

Llangollen Rural Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held at the Garth & Trevor Community Centre
Tuesday 4th April 2023

30/22

Present

Cllr. Elfed Morris
Cllr. Darrell Wright
Cllr. Mrs Moira Griffiths
Cllr. Mrs R Allen

Cllr. Mrs S Kempster
Cllr. Steve Jones
Cllr. Dave Metcalfe
Cllr. Phil Jones

Chairman: Cllr. Mrs S Kempster

Clerk: Andrea Evans

1. Apologies for absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllr. Keith Sinclair and Cllr. Mrs S Williams.

2. Minutes of the last council meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 7th March 2023 had been distributed and were accepted as a true record. The minutes were signed accordingly by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Public Participation

None

5. Member's Urgent Reports

Cllr. Mrs S Kempster reported that the planters at the top of Station Road, at either side of the entrance to the old railway line, were the responsibility of the Community Council. One planter had been damaged during an RTC, but it was acknowledged that the wooden sleepers were rotting. It was agreed that Cllr. Mrs R Allen would ask Keep Wales Tidy if any grants were available to reinstate the planter.

6. Police Report

The police report had been sent to Councillors and this was discussed.

7. Update on the Community Agent's scheme

The Clerk had not yet received confirmation of funding for 2023/24 from WCBC. The Community Agent reported to Members that she was in the process of setting up a Brunch Club at the Garth & Trevor Community Centre. She had assisted clients with attendance allowance and energy contribution claims, and the number of clients assisted had doubled since December 2022.

8. Update from the Clerk on the work log

The Clerk provided an update on the work log and this was discussed.

Parking at Fron Basin/Trevor Basin – Discussions between the County Councillor, CRT and WCBC were on-going. The Clerk had asked WCBC for an appropriate sign to be installed at Scotch Hall Bridge, and also asked CRT to install a sign at the Fron Basin directing visitors to the public toilets on the A5.

Installation of a lockable gate at the George Avenue playground – The agreement was being finalised.

Memorial in Garth – It had not been possible to obtain an additional quote for the work. It was decided that, to avoid a delay and possible further weather damage to the memorial, the original quote would be accepted. Cllr. Morris would ask the contractor to complete the work.

Easement required for the JC Edwards wall land – The Clerk would obtain written confirmation from the Council's solicitor that the land registration was complete, and also liaise with WCBC to progress with the project.

Safety issues on Gate Road due to parked cars – The County Councillor had agreed to ask WCBC to install signs on Gate Road warning drivers of pedestrians on the road. The Clerk had requested a meeting with the Trunk Road Agency to discuss safety concerns on the A5 in Froncysyllte.

Request to WCBC for road signs (No footway) to be placed at four locations on Garth Road – WCBC would be installing 5 signs. It was decided that the Clerk would ask WCBC for a date when the signs would be installed.

Order for speed sign for Station Road Trevor – The Clerk would finalise the order with the supplier.

Notice Board Trevor - The Clerk had again requested a quote from the supplier but had not received a reply. The Clerk would contact the supplier.

9. Correspondence update from the Clerk

All correspondence was listed in the Clerk's report and had been forwarded to Councillors.

10. An update from the County Councillor

The County Councillor had provided a report regarding an issue with a piece of land in Trevor and this was discussed.

11. Participation in the Great Green Week June 10th – 18th

Cllr. Mrs R Allen informed Members that this national campaign had been moved from September to June. It was suggested that the Council could introduce the community to the 3 new walking routes that the Council had worked on as part of Cadwyn Clwyd's Green Communities Project. It was decided to have accompanied walks and refreshments at the Garth & Trevor Community Centre. It was further decided that Cllr. Mrs R Allen would ask the Cubs and Beavers if they would be interested in using the four planters on Trevor Green to plant bee friendly plants.

12. Cars parking on the grass outside Garth & Trevor Community Centre

The issue of cars parking on the grass at the front of the Community Centre was discussed. It was decided to ask the County Councillor if a low fence could be installed at the front of the grass area. Also it was decided to move the 3-tier planter to free up an additional parking bay.

13. Financial update from the Clerk and authorisation of payments to be made

Financial statements had been circulated as at the end March: receipts for 2022/23; bank reconciliation; and budget monitoring against precept and receipts.

Payments authorised for April 2023:

P Ankers	102582	£120.00
P Green	102583	£331.00
WCBC	102584	£846.00
The Rainbow Centre	102585	£2,970.25
J Evans	102586	£34.46
J Evans	102587	NJC
HMRC	102588	£974.47
P Ankers (re-issue chq 102573)	102589	£100.00
Total		£6,409.59

14. Items for the next agenda

Newsletter meeting

Items to be received by the Clerk by Wednesday 26th April 2023

Date and Venue of the Next Meeting – 2nd May 2023 at 7.00pm at the Froncysyllte Community Centre