

Llangollen Rural Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held in Fron Community Centre
on Tuesday 5th September 2017

Present

Cllr. Darrell Wright	Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster
Cllr. Mrs Alyson Winn	Cllr. Mrs DJ Evans
Cllr. Steve Edwards	Cllr. Mark Valentine
Cllr. Steve Jones	
PCSO Dave Jenkins	Mrs S.A. Jones
<u>Chairman:</u> Cllr. Darrell Wright	<u>Clerk:</u> Mrs S.A. Jones

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence have been received from C/Cllr. Anthony Roberts & Cllr. Elfed Morris - previous engagement, Cllr. Jim Davies, business.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Police Matters

The Chairman Councillor Darrell Wright welcomed PCSO Dave Jenkins to the meeting and he gave the following reports for July and August.

1st to the 31st July 2017

Trevor Two cases of anti-social behaviour and one of theft.

Fron Two cases of anti-social behaviour, relating to a neighbourhood dispute, and one of criminal damage.

1st to the 31st August 2017

Trevor Two Assaults on the Trevor Estate, two cases of criminal damage and three cases of anti-social behaviour.

Fron Two thefts, one of a bicycle and one of garden furniture, and one case of anti-social behaviour.

Garth One theft of a bicycle.

It was decided by the Community Councillors that the priorities for September would be for PCSO Dave Jenkins to spend his time checking out issues identified within the three villages.

4. Outstanding Work Log

The work log had been updated and a new page of outstanding actions issued to members.

5. Members Urgent Reports

Trevor: It was reported that the trees and verges along the footpath on Llangollen Road were overgrown. Some of the residents living on Charles Avenue, have asked if some trees could be planted on the green area by their houses.

It was stated that the telephone has been removed from the Pen Y Bont phone box.

At the back of the garages on Charles Avenue some trees have been cut down and the young saplings that were planted by the Aqueduct Community Association have been trampled on. The Clerk was asked to inform Allan Forrest, Wrexham County Borough Council.

6. 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.

7. Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising.

8. Planning

18/17

Erection of detached double garage and car port
Bwythyn, Penygaer Road, Garth P/2017/0476

Extensions and Alterations

Ty Coch, Gate Road, Froncysyllte P/2017/0552

Listed Building consent to display sign and provide enclosure to kiln (in retrospect)

The Moorings, Holyhead Road, Froncysyllte P/2017/0660

Erection of timber summerhouse / Shed (partly in retrospect)

Llwynfan, Garth Road, Garth P/2017/0681

There were no objections to the above planning applications.

Construction of new vehicular access to enable off road parking for three vehicles.

5 George Avenue, Trevor P/2017/0690

There was no objection to the above but reservations as it is crossing Wrexham County Borough Council's land.

Section 78 Appeal

Llanerch Cottage, Yr Ichr, Froncysyllte

are appealing to the Welsh Office regarding the decision made by Wrexham County Borough Council to refuse their planning application.

Certificates of Decision:

Application for variation imposed under planning permission P/2017/0123 relating to:

Condition 2 Approved drawing number H06/ revision A.

Condition 6 Visibility splays.

Condition 8 Vehicular parking and turning areas.

Condition 9 Passing place and junction alterations.

Land off Maes Mawr Road, Garth P/2017/0476 - GRANTED

Outline application for residential development (5 detached houses and garages) and construction of a new access and internal driveway.

Paddock adjoining and south of Bryn Celyn, Garth Road, Garth, Trevor. P/2017/0466 - GRANTED

9. Correspondence

Email: Jane Johnson, Wrexham County Borough Council writing about the Standards Committee.

Shaun Jones, Chirk Town Council -New Councillor Induction.

C/Cllr. Roberts - concerning issues with the World Heritage Site.

Dave Smith, Rights of Way Wrexham County Borough Council reporting damage to a finger post on the canal side.

Roger Davies Wrexham County Borough Council - The Ochr, Froncysyllte will be closed for ongoing work.

Marie Russell, Wrexham County Borough Council - Wrexham Town & Community Council Forum will take place on Thursday 21st September 2017.

Darren Green regarding the double and single lines on Station Road, Trevor.

