

Llangollen Rural Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held in Garth & Trevor Community Centre
On Tuesday 5th February 2019

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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. Steve Jones
Cllr. Mrs Alyson Winn

Chairman: Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster

Clerk: Andrea Evans

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence received from Cllr. Anthony Roberts, work.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Community Agent

During December the Community Agent had two new referrals and continued to work with ongoing issues. A 'Memory Lane' event was held at Froncysyllte Community Centre. Lynda and the Clerk attended a Strategy Meeting with other clerks and agents.

During January there have been two new referrals and Lynda attended the Dementia tour bus.

Sadly Lynda will finish as Community Agent at the end of February. Councillors decided that the position would be advertised.

4. Police Matters

The PCSO had not responded to the Clerks e-mail inviting him to the meeting or provided a report.

The Clerk had reported the vandalism at Garth and Trevor Community Centre and also the nuisance caused by knocking on doors/ringing door bells at Bryn Eryl flats to the PCSO, by e-mail.

It was reported that a Councillor had found a syringe full of black liquid on the pavement outside the house and had contacted the police. The police did not attend to investigate and the Council called to pick up the syringe the next day. It was decided that the Clerk would write to the Police and Crime Commissioner for North Wales Police and to Inspector Steve Owens in Rhos to complain about how this had been dealt with given the potential danger to the public.

Community Councils had been informed that the number of PCSO's in the Wrexham area were to be reduced which would affect coverage in the Community. A meeting had taken place between representatives of Cefn, Ruabon and Llangollen Rural Community Councils and County Councillors to discuss the impact of the reduction. A letter was sent from these members to WCBC expressing their concern at the reduction in PCSO's and the effect on communities.

Complaints had been made that a van was regularly travelling the wrong way down the one-way system in Trevor. The Clerk would report this to the PCSO.

5. Work log -Action Plan

The work log was updated.

The Clerk reported that the speed sign is on order and should be delivered within the next three weeks.

County Councillor A Roberts is discussing the problems reported on the Ochr with Wrexham County Borough Council, and has requested that the situation is resolved.

Regarding updating bus timetables at bus stops and obtaining keys to the cases, Andrew Mytton from WCBC has agreed to send keys to the Clerk. Cllr Playford offered to clean the cases at stops serving Garth and update the information. The Clerk would find out who is responsible for mending damaged cases.

6. Members' Urgent Reports

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Cllr. Playford informed Councillors that road signs at the bottom of Garth Road near Shepherds Wood are obscured by foliage in spring, summer and autumn, and one is bent and not visible to drivers. The Clerk would report this to WCBC.

There had been reports of camper vans parking overnight at the Fron Basin and at Fron Community Centre. It was decided that the Clerk would inform CRT and also ask WCBC for permission to place signs at the Community Centre.

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

The Clerk has sent an e-mail to WCBC requesting that the gullies in Garth are cleared.

Fly-tipping on Gypsy Lane near to the Oerog Severn treatment works has been reported.

Regarding the litter problem in Froncysyllte, a meeting has been arranged between the McDonalds management team and Cllr Sinclair and the Clerk.

The Clerk has sent a request that representatives of the local community are included in the safety user audit of the Fron basin.

9. Planning

Erection of boundary wall (in retrospect)

Min Y Dwr, Canalside, Froncysyllte, Llangollen P/2018/0729 GRANTED

Variation of conditions nos. 2 and 3 of planning permission P/2015/0856 to extend time period for submission of reserved matters and commencement of development (1 no. dwelling)

Gwel Y Dyffryn, Garth Road Garth Trevor Wrexham P/2018/0939 GRANTED

Proposed entrance porch and stair access to landing/study and shower room

The Barn, Blaenau Dwr, Blaenau Road, Froncysyllte, Wrexham P/2018/1001 GRANTED

Display of tourist information sign

Visitor Car Park, Land North of Trevor Basin, Off Tower Hill, Trevor, Wrexham P/2018/1066 PENDING

10. Correspondence

Wrexham CBC

Wrexham Council Bilingual Signage

Submission of Wrexham Local Development Plan 2013-2028 for Public Examination

Draft Management Plan for the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal World Heritage Site

