available, open to all.

Finally our next Bingo will be Wednesday June 11th, eyes down 7.30pm, the more the merrier.

## **Tiddlywinks Toddler Group**

By Lynne Nash

Tiddlywinks toddler group have been busy tidying up their garden. They had great fun removing all the weeds and planting some beautiful flowers and seeds. Thanks to the help of the parents and grandparents their garden now looks amazing and colourful with bird tables, windmills and scarecrows.

The toddler group also enjoyed an Easter egg hunt and some crafts during the Easter holiday period.

Tiddlywinks toddler group is on every Wednesday 11.45am-1.45pm with a light lunch and refreshments given. There has been a slight increase in price to £2.00 a child and 50p for each additional sibling.

Tiddlywinks Toddler Group will be closed this year during the summer holidays at the community centre however we will



still remain to meet up during the month of August for morning outings. Our last session at the community centre will be on Wednesday 16th July 2014 and we will RETURN on Wednesday 3rd September 11.45-1.45pm.

## Here is the Itinerary for Meeting up during the month of August......

**Wednesday 6th August** – We will be holding our TODDLE WADDLE fundraising event at Ty Mawr. It will be a sponsored walk and it is to raise awareness for meningitis (picnic optional) 10am-12pm meeting at car park....weather permitting. This is a great opportunity to get involved in a great fundraising event. Call in at the toddler group for more information.

**Wednesday 13th August**– Llangollen Park (picnic optional) 10am meeting up at Park.....weather permitting.

Wednesday 20th August – The Venue, Nr Oswestry 10am.

Wednesday 27th August – Park Hall Farm.n10am meeting outside farm...weather permitting.

Thank you for your continued support from all at Tiddlywinks Toddler Group. Contact Lynne Nash for further information on 07870656180.

## Bird list / Garden list:

By Julie Williams

Blue Tit, Blackbird, Blackcap, Buzzard, Bullfinch, Coal Tit, Chaffinch, Chiffchaff, Collared Dove, Crow, Greenfinch, Goldfinch, Greater Spotted Woodpecker, Great Tit, Hedge Sparrow, Heron, House Sparrow, Jackdaw, Jay, Linnet, Long Tailed Tit, Magpie, Nuthatch, Pied Wagtail, Red Legged Partridge, Redpoll, Robin, Rook, Siskin, Song Thrush, Sparrow Hawk, Tree Creeper, Tawny Owl, Wren, Woodpigeon, Willow Tit.

Highlights – Red Legged Partridge and Linnets. As we enter May a number of birds have paired up and are rearing young.

## Llangollen Rural Community Council – AGM

At the Annual General Meeting in May Cllr. Glyn Jones was thanked for all the work he had done during his year in office. Cllr. Mrs Joyce Evans was unanimously elected as Chairman and Cllr. Elfed Morris as Vice Chairman. Cllr. Glyn Jones was re-elected as Chairman of the Finance Committee and Cllr. Elfed Morris as Chairman of the Noddfa Cemetery Committee. Other Councillors were elected as representatives on various other committees and organisations.



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## **Cheese pinwheel scones**

By Jan Norman

250g / 9 ozs self raising flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
30g / 1 oz unsalted butter
185ml / 6 fl oz milk
120g / 4 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> ozs grated strong cheese
Optional 2 tablespoons chopped chives or flat-leaf parsley

Preheat oven to 210c fan190c (Gas 7)

Sift the flour, baking powder and a pinch of salt into a large mixing bowl rub in butter until the mixture resembles breadcrumbs, add the milk mix to form a soft dough, add a little flour if the dough is too sticky

Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and roll out to form a rectangle approx. 20 x 25 cm (8 x 10inch) Sprinkle the cheese and chives or parsley (optional) . Starting from the long side roll the dough into a cylinder cut into 10 equal slices Transfer the slices to a baking tray, bake for 10 - 12mins until golden and cooked through. Cool on a wire rack.

## An urgent appeal.

By Sue Kempster

The Aqueduct Community Association is an organisation that brings together the villages of Garth Trevor and Fron under one umbrella. It's aims are to inform, engage and support the villages and the Community Council in any way that it can. A prime example of this is the excellent grass cutting scheme set up in Trevor by Val Watts and this is a huge boost to the community at this time.

Unfortunately we have lost two officers in the last two months and urgently need to find replacements. There will be an Extraordinary AGM before the June meeting of this organisation please come along and support us as you will find fellowship fun and most of all an opportunity to contribute something to our community.

We can find a job that suits just about anyone but in case you don't want to volunteer you can come along just to listen and voice your opinion. Everyone is welcome

Aqueduct Community Association Extraordinary AGM June 17th 2014 at 7.00pm Venue, Garth and Trevor Community Centre Contact Sue Kempster 01978 810302.

