

Llangollen Rural Community Council **40/15**
Minutes of Meeting held in Froncysyllte Community Centre
on Tuesday 2nd February 2016

Present

Cllr. Elfed Morris	Cllr. Mrs DJ Evans
Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster	Cllr. Glyn Jones
Cllr. Mrs Alyson Winn	Cllr. Darrell Wright
Cllr. Mark Valentine	Cllr. Jim Davies
Mrs S.A. Jones	

Chairman: Cllr. Elfed MorrisClerk: Mrs S.A. Jones**1. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Anthony Roberts - work commitments and Cllr. Geraint Roberts - previous engagement.

2. Declaration of Interest

The following declarations were made:

Cllr. Mrs DJ Evans – Trevor Indoor Bowls

Cllr. Mark Valentine – 1st Trevor Scouts,

Cllr. Glyn Jones – Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod.

3. Police Matters

The Chairman Cllr. Elfed Morris welcomed PCSO Emily Blake to the meeting; she then gave her report which covered December and January.

Trevor - There had been a burglary resulting in a number of items stolen from a house and a car stolen from the garage, which has since been recovered. Items had been stolen from an insecure motor vehicle. A Camper van window was smashed and the vehicle moved in an attempt to steal it. Boats had been damaged in Trevor Basin and items stolen. There had been three cases of Anti-social behaviour.

Fron - Two garages had been broken into and items stolen. Two vehicles had had their windows smashed and one house roof had been damaged.

Councillors stated that the report was very disturbing as there had been so many incidents during the last two months. PCSO Emily Blake stated that residents should be vigilant and report anyone acting suspiciously to the Police.

It was reported that children were congregating in front of the garages in Trevor and some residents had reported that they had been throwing stones at their windows.

It was decided by the Community Councillors that the priorities for February 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: The Clerk to contact Wrexham County Borough Council to ask for the sweeper to come round the Rhos Y Coed Estate. It was reported that there was some fly tipping on the Panorama S bend and that coping stones were loose on the wall by the Trevor shop.

Garth: It was reported that there had been ongoing incidents of dog faeces not being bagged and disposed of hygienically. In particular and alarmingly, there had been several occurrences of dog faeces being left on the pavements directly outside Ysgol y Garth and outside the children's playground.

6. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**41/15**

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

Cllr. Valentine had contacted Garth School with the offer of some match funding from the Community Council. This would be to create a new entrance as this would make the school more secure. He had now received a reply from Wrexham County Borough Council to say that they were still looking into this.

Following the letter received from Bartletts Solicitors a meeting was held in December with Officers from Wrexham County Borough Council & Llangollen Rural Community Council. Llangollen Rural Community Council has written to the Solicitors to say that all lighting was transferred to Glyndwr District Council in the 1980's. Subsequently the Community Council is not responsible for lighting and that this is the responsibility of Wrexham County Borough Council.

8. Planning**Planning Applications:**

Proposed new two storey building to form garage with office over an existing car park to be used as ancillary accommodation to the day nursery. (Amended plans)

The Towers Nursery, Llangollen Road, Trevor. P/2015/0809

1. Sycamore (overhanging footpath and driveway) – Crown lift to give 5.5m approx. ground clearance in all directions and cut ivy at base.
2. Ash (twin stemmed) - fell to ground.
3. Ash (multi stemmed) – reduce height by 2m approx. and reduce side branches by 1m approx.
4. Boundary hedge / trees (adjacent to field) – Holly / Sycamore / fallen stems – cut to ground level, Ash (triple Stemmed) – fell to near ground level, Sycamore (3 stems) fell to ground level, Ash x 2 (larger trees) – crown reduce by 2m approx. and remove dead branches, Sycamore – crown reduce by 2m approx., Ash – remove, cutting back to main stem.
5. Cypress (opposite Telford Public House by wall) – fell in sections to as near ground level as possible, remove all arising from site.
(Within Pontcysyllte Aqueduct Conservation Area).

Canal Wharf and Dock House, The Slip, Trevor, Wrexham P/2016/0016

Erection of double garage

Heyburn, Blackwood Road, Garth, Wrexham P/2016/0032

G1 - Fell 1 Alder, 2 Ash, Thorn & mixed shrubs.

G2 – Fell 3 Ash, 1 Thorn & mixed shrubs.

(Protected by Pontcysyllte Conservation Area)

Trevor Basin Car Park, New Road Trevor. P/2915/0940

There were no objections to the above applications.

