

Llangollen Rural Community Council
36/18
Minutes of Meeting held in Garth & Trevor Community Centre
On Tuesday 5th March 2019

Present

Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster
Cllr. Elfed Morris
Cllr. Steve Edwards
Cllr. Keith Sinclair
Cllr. Rod Playford

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

Chairman: Cllr. Elfed Morris - Items 1, 2 and 3
Cllr. Mrs S Kempster - Items 4 to 20

Clerk: Andrea Evans

1. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declaration of Interest

Cllr. Mrs S Kempster declared an interest in Item 3 - family connection with the person requesting to speak.

3. Pump Field Garth

The Chairman invited Mr Tony Jones of Garth to address Councillors. Firstly Mr Jones apologised to Cllr. E Morris for the language he used in their exchange at the Pump Field on 21st February. Mr Jones said he was concerned about parking in Garth and wanted to know if the Community Council had title to any land in Fron, Garth and Trevor. He wanted to know if the Council or WCBC had the title to the Pump Field.

Mr Jones asked what right the Council had to place bollards, a seat and a planter on the land. It was decided to reply to Mr Jones when the Council had information to answer his questions.

4. Community Agent

During February the Community Agent received one new referral and continued to support residents by following up on referrals. The drop-in at Llangollen Surgery continued and a Cluster meeting was held there.

Local Community Agents met with Tesco's Community Liaison Officer and were made aware of the support Tesco gives to the community. Lynda met with OPL Engagement Officer to discuss ideas for the Heritage site which will involve the community.

It was decided to apply for the grant of £299 from WCBC Adult Social Care to purchase an iPad/tablet for the Community Agent. The vacancy has been advertised and it was decided that the Clerk, Cllr. A Winn and Cllr. S Edwards would carry out the shortlisting and interview.

Cllr Sinclair asked if the email address for the Community Agent could be changed to reflect the whole area. The Clerk would find out the volume of emails received to establish the level of disruption that may be caused by changing the address.

5. Police Matters

The PCSO was unable to attend the meeting but had provided a report which was read out by the Clerk. Between 1st February and 2nd March, 2019 the following were reported:

One report of ASB on social media

One theft from a vehicle

Positive drug warrant carried out in Llangollen Rural

The Clerk had reported a suspicious character hanging around Froncysyllte Community Centre, and a van travelling the wrong way down the one-way system in Trevor to the PCSO. The PCSO had informed the Clerk that reported issues have been passed to colleagues.

6. Work log -Action Plan

The work log was updated.

The Clerk informed Councillors that the speed sign should be delivered by the middle of March.

County Cllr. A Roberts had discussed the problems reported on the Ochr with WCBC, and had requested that the situation was resolved. It was decided that Cllr. Roberts would email Roger Davies, Cllr Bithell and Darren Green to ask for a representative of WCBC to meet with the Council about the outstanding issues. The Clerk would also email WCBC supporting this.

Regarding dog fouling in the area, WCBC have not appointed anyone to carry out enforcement. Cllr Roberts agreed to fix signs at the top and bottom of the Clinker path to deter dog fouling.

Regarding updating bus timetables at bus stops, the Clerk had not received the keys from Andrew Mytton of WCBC. Cllr Roberts had obtained stickers from WCBC showing the website details for bus services, which were intended for use at bus-stops. WCBC no longer update timetables or fix the cases at stops. Cllr Playford offered to prepare an article about bus services for the next newsletter.

7. Members' Urgent Reports

The timbers of the flower bed at Hafryn flats in Garth were rotten and need replacing. Two quotations for the work had been received and Councillors decided to accept the lowest of these.

Two seats in the area which had been identified as unsafe had been fixed.

Cllr. Sinclair reported that he was trying to set up a meeting with Froncysyllte School to discuss access to the school field.

Cllr. Mrs J Evans requested that the Clerk ask WCBC to trim the trees outside the Community Centre and sweep the roads in Trevor.

8. 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.

9. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Cllr. Sinclair updated members on the meeting he and the Clerk had with McDonalds in February. McDonalds had agreed to carry out a litter pick on 14th March in Froncysyllte, Trevor and Garth, and possibly one in September. McDonalds were also interested in getting involved in the community by providing talks about litter in local schools and possibly a poster competition. Cllr. Sinclair agreed to speak to McDonalds about this.

Regarding the signage on the slip road by the house "Sheppardswood" between Garth Road and Llangollen Road, this was reported to WCBC and has been actioned.

The Clerk has reported to WCBC that a builder's merchant bag full of rubbish has been left on the A5 footpath next to the crossing in Froncysyllte.