## Fron Walking Group (Walkabout Wrexham & District)

By Julie Williams

We wish to thank the members of St David's Church Fron for providing us with refreshments after our walk in March.

## **History Cabinet**

This year, the cabinet will reflect how conflicts have affected the village. If anyone has anything they would like to put in the cabinet or any memories they wish to share, please contact Julie on Williams-julie@hotmail.com

## St David's Church

On Saturday 21st June a Summer Fayre will be held in Fron Community Centre. Stalls, refreshments, raffle. All welcome. 12noon – 4pm.

## Seion Chapel

On Thursday 17th July at 7pm, a Concert will be held at Seion Chapel to commemorate the centenary of the start of the First World War and to remember the sacrifice made by those who have served in conflicts since then. Admission by ticket only, which will be available from Fron Post Office nearer the date. Taking part will be the Dee Valley Schools Choir, the Dee Valley Community Choir and James Lambert Singers.

## **Cakes and Company**

Cakes & Co has reopened for the Season. We are open most weekends from 12noon until 4pm. If you have a few hours to spare on a Saturday or Sunday and would like to help in the Cafe, or bake a cake, please call in and have a chat. Proceeds from the cafe go to help local causes in the village of Froncysyllte. 'Tea and Coffee .50p'



Photo of John Parry, as a child, singing in Fron school yard, Eisteddfod week.

## **Fron Community Centre**

Will be having centre meetings on 26th June, 25th September and 11th December and all are welcome to attend.

The centre is available for hire and can be hired by contacting

Community.centre@yahoo.co.uk or tel/text 07795183756

## **Fron School**

By Cath Jones Assistant Headteacher

This year we are celebrating 150 years of FRONCYSYLLTE CP SCHOOL. We have already had some events to mark this milestone in our school's history. We have visited Erddig Hall where the children enjoyed a truly Victorian experience, working hard cooking and cleaning throughout the day. Children and adults dressed in Victorian costumes and took on the roles of a Victorian household within the Hall. The PTFA, launched our year with a Victorian Day at school. We had lunch on a Victorian Afternoon tea party theme which was open to all children, parents and the community. Victorian themed workshops included peg doll making and Victorian yard games. This term, we plan to hold a Victorian Fun Day, with traditional stalls and games, including Punch and Judy. Afternoon teas will also be served to parents and members of the community by the School Council. We are looking forward to this grand finale to our birthday celebrations and an invitation to share in the fun and come together goes to the whole community. So please try to join us on Friday 4th July from 1.30 pm.

**Afterschool Club** is well attended and the children have been enjoying the weekly activities including cookery, puppet making and outdoor games. The club continues to thrive and is popular with all our children. The club has room for 24 places, which we ask to be pre-booked. The club is open to all children aged 3 to 11 years from 3.15 to 5.10 pm.

We are planning to run a Summer Club open to all children in the area so look out for further information or contact the school directly.

**Hopscotch/Nursery Plus** has continued to be a popular extension to our nursery provision as it allows children to stay at school all day. It is so beneficial to the children, as they are familiar with the setting and the staff before joining our nursery. Children are welcome to attend from the age of 2 and a half. Sessions run from 1.00pm to 3.15 pm. (nursery children 11.30-3.15pm)

Hopscotch provides a much needed service, enabling parents to leave their child in a safe and stimulating environment that is of the highest quality.



## **Garth School**

Cath Ivanhoff Assistant Headteacher

It is our final term in Garth School and we have all been working hard in class and producing some wonderful work. We are all enjoying the lovely weather at the moment as it allows us to continue to use our Outdoor Door Learning Area. The children love using this area and the garden to explore and look for mini beasts with Mrs Davies.

We have enjoyed lots of exciting and fun activities this term. Mr Ryan is so pleased with his Year 3 & 4 pupils, who have just completed some wonderful projects on 'The Victorians'. He said that the detail and presentation of these projects were of a very high standard, so well done Year 3 & 4!!

Our Year 5 & 6 pupils have been enjoying their topic on World War 2. They have been researching using a wide range of sources to produce some wonderful work. They have been writing their own evacuation letters and their own interpretations of Anne Frank's diary. I have really enjoyed reading them all, so well done!!

Sports Day will be soon upon us. All of the staff, children and parents enjoy this event. We just hope that the weather stays on our side.

## Fron Walkers – Beating of the Bounds

Instigated three years ago by the Rev. Tony Rees, now retired, the annual 'Beating of the Bounds' walk took place as planned by the Fron Walking Group despite no member of the clergy being available to lead it. However, Shirley Bull, an active participant in services at St David's Church, very kindly stood in and asked for blessing on our village at four points of our ancient boundaries. On returning to Cakes and Company Community Cafe, Shirley cut the commemorative cake, made by Dave and Janet Norman. Gail Brett, won the prize for the best decorated stick, judged by Clr. Geraint Roberts.