General: Mayor's Charity Dinner will be held 6th October 2017.

Wrexham Area Civic Society with an invitation to visit Wrexham Cemetery 26th September 2017 - Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster to attend.

Penycae Community Council inviting local Councils to a meeting 18th September 2017 - Cllr. Darrell Wright and Cllr. Steve Jones to attend.

HSBC confirming that the change to the banking mandate has been approved and amended.

Planning Aid Wales - planning training for Community and Town Councils 28/9/17

One Voice Wales: 19/17

A quarterly meeting will be held in Gwersyllt on 21st September 2017.

Receipts:

Peter Green Groundcare

10. Footpaths & Roadways

It was reported that some trees had been felled and left in the brook between Bridge House and the Duke of Wellington. As this is the boundary between Llangollen Rural and Cefn Council a meeting has been held with the two Community Councils. The Clerk had written to the owner of Bridge House to politely ask him if he had any knowledge of this. He has since telephoned and although he doesn't know who has felled the trees he has offered to clear them. Natural Resources Wales have also been informed.

11. Projects 2016/2017

The Clerk was asked to write to Joe Bickerton, Wrexham County Borough Council to ask for the £1,500 that the Community Council had been promised from the Underneath the Arches event.

One thousand pounds will be deducted from the Fron project fund towards the cost of the new fence in the Woodlands Grove play-ground.

12. Community Agent

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Community Council should implement the post of community agent in the coming months. This position would be primarily to assist the over 50 age group in the community in a variety of ways. The successful candidate would report to the Clerk.

13. Meetings / Training

No meetings or training have been held during July and August.

14. Noddfa Cemetery Report

The new seat and base have now been installed at the Cemetery. The Water container has been filled and the excess soil has been removed.

15. Playgrounds

Following the erection of a new fence along the bottom of the rocks, the Woodlands Grove playground has now re-opened.

The new Garth playground was officially opened in July with a very well attended 'Picnic in the Park' event.

16. Newsletter

As the date of the Pensioners party this year is 1st December it was decided that the newsletter will come out during the second week in December and include pictures from the party.

It was decided that leaflets will be distributed early in November so that the Aqueduct Community Association can find out how many people will be attending the Christmas party.

17. Best Kept Garden Competition

This was again a very successful event with a well-attended presentation evening held at the end of July. The Aqueduct Community Association has paid for the installation of new sleepers forming the planters on the green in Trevor.

18a. Finance

20/17

The Chair of Finance Cllr. Mrs DJ Evans gave her report of the recent finance meeting held 1st September 2017.

1. The Bank Statement was reconciled and signed by the Chairman. *These were presented and approved by full Council.*
2. The balances, payments and receipts against the budget / precept were checked and all balanced. *These were presented and approved by full Council.*

Following the recommendation by the finance committee and agreed by full Council in July that £10,000 should be transferred into the deposit account the Clerk reported that this had now been done.

18b. Finance

Copies of the Bank balances, payments and a list of receipts were distributed to the members and checked. The following invoices were authorised for payment:

WCBC	101976	395.33
Mrs SA Jones	101977	377.90
Mrs SA Jones	101978	170.00
Mr PJ Ankers	101979	250.00
Peter Green Groundcare	101980	480.00
CCS	101981	2196.00
Mrs SA Jones	101982	735.44
Mr Len Evans	101983	258.00
Barnett Engineering	101984	192.00
Mrs SA Jones	101985	915.34
HMRC	101986	557.26
Mr PJ Ankers	101987	405.00
Peter Green Groundcare	101988	580.00
Thomas Fattorini	101989	23.92
BP&D	101990	695.00
Garth School	101991	500.00
Fron School	101992	500.00
Seion Chapel	101993	200.00
St David's Church	101994	250.00
Capel Y Groes	101995	250.00

19. External Audit

The certified Annual Report has now been received from the External Auditor. The External Auditor stated that “on the basis of our review, in our opinion, the information contained in the Annual Return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.” A vote of thanks was to be recorded for the efforts of the Clerk.

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 7pm at Garth & Trevor Community Centre on Tuesday 3rd October 2017.