10. Planning

Erection of detached garage, WC with office area over
The Towers Day Nursery, Llangollen Road, Trevor, Wrexham P/2019/0151 PENDING

Side garage extension
Sycamore Cottage, The Slip, Trevor, Wrexham P/2018/0835 GRANTED

Display of tourist information sign
Visitor Car Park, Land North of Trevor Basin, Off Tower Hill, Trevor, Wrexham P/2018/1066 GRANTED

11. Correspondence

Wrexham CBC
Street Lighting LED Project
Safe Places

One Voice Wales

Membership renewal letter
Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015 training 7th March 2019 in Mold
Presentation from the Wales Audit Office

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Egni Co-op Solar Power
Request for OVW representative on the Betsi Cadwaladr Stake Holder Group

Senedd and Elections (Wales) bill to introduce Votes at 16
Innovative Practice Awards Ceremony 28th March 2019

Welsh Government

Funding support available in 2019-20 for Joint Arrangements

Arcadis

Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal World Heritage Site Management Plan

IRPW

Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report - February 2019

Ken Skates

E-newsletters 08/02/19, 22/02/19

North Wales Police

Reorganisation of Wrexham Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team
Burglaries involving elderly residents
Crime Commissioner's Charity Concert

Play Wales

E-bulletin February 2019, E-bulletin March 2019

NWCHC

All Wales GP Out of Hours Survey 2019

Planning Aid Wales

Planning4Communities - February 2019

Wales Air Ambulance

Appeal and annual accounts

Sunshine Gym

Active spaces

The correspondence was made available for perusal by Councillors, and copies had been e-mailed.

12. Footpaths & Roadways

WCBC has dealt with the issues identified at the footpath opposite the playground in Garth. Councillors expressed their thanks to Cllr. S Jones for identifying the problems.

Cllr. Roberts organised the removal of the rubble on the footpath near Pen-Y-Bont bungalows by WCBC.

Councillors decided to accept the quotation received for the maintenance of Community seats.

13. Projects 2018/2019

Nothing to report.

14. Meetings / Training

It was decided that the Clerk would arrange a 'Safe Places' presentation by WCBC.

15. Noddfa Cemetery

A request had been received from a stone-mason to place a heather blue tablet in the Garden of Remembrance and also a desk shaped tablet. The Clerk had requested photographs and dimensions of the tablets. Cllr. Morris said he would visit the stonemason to see the tablets in question.

16. Playground

Regarding Garth playground and the two outstanding issues that the Clerk has been trying to resolve with HAGS, it appears that the rep for the area has left the company and this is why the previously arranged

39/18 meeting was cancelled. The Clerk has obtained new contact information for the person who has taken over dealing with the work in our area, and emailed asking that the issues are resolved.

The Clerk has requested a quote from Rainbow Safety Surfacing to resurface the whole play area at the Community Centre. Councillors discussed the quotations and it was decided that the Clerk would ask for further information regarding warranties before a final decision is made.

17. Newsletter

The spring newsletter is currently at the printers.

18. Website

The Council website is now operational. A query has been received from a local historian about the history of 'The Clinker' included on the website and it was decided to use the history provided by the local historian.

19. Finance

Financial statements are included as at the end February 2019:

Receipts for 2018/19; bank reconciliation; and budget monitoring against precept and receipts.

Payments for authorisation:

1 st Trevor Scout Group	102145	£100.00
Aqueduct Community Association	102146	£100.00
Froncysyllte Darby & Joan Club	102147	£100.00
Cefn Mawr Welsh Society	102148	£100.00
Llangollen Int. Musical Eisteddfod	102149	£100.00
Tiddlywinks Baby & Toddler Group	102150	£100.00
Trevor Indoor Bowls Club	102151	£100.00
D Lewis	102152	£130.00
Information Commissioner	102153	£40.00
Wales Audit Office	102154	£182.75
One Voice Wales	102155	£273.00
P Ankers	102156	£246.26
J Evans	102157	NJC
L Broe	102158	NJC
S Jones	102159	£120.00
R Playford	102160	£120.00
S Kempster	102161	£300.00
L Broe	102162	£8.10
J Evans	102163	£67.62
P Green	102164	£80.00
Total		£3,373.50

To ensure compliance with pension legislation the Council decided to use NEST, the government minimum contribution provider, in order to enrol any eligible employees.

The Council approved the appointment of JDH Services as internal auditors

20. Donations

Requests for donations have been received from Froncysyllte School, Hopscotch Community Playgroup and Froncysyllte Afterschool Club. The applications were considered and it was decided to grant £100 each to Hopscotch Community Playgroup and Froncysyllte Afterschool Club.

21. 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 Garth and Trevor Community Centre on Tuesday 2nd April 2019.