## **Community Litter Pick**

The Aqueduct Community Association, the WCBC World Heritage Site Community Development officer and Shane Hughes from Keep Wales Tidy will be litter picking in the local area on Saturday the 5th July, starting from Trevor Basin car park at 10am- have you got time to join us?, a warm welcome awaits, equipment and refreshments provided.



## **Aqueducts Community Association**

By Val Watts

## HELP

You may have noticed a small group of volunteers cutting the grass in Trevor. This is due to the fact that Wrexham County Borough Council are only going to cut the grass in open areas twice a year.

If anyone has a few hours to spare on a Wednesday or Thursday morning (weather permitting) and willing to join us and help keep the village looking tidy and cared for, have a cup of tea and a chat afterwards can you please contact Val (01978 8227156) or Myra (01978 822226).

A big thank you to Bernie, Russ, Jack, Adie and Brian for all your help and hard work.

## **Homelink Library Service**

If you are disabled or have difficulty getting to your local library a Homelink library service is provided by Wrexham County. This offers a home visit every four weeks and provides access to the whole range of library and reference services, including books, Audios, CDs and DVDs.

For further details contact Wrexham Library 01978 292090 and ask for Ellen Edwards who looks after the Homelink Service.

The dates of visits to your area for the next three months are as follows:

## Wednesday's 25th June, 23nd July, 20th August.

### The Towers Day Nursery

By Ruth Roberts

Since the last newsletter, the nursery has had a C.S.S.I.W.Baseline Inspection. The Inspector looked at the Quality of Life for the children, which was found to be excellent; and the Quality of Staffing which was found to be of a very high standard. The leadership and management of the nursery was praised and the internal and external environments were found to be pleasing with good use of all areas.

We are currently upgrading the garden and car park area and making improvements to the rear access. This will enable us to make better use of the garden when carrying out topic work. The current topic is Water; the children are busy looking at forms of life found in the sea and in fresh water. There will also be plenty of opportunity for "water play" outside!

Two new apprentices have just started working at the nursery as part of the Jobs Growth Wales initiative, which provides opportunities for young people to experience the world of work and at the same time work towards gaining a recognised qualification. Our partnership agreements with Coleg Cambria, Dinas Bran and Ysgol Rhiwabon are working really well, and a German student has also been placed at the nursery from Ectarc in Llangollen.

All new children have now settled in very well and are coping well with the nursery routine.

## **Telecottage News**

Computer sessions at the Telecottage attached to the Garth & Trevor Community Centre, are well attended.

Times will be as follows:-

Mondays 11am - 1 pm and 1pm – 3pm

Thursdays 1pm - 3pm

There are sessions for absolute beginners and those who just want to improve their skills, what ever your level, we would be pleased to see you. (Delwyn, Dave and Shaun).

The Computer classes will not run in the months of July and August and will restart the first week of September.

For more information call Delwyn on 01978-810119.

## Bird Watch – Trevor

By Anne Arnold

Sparrows, Blackbirds, Ducks, Magpies, Crows, Great Tit, Blue Tit, Goldfinches, Thrush, Bullfinch, Tree-creeper, Greenfinch, Redpoll, Sparrow Hawk, Siskins, Robins, Geese, Heron, Pheasant, Wood Pigeon, Collared Doves, Nuthatch, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Jays, Starlings, Green Woodpecker & Buzzards,

## **Police Matters**

By PCSO David Jenkins

The last few months has seen a relatively low level of crime and antisocial behaviour reported in Llangollen Rural and subsequently current concerns of residents appear to be the usual suspects of dog fouling, littering, speeding and parking. Whilst these issues are actively being targeted as local priorities we should all continue the good work of taking all possible common sense precautions to prevent opportunist crime and not create tempting situations. Recently there have been instances of unlocked vehicles left unattended and with valuables on view where the driver has had to be advised and the practice of leaving engines running whilst cars are unattended can still be found. In these instances many drivers will find that insurance companies will not pay out due to the driver not taking reasonable precautions.

The proliferation of on-line shopping and the ever increasing use of computers in our daily life have unfortunately increased our risk of becoming victim of fraud or scams. Anything that appears to be 'too good to be true' is generally so and care should be taken in providing any financial or personal details. If you do not feel comfortable about a method of buying or selling it is best to seek advice and try to deal with a payment method you can trust.

If you feel you have been the victim of fraud or internet crime this can be reported to **Action Fraud** on 0300 123 2040 or at www.actionfraud.org.uk. Trading Standards can also be helpful to report suspicious activities to and can be contacted through Wrexham Council.

