

**Llangollen Rural Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held at the Froncysyllte Community Centre**  
**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023**

16/23

**Present**

Cllr. Keith Sinclair  
Cllr. Darrell Wright  
Cllr. Mrs Moira Griffiths  
Cllr. D Metcalfe

Cllr. Elfed Morris  
Cllr. Steve Jones  
Cllr. Phil Jones

Chairman: Cllr. K Sinclair

Clerk: Andrea Evans

**1. Apologies for absence**

There were apologies for absence from Cllr. Mrs S Williams, Cllr. Mrs S Kempster and Cllr. Mrs R Allen.

**2. Minutes of the last council meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023 had been distributed and, subject to the addition of 'repair work on the Garth War Memorial' in minute 10, were accepted as a true record. The minutes were signed accordingly by the Chairman.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr. K Sinclair and Cllr. D Metcalfe - members of Froncysyllte Community Centre Management Committee - Item 18

Cllr. Mrs M Griffiths and Cllr. S Jones - members of Garth & Trevor Community Centre Management Committee - Item 18

**4. Public Participation**

None

**5. Member's Urgent Reports**

None

**6. Police Report**

The PCSO, who was in attendance, went through the police report which had been circulated to Members.

**7. Update on the Community Agent's scheme**

The Community Agent was unable to attend the meeting but had forwarded a report which the Clerk presented. It was decided to ask the Community Agent to attend the next Council meeting.

**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* – With regard to the parking of coaches at the Fron Basin, M. Bathers (WCBC) was trying to arrange the requested meeting with himself, CRT, the Boat Company, the County Councillor and the Community Council. If a meeting of all parties was not possible, he would meet with the Boat Company himself in an effort to resolve the longstanding issues.

*Installation of a bilingual sign on the lockable gate at the George Avenue playground* – The signage details would be finalised following the Playground Committee site meeting.

*Memorial in Garth* – The work was about to be carried out.

*JC Edwards Wall* – Work is progressing.

*Request to WCBC for road signs (No footway) to be placed at five locations on Garth Road* – WCBC had 3 more signs to install.

*Notice Board Trevor* – The notice board is being made.

**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**

Nothing to report

**11. Noddfa Cemetery Report**

The risk assessment had been carried out in September and the two matters identified as needing attention were being addressed. Following a discussion it was decided to extend the Garden of Remembrance by one row of 8 plots.

**12. Speed signs**

The parameters on the speed signs had been altered to reflect the new 20mph speed limit, and in light of the changes to the speed limit, it was decided that it would be useful to monitor the recorded information every 2 months. Members were reminded of the previous decision to have bilingual wording on the signs.

**13. Report and proposals on submitting grant applications to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.**

The expressions of interest had been submitted and WCBC had replied asking the Council to submit formal bids for Froncysyllte Playground, the Boer War Memorial and the planters on Trevor Green. It was decided that formal bids would be prepared and submitted.

**14. Consideration of the County Councillors request for support for the introduction of a TRO on the lower part of Garth Road.**

It was decided to monitor the situation over the winter whilst the restrictions on the A539 were relaxed and to consider this issue again in the spring.

**15. Action required following the risk assessment of Community Seats**

It was decided that the Clerk would arrange for work to be carried out on the seats that had been identified as requiring maintenance.

**16. Update on the Station Road planter, the four planters on Trevor Green and consideration of the creation of wildlife areas**

The Council was still awaiting confirmation from WCBC regarding the Station Road planter, and a funding bid would be submitted for the four planters on Trevor Green. The Green Communities Working Group would consider possible sites suitable for creating wildlife areas and make recommendations at the next Council meeting.

**17. Complaints received regarding trees encroaching onto Woodlands Road**

The complaints were discussed and it was decided to obtain a quote for tree trimming.

**18. Approval of payments to Garth & Trevor Community Centre and Froncysyllte Community Centre**

The following payments were approved: £3,000 each to Garth & Trevor Community Centre and to Froncysyllte Community Centre.

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

Financial statements had been circulated as at the end of September: receipts for 2023/24; bank reconciliation; and budget monitoring against the budget and receipts.

**Payments to be authorised for October 2023:**

P Ankers	102629	£292.50
P Green	102630	£618.00
Rainbow Centre	102631	£3,470.50
Garth & Trevor Community Centre	102632	£3,000.00
Froncysyllte Community Centre	102633	£3,000.00
Cllr. K Sinclair	102634	£300.00
J Evans	102635	NJC

J Evans	102636	£253.46	18/23
<b>Total</b>		<b>£11,986.32</b>	

**20. Items for the next agenda**

Items to be received by the Clerk by Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

**Date and Venue of the Next Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023, 7.00pm at Garth & Trevor Community Centre**