

Llangollen Rural Community Council
27/17
Minutes of Meeting held in Garth & Trevor Community Centre
on Tuesday 5th December 2017

Present

Cllr. Darrell Wright
 Cllr. Elfed Morris
 Cllr. Steve Edwards
 Cllr. Mark Valentine

Cllr. Mrs D J Evans
 Cllr. Steve Jones
 Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster
 C/Cllr. Anthony Roberts

Chairman: Cllr. Darrell Wright

Clerk: Andrea Evans

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence have been received from Cllr Mrs Alyson Winn & Cllr. J Davies.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Police Matters

No report has been received from the PCSO.

4. Clerk to the council availability/cover

This has been addressed and a temporary clerk appointed.

5. Outstanding Work Log

The work log would be considered and updated at the next meeting.

6. Members Urgent Reports

Trevor: C/Cllr Anthony Roberts stated that the path near Rhosycoed bungalows was very mossy and needed attention to reduce the possibility of someone slipping. He would raise this with WCBC.

Sick pay entitlement for the Clerk: The rules regarding this were outlined.

Contract for the temporary Clerk: A draft copy had been produced and was being considered. The contract and pay would be finalised by the Finance Committee.

7. 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.

8. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Garth residents were concerned about the recent burglaries that had taken place and had enquired what progress had been made by the police. C/Cllr Anthony Roberts had spoken to the police regarding the delay in the police visiting to view CCTV footage. The police had visited but there was nothing that could be used on the CCTV. The police were involved and investigating.

Regarding the Cefn Mawr break-in, this was in the hands of the police.

Councillors expressed their thanks to the Chairman, Cllr Darrell Wright and Cllr Steve Edwards for the work they have undertaken in the last months to ensure the continued smooth running of the Council, in the absence of a Clerk.

9. Planning

There were no planning applications.

10. Correspondence

Family Friends for 5's to 11's:

A request for funding. This will be considered in the February meeting.

Welsh Assembly:

Notification of Section 137 spending limit 2018/19.

David Lewis: Invoice for the up-keep of the Garth War Memorial for the year. The Clerk to write to Mr Lewis to clarify what is involved in this.

Trevor Scout Group: Cheque payment for a wreath.

Wales Audit Office: Account statement.

11. Footpaths & Roadways

Trefnant Brook: In the past an issue had been identified with a tree on the bank causing problems with the flow and course of the brook. An officer from WCBC was to visit the site to assess the situation.

Mill Lane, Cefn Mawr: Concern was expressed over the lack of street lighting at the top of Mill Lane and WCBC representatives were to inspect the site to consider the situation including where this lies on Council boundaries.

Roadside parking and speeding, Llangollen Road: A resident had complained about this. It was noted that a neighbouring council had acquired a camera/recorder to record car speeds, at cost of £3,000. The possible introduction of yellow lines had been raised with WCBC 2 years ago but had not been actioned. C/Cllr Anthony Roberts was to meet with WCBC to discuss the issue, and with a Rhosllanerchrugog Cllr and the person responsible for the camera in that area to gather information on the use and benefits of the camera/recorder.

12. Projects 2017/2018

Nothing to report.

13. Community Agent

The Council had received 8 applications for the post and in January 2018 a shortlist would be drawn up and applicants invited for interview.

14. Meetings / Training

Meetings:

There would be a Finance Meeting on Friday 15th December at Trevor and Garth Community Centre.

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15. Noddfa Cemetery Report

There had been very positive feedback in respect of the new bench.

16. Playgrounds

Cllr Mrs Sue Kempster wishes to resign as Chairperson of the Play Committee.

17. Review of Community & Town Councils

A meeting was scheduled for next week.

18. Chairing Skills

Nothing to report.

19. Newsletter

This will be addressed in the New Year.

20. Finance

A new bank mandate had been signed by the Chairman and Cllr Mrs DJ Evans. Once notification has been received from the bank that the signatory details have been updated cheques can be issued for outstanding bills.

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 7pm at Froncysyllte Community Centre on Tuesday 6th February 2018.