If you would like more detailed crime prevention advice or have any other matter which you would like to discuss then please contact myself, PCSO David Jenkins on 07854332425 or e-mail me at david.jenkins@nthwales.pnn.police.uk

If you need to report any non-emergency incidents please call 101 , or 999 in an emergency.

## **Garth & Trevor Community Centre**

Looking for a venue for your meetings or party? Look no further as Garth & Trevor Community Centre has seating for up to one hundred at tables with crockery, cutlery and large tables. Why not have your children's party here? Or why not have your anniversary party here, save on bar prices and bring your own?

To book or check availability ring Mrs Joyce Evans 01978 823244

## **Best Kept Garden Competition**

We are delighted that keen gardeners Andrea Evans and Tony Roberts have agreed to judge the garden competition again this year. Andrea has been on the Wales in Bloom team all the way through toplanting flowers and vegetables. She has a passion for plants and runs her own gardening business. Tony is a very good vegetable gardener and has his own allotment at Price's Lane. They form an excellent judging team and we look forward to taking them around your wonderful creations!

Llangollen Rural Community Council Best Kept Garden Competition 2014 Application Form.			
Address:			
 Tel. No			
* Categories are:-			
Overall Large Garden	Overall Small Garden	Vegetable Garden	
Hanging Basket	Container.	Children's Garden	

#### \*Please circle category(ies) entered.

Garden Centre Vouchers will be awarded to the winners in each category.

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the most outstanding feature and the Monsanto rose bowl for the best garden.

#### The gardens will be judged on Friday 11th July 2014.

The competition is open to all residents in Fron, Garth, Tower Hill and Trevor.

If you are interested in applying please complete the application form. Forms will also be available from Councillors and the Clerk.

This year we are repeating the category called Children's Garden. This can be a garden, pots or containers etc. as long as the children have planted them themselves and can explain to the judges what they have done. This is open to Schools, Nurseries and After School Clubs.

Please return the completed form to: Mrs Sue Jones, 1 Ael Y Bryn, Llangollen Road, Trevor by Monday 7th July 2014. For further information please phone 01978 810466

## **County Councillor's Diary**

This is a brief update of the ongoing issues within the Llangollen Rural Ward.

**Community Council AGM** Councillor Mrs Joyce Evans was installed as the new Chairperson for the ensuing year, I would like to wish our new chair every success during her term of office. Councillor Elfed Morris was elected as the Vice Chair. I would like to say a special thanks to the outgoing Chairman Mr Glyn Jones who did a great job during his term, it was a pleasure to work with him and my fellow Councillors. I would also like to say a big thank you to our Clerk Mrs Sue Jones who works extremely hard, looking after the books, and keeping us in order, as always she does far more than beyond her call of duty.

Wrexham Council have now put the grass cutting onto us. I would like to thank Val Watts and other members of Aqueduct Association, and other residents who have now taken over this role. A lawn mower was bought, and a great job is being done, I have never seen the Trevor area look so clean and tidy, and also thank you to all our volunteers, who work all year round in the ward. Likewise in Froncysyllte, I would like to thank Mr Terry Thelwell for all his hard work for keeping the grass and area tidy around the Community Centre.

I have been very busy the last couple of months fighting with the Wrexham Council to Save Plas Madoc, with Darrell Wright, Alison Roberts, Greg Ogden, and their great team. I wish them every success to get the Centre re-opened, I will do all I can to help, they have my full support. I am trying to save our rural buses, they have stopped bus 65 to Garth. I will be talking to operators, the council, and our A.M Ken Skates. We are waiting to see what can be done to restore this service.

Myself, the Clerk, and members of the Community were invited to a Scrutiny Meeting about charging for the toilets, and car parking around the Trevor Basin area. Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster spoke very well on behalf of the Community Council, charges for the toilets were agreed, on the terms they employ local people to carry out these duties. The car parking charges have been deferred. I am attending another meeting on the 12th June to discuss the overall plan. This will also include the major parking issues in and around Fron Basin.

**Skip Day** This will be held on the 4th June, flyers will be posted through your doors with all the details.

**Good News!!** We have been successful with our bid to refurbish Trevor Estate Playground. We have been awarded 45K, and it's a big thank you to our local children, Garth School, Mrs Sue Jones the clerk to the Community Council, and Wrexham Council for all their hard work.

Call Centre Numbers: If you can't contact me, it has now proved that if you contact the call centre on any issues that this is the quickest way to get them resolved. As it is logged and has to be dealt within a time limit. **Phone number: 01978 298989.** For Council tenants, the same applies for any issues regarding repairs etc. **Phone: 08000 855808 this is free on a landline phone.** When reporting street lights out, please quote the number on the post.

Any problems don't hesitate to contact me. Pat Jeffares 01978 820570

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