Invitation to Safeguarding of our local Veteran Standards, unveiling event 12th February 2019

Community Transport Event - Plas Madoc - March 29th 2019

One Voice Wales

Use of Welsh Language Survey

January to March Training sessions

2019-20 National Pay Agreements

Social Value Toolkit

National Awards Conference 2019

First Minister's new Cabinet announced

Older Peoples Commissioners Newsletter Special Bulletin

'Living Memory' Workshops - National Library of Wales

Alzheimer's Society Cymru Conference 2019

Information guide to helping water customers struggling to pay

Betsi Cadwaladr Stakeholder Reference Group Meeting - 11th December 2018

Welsh Government

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SUDS Implementation 7 January 2019

Team Support Officer Vacancies
Community and Town Council Update
Community-led Housing Networks
Connecting Communities in Wales Newsletter

Wales Audit Office

Press Release: Local Government needs to do more to develop a strong data culture

SLCC

Practitioners Conference 14th & 15th February 2019

Ken Skates

E-newsletters 14/12/18, 21/12/18 and 25/01/19
Surgery dates

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

Police and Crime Plan Addendum

Play Wales

E-bulletin December 2018
Sourcing materials for children's play - new info sheet
Events 2019
Publications 2018
E-bulletin January 2019
How to organise playing out sessions on your street
Focus on play - three new issues

Planning Aid Wales

Events and training

Rotary Club Chirk

New Club set up

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

11. Footpaths & Roadways

Regarding the footpath opposite the playground in Garth, the Clerk has reported some issues to the Rights of Way department of WCBC.

The Clerk was asked to speak to the County Councillor regarding rubble that has been left on the footpath at the side of Pen-Y-Bont bungalows on the Trevor Estate.

12. Projects 2018/2019

Nothing to report.

13. Meetings / Training

Our Picturesque Landscapes Engagement Officer is scheduled to meet with Councillors at 6.30pm on Tuesday 5th March prior to the Council meeting.

14. Noddfa Cemetery

Nothing to report.

15. Playgrounds

The recently received SLA for the inspection and maintenance of play areas was considered and it was decided to accept this for 2019/20.

35/18 HAGs cancelled the 20th December appointment to meet at Garth playground about the slide matting and zip-wire. The Clerk emailed requesting a new date but has heard nothing as yet. It was decided that the Clerk would send a letter to HAGs complaining about their reluctance to address the outstanding issues.

Councillors discussed quotations for work on the play area at the Community Centre and it was decided that the Clerk would ask for further information regarding warranties before a final decision is made.

16. Newsletter

The spring newsletter will be sent out before the end of February.

17. Website

The website grant from WCBC for the improvement and development of the website has been received.

Councillors expressed their thanks to Cllr. Steve Edwards for the work he has done on the grant application and on the website.

18. Finance

Financial statements are included as at the end January 2019:

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

Payments authorised in January:

WTE Printers	102129	£400.00
P Green	102130	£140.00
S Jones	102131	£69.99
J A Evans	102132	NJC
L Broe	102133	NJC
J A Evans	102134	£137.54
L Broe	102135	£68.54
D Cartwright	102136	£240.00
WCBC	102137	£792.00
Total		£2,990.34

Payments for authorisation:

P Green	102138	£95.00
S Jones	102139	£11.99
J A Evans	102140	NJC
L Broe	102141	NJC
P Ankers	102142	£150.00
Total		£1,362.36

Insurance - the Trevor Basin defibrillator has been added to the Councils insurance policy.

19. Donations

Requests for funding had been received from:

Trevor Scout Group, Family Friends for 5's to 11's, Aqueduct Community Association, Froncysyllte Community Centre, Carers Trust North Wales, Froncysyllte Darby and Joan Club, Trevor Indoor Bowls Club and Cefn Mawr Welsh Society.

The applications were considered and it was decided to grant £100 each to 1st Trevor Scout Group, Aqueduct Community Association, Froncysyllte Darby and Joan Club, Trevor Indoor Bowls Club, and Cefn Welsh Society. It was also decided to grant £100 to Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod, and to 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 7.00pm at Garth and Trevor Community Centre on Tuesday 5th March 2019.