(Llangollen Rural 115) Definitive Map Modification Order 2015.

9. Correspondence

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E.Mail

Ffion Williams at Wrexham County Borough Council:-

Appeal for members for the Education Appeals Panel.

Gerald Bateman Chair Dee Valley Federation:-

Asking if the Community Council had any information about an historical agreement allowing residents to park their cars in Fron School yard.

Ceri Postle at Wrexham County Borough Council:-

Message from Canal & Rivers Trust asking for any young people who would be interested in joining Fusion.

Ceri Postle at Wrexham County Borough Council:-

The Council have applied again this year to use the overspill car parking field adjacent to the Trevor Basin car park.

Christine Conway TA Gittins & Co:-

Auto enrolment scheme.

Marie Russell Wrexham Town & Community Council Forum:-

Marie Russell, message from Lynne Tharme – Auto enrolment scheme.

Kayleigh Williams - An invitation to attend a Welsh Government Engagement event on the draft local Government (Wales) Bill.

Welsh Government:

Review of road safety across trunk roads in Wales.

Confirmation that funding will continue for the next three years to OneVoice Wales.

One Voice Wales:

Invitation for nominations for the New Year 2016 Honours round.

Letter asking for the Community Council to renew their membership in March.

E mail address and password for getting into the One Voice Wales web address.

General:

HSBC confirming that they will be closing Ruabon and Chirk branches on the 1st April.

Application by Rowlands Pharmacy for a minor relocation from 12 Regent Street to the Llangollen Health Centre.

The Army Engagement Group- invitation to an evening reception at the Lion Quays Hotel.

Ysgol Dinas Bran asking if the Community Council will get involved with the Welsh Baccalaureate Community Action days.

The Queen's 90th Birthday Beacons.

Homestart Wrexham and Bobath Children's Therapy asking if the Council will make a donation.

Receipts:

Mr PJ Ankers

10. Leasing of Playgrounds

Councillors Elfed Morris and Mrs Joyce Evans signed the Transfer agreement on Monday 1st February 2016 for the Garth playground. This document has now been taken to Wrexham County Borough Council for signing. It is expected that the other playgrounds will be signed off before the end of March.

11. Footpaths & Roadways

It was reported that there were a number of potholes on the footpath over the Aqueduct, the Clerk has reported this.

12. Projects 2015/2016

Nothing to report.

13. Meetings**43/15**

Cllr. Mrs Alyson Winn had attended the Wrexham Town & Community Council Forum meeting in Wrexham. The meeting had covered Leisure Management contracts and Police and Victim Support in Wales.

Cllr. Elfed Morris, Cllr. Mrs DJ Evans and the Clerk had attended a Finance course (Module 21) in December.

14. Noddfa Cemetery Report

Nothing to report

15. Playgrounds including Garth Playground

The Community Council submitted their application for funding for the refurbishment of the Garth play area at the end of December. WREN has confirmed that they have started to review the information. One concern that was raised was that the Community Council would have to stand the cost of the Vat until it could claim it back in 2017.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Mark Valentine and Cllr. Mrs Sue Kempster for all their hard work in submitting the bid for funding.

16. Newsletter

The deadline for items to be included in the Spring Newsletter will be Monday 8th February 2016.

17. 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:

One Voice Wales	101826	105.00
Mrs SA Jones	101827	NJC rates
Mr David Cartwright	101828	950.00
One Voice Wales	101829	22.00
Mrs SA Jones	101830	NJC rates
Mr PJ Ankers	101831	100.00
Peter Green Groundcare	101832	cancelled
Peter Green Groundcare	101833	50.00

18. Chairman's Allowance

The Chairman Cllr. Elfed Morris gave a brief review of his year in office and said that he had attended a number of training courses and meetings. He had bought flowers and cards for residents who had celebrated special birthdays and for those who had lost their loved ones. He would give a more detailed report at the end of the financial year.

19. Donations- S137

Cefn Mawr Welsh Society	101834	150.00
1 st Trevor Scout Group	101835	150.00
Fron After School Kids Club	101836	150.00
Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod	101837	150.00
Trevor Indoor Bowls	101838	150.00
Fron Darby & Joan Club	101839	150.00
Fron PTFA	101840	150.00
Wrexham County Borough Council Honouring our Veterans	101841	150.00

20. Date, Time and Venue of the Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held at 7pm at Garth & Trevor Community Centre on Tuesday 1st March 2016.

As there was no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting.