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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT GEORGE EDWARDS
HALL AND ZOOM ON
24th January 2023
Chair: P Vaughan

110. PRESENT Councillors: Mrs S Benbow-Jones, Mrs H Brimfield, Mrs J Jones, Mrs S Mills, Mrs P Roberts, Mrs K Tiltman, B Twigg, Mrs I Twigg, D Wright and Mrs G Wright, also representatives of We Are Plas Madoc; C Pugh and D Jordan also PCSO Lara Shiers.

111.APOLOGIES Councillors P Blackwell, Mrs S Matthews, D Metcalfe, D Shaw, G Wood

112.TO RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF WAPM
REGARDING THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SCHEME.

The Chair welcomed C Pugh and D Jordan to the meeting and invited them to give an overview of the WAPM Community Transport Scheme. Leaflets were handed to councillors to promote the scheme and a discussion followed, recruitment of volunteer drivers seem to be an obstacle at present but WAPM are hoping once the scheme is promoted more widely this will attract further volunteers.

The Chair and clerk thanked the representatives for attending and they left the meeting.

113.TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None received.

114.PUBLIC QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS

None Received

115.TO RECEIVE POLICE CORRESPONDANCE



Monthly Council Report

Date: Tuesday 17th January 2023

Ward: Cefn/Plas Madoc

Author: PCSO Lara Shiers

- **Crimes/Incidents of note (The information provided falls within Data Protection and Sharing policies. Information of domestic related offences including sexual offences will not be shared. Only matters that are relevant to the Community)**

The review of the data between the period of 13/12/22 – 17/01/23 and report on the following incidents of note:

CEFN MAWR:

Incident	Number of incidents	Summary of Investigation
ASB	2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of a dog not on a lead, jumped up on an individual. Dog was not aggressive in anyway. Call was made to NWP with good intention. 2. Report of burning rubbish in garden. Advised this is not a Policing matter and more Environmental. Both parties spoken to, words of advice provided.
Common Assault	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of an assault. Investigation on-going.
Criminal Damage	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of a brick thrown through window. Investigation on-going.
Dangerous Dogs	4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Injury caused by aggressive dog. Dog seized, suspect interviewed. Investigation on-going. 2 Report of minor injury caused by an unaccompanied dog. Investigation on-going. 3 Report of minor injury caused by an unaccompanied dog. Investigation on-going. 4 Report of minor injury caused by an unaccompanied dog. Investigation on-going.
Harassment	3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Issues between tenant and landlord 2. Unwanted contact through social media 3. Issues between neighbours
Hate Related	1	Derogatory comments being made online
Public Order	1	Argument between neighbours over parking
Road Disruption	1	Single vehicle blocking road. Vehicle recovered
Road Related	1	Report of a possible drunk driver.
RTC	1	Minor injury fail to stop RTC. Driver since identified, investigation on-going
Shoplifting	1	High value shoplifting. Investigation on-going

Theft	1	Theft between neighbours. Suspects identified and interviewed. Investigation on-going
Threats	2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Threats made via unwanted messages. 2. Report of false accusations and threats via social media

PLAS MADOC:

Incident	Number of incidents	Summary of Investigation
ASB	3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anti-social behaviour by youths 2. Report of neighbour playing loud music 3. Issues between ex-partners
Burglary	2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of an unknown person entering a property and taking belongings. Victim does not support Police action 2. Report of persons entering a property, suspect arrested
Criminal Damage	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Damage caused by youths throwing stones. Investigation on-going
Common Assault	4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of non-injury assault. Suspect arrested and charged 2. Report of assault, victim does not support Police action 3. Suspect attempted to gain access to a property and attempted to punch an individual. Suspect arrested 4. Suspect attempted to gain access to a property and attempted to punch an individual. Suspect arrested
Public Order	1	Report of a fall-out between parties who had been drinking
RTC	1	Damage only RTC. No injury
Theft of Vehicle	1	Report of stolen motorbike which was located burnt out. Investigated, no suspect identified

• **What can you do to help?**

In order to progress matters and take positive action with regards to drug dealing / ASB / Other crime trends etc we need community intelligence to support our targeted patrols, stop searches and warrants. We are grateful for the information we receive and continue to develop any matters. Intelligence can also be reported to us anonymously through Crimestoppers.

- **Questions**

If you have any concerns regarding crime figures or incidents in your ward please let us know and we will provide an update ahead of the Council meeting. Please continue to send monthly reminders regarding the Meetings and we will endeavour to attend when possible.

- **Walk around**

We would be happy to meet with you to have a walk around the area whenever you are available.

PCSO Lara has provided dates in February to Councillor Derek Wright for an all Councillor walk-about. Please let me know your availability so that we can meet.

- **Good News Stories and Upcoming Events**

We will continue to post on social media in relation to events and reports on what we have been up to. Please follow us on HGC Wreccsam Wledig/NWP Wrexham Rural Facebook Page and Twitter.

- **Local PCSO contacts email / Phone number**

1	SER	RANK	NO	NAME		WARD	SAMSUNG
2	1	PCSO	C2532	MARTIN GRIFFITHS	@northwales.police.uk	CHIRK	07854 337302
3	2	PCSO	C2876	EMILY BLAKE	@northwales.police.uk	JOHNSTOWN	07854 400812
4	3	PCSO	C2912	CATHERINE GRIFFITHS HUGHES	@northwales.police.uk	LLAY	07854 329534
5	4	PCSO	C3917	KELVIN EVANS	@northwales.police.uk	PLAS MADOC	07974240306
6	5	PCSO	C2929	LYDIA EDWARDS	@northwales.police.uk	MINERA/ BWLCHGWYN	07854 355152
7	7	PCSO	C2961	DEAN SAWYER	@northwales.police.uk	MAELOR SECTION	07896 172204
8	8	PCSO	C3464	LISA MARIE DAVIES	@northwales.police.uk	GRESFORD/ROSSETT/HOLT	07557 847798
9	9	PCSO	C3612	PURDY JONES	@northwales.police.uk	PENYCAE	07989 165527
10	10	PCSO	C3613	REBECCA ROBERTS	@northwales.police.uk	RHOS	07818 522378
11	11	PCSO	C3624	ALISON HERON	@northwales.police.uk	PANT	07813 523980
12	12	PCSO	C4438	STEPHAN HOWSAM	@northwales.police.uk	BRYNTEG	Awaiting Phone
13	13	PCSO	C3679	LANA KELLEHER-LIGHTWOOD	@northwales.police.uk	GWERSYLLT	07989 169093
14	14	PCSO	C3680	GARETH JONES	@northwales.police.uk	CEIRIOG VALLEY	07989 159907
15	15	PCSO	C3952	RHYS YAXLEY	@northwales.police.uk	RUABON	07974 243270
16	16	PCSO	C4427	GEORGIA ROBERTS	@northwales.police.uk	BRYNTEG/PENTRE BROUGHTON/MOS	Awaiting Phone
17	17	PCSO	C3978	ENYA BELLIS-JONES	@northwales.police.uk	PONCIAU	07811 713056
18	18	PCSO	C4400	LARA SHIERS	@northwales.police.uk	CEFN MAWR	07814 075602
19	19	PCSO	C4402	TIM PEERS	@northwales.police.uk	BRYMBO	07814 075615

A discussion followed where PCSO Shiers briefly discussed the overall crime figures for the month. Cllr Benbow Jones reported that the traffic lights on King Street are stuck on Red, PCSO Shiers stated that she will contact Amberon to report.

PCSO Shiers was thanked for her attendance and left the meeting.

116. TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORT FROM COMMUNITY AGENT

COMMUNITY AGENT REPORT

Jan 2023

- 0 referrals from British Red Cross (BRC)
- 2 referrals from Social Services (SS)
- Other – 3 referrals
- 14 family/self referrals
- 2 District Nurses/GP
- 2 WCBC/CC referral
- 6 referrals from BCUHB
- **Cefn** – 11 referrals
- **Rhosymedre** – 7 referrals
- **Acrefair** – 6 referrals
- **Newbridge** – 0 referrals
- **Plas Madoc** – 5 referrals
- **Other** – 0

Good evening everyone and a belated Happy New Year.

Since the last report I have received 29 referrals, however, please note that during this time there were no referrals during the Christmas break and I have also taken 2 full weeks annual leave.

It was a relatively quiet Christmas with regards to referrals however, I did catch up with the many residents who are still receiving some support. Upon visiting these families and individuals, I have had numerous concerns over the number of cold properties I attended. For the most, it has been a case of checking their budget and offering reassurance that they could afford to put the heating on. I have not yet come across anyone who is having to make the choice of eating or heating. Numerous residents have now had energy efficiency advice including suggestions around small changes that could be made in an attempt to keep homes warmer and budgets low.

I have attended a few meetings this past week and met with both old and new teams. There is a new project within BCUHB that is offering mental health and wellbeing support, which was music to my ears. The only tiny drawback is that a referral to that team must come from the GP's. I will arrange meetings with all our surgeries to hopefully help this process work more smoothly, but have a back-up plan ready in case they are not willing to work together on this.

This couldn't have come at a better time as I am extremely sad to report that I have submitted my resignation, and I shall be leaving this role mid-February to work with the

British Red Cross in the 'Waiting Well' project. What I am pleased to report is that my area will be the whole of Wrexham and Flintshire so I will still be supporting any of our residents who have been waiting for 2 years plus for treatment or an operation. I have already met several of our residents who will qualify for this service (once it is actually up & running) and have signposted them to their GP's to obtain a referral. Now I know that it will be me in that post I shall also discuss this during my meetings at the surgeries to ensure that they are fully aware of the referral procedure and hopefully make the process for our residents as smooth as possible.

February will be my last report for you, and I would like you to note in your diaries that you may need an extra drink and a biscuit as I try and summarise all that we have achieved together over the past 3 years; I'm not know for keeping it brief! 😊

Many thanks, Marie-Claire

117. TO RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT

1. The clerk reported that regrettably the community agent has handed in her notice and will be leaving on the 12th February. A job advert will be distributed tomorrow with a deadline date for applications of Friday 17th February, interviews to be held w/c 20th February. The current community agent has agreed to do a handover with new agent once they have been appointed. A discussion followed and members agreed that the outgoing community agent has been a real asset to the council.
2. The Clerk is waiting for One Voice Wales to confirm a date in February for the next training module – understanding the law.
3. Cefn Community Council are now registered as a litter picking hub. The clerk referred to the assistant, who handed out hub posters to the councillors. And gave a brief overview on the project. Both clerk and assistant would like to get the schools and local police involved in the monthly litter picking meets. A discussion followed with regards to the next pick, which was postponed due to the weather. Members agreed that the end of March will be a suitable time to hold the next one, date to be discussed.
4. The clerk asked members to stay behind for a few minutes after the meeting so that pictures can be taken for lanyard cards, these will be required for identification for both staff and councillors.
5. King Charles Coronation is on 6th May 2023 – The clerk asked for thoughts about a commemoration gift to the local school children to mark the occasion. The clerk will obtain costings for gifts and a further discussion will take place in Februarys meeting. Proposed that a gift be purchased by Cllr Mrs G Wright, seconded by Mrs S Benbow Jones, a vote followed with all members in favour, and one abstention.

118.MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- (a) To confirm the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on the 13th of December 2022–
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on the 13th of December 2022 be confirmed and signed by the chairman at the earliest opportunity.
- (b) To confirm the minutes of the Staffing Meeting held on the 17th of January 2023–
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Staffing Meeting held on the 17th of January 2023 be confirmed and signed by the chairman at the earliest opportunity.

119.TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2021/22 CONCLUSION ON AUDIT.

The clerk reported that the Annual Accounts have still not been returned.

120 .TO APPROVE THE RECCOMENDATIONS FROM THE STAFFING MEETING HELD ON THE 17th OF JANUARY 2023

Members had been furnished with a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting, Councillor D Wright proposed to accept the recommendations seconded by Councillor P Vaughan, all members present voted in favour to approve the recommendations as listed from the staffing meeting.

121. Monthly Accounts

ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT 24th JANUARY 2023

EXPENDITURE

Wages/Sal from (month 9)
T Nicholls-Smith, H Parry, S Roberts, N Hughes-Lloyd, MC Hartshorne 5547.64
C Haycock

Invoice No

22/149	106546	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall (Chq Cancelled)	249.08
22/150	106547	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall (Chq Cancelled)	148.06
22/151	106548	EDF Energy - Invoice for unmetered supply	85.62
22/152	106549	North Wales Wildlife Trust - Invoice for green spaces project	5600.00
22/153	BACS	Mark Mellor - Invoice for works at GE Hall	710.00
22/154	BACS	Richard King Systems - Invoice for GE Hall	78.00
22/155	BACS	ACS Technology - Invoice for office IT	94.50
22/156	106550	Wales Air Ambulance	500.00
22/157	106551	Hope House	1,000.00
22/158	106552	Urdd Eisteddfod	100.00
22/159	106553	Nightingale House	1,000.00
22/160	106554	Family Friends	100.00
22/161	BACS	Air Cadets	200.00
22/162	BACS	Cefn Mawr Historical Society	200.00
22/163	BACS	CRNCA	200.00
22/164	BACS	Friends of Ruabon	200.00
22/165	BACS	Rhosymedre Methodist Church	200.00

22/166	BACS	Hampden Bowling Club	200.00
22/167	BACS	Clwyd Family History Society	200.00
22/168	106555	The Rockworks Academy Ltd	100.00
22/169	106556	Cerebral Palsy Cymru	100.00
22/170	BACS	Ysgol Rhosymedre	200.00
22/171	BACS	Ysgol Min Y Ddol	200.00
22/172	BACS	Ysgol Cefn Mawr	200.00
22/173	BACS	Ysgol Acrefair	200.00
22/174	BACS	St John's Church	200.00
22/175	BACS	Friends of Ty Mawr	200.00
22/175A	BACS	Peter Green Groundcare - invoice for Play Area maintenance	750.00
22/176	BACS	Steve Pugh - Invoice for gravedigging	300.00
22/177	BACS	WCBC - Invoice for play area repair at Dolydd Lane	542.81
22/178	BACS	TMNS - Expenses for Dec/Jan (LGA 1972 sect 112)	283.05
22/179	106557	EDF Energy - Invoice for unmetered supply	607.18
22/180	106558	Jones Lighting - Invoice for repairs	1265.63
22/181	106559	Nationwide Platforms - Invoice for GE Hall mural	637.39
22/182	106560	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall	688.88
22/183	106561	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall	486.29
22/184	106562	PHS Group - Invoice for GE Hall	352.13
22/185	106563	Audit Wales - Invoice for 20/21 Audit Fee	400.00
22/186	106564	Snowdonia Fire & Security - Invoice for GE Hall	54.00
22/187	106565	Jones Lighting - Invoice for repairs	227.17
22/188	BACS	Mark Mellor - Invoice for works at GE Hall	130.00
22/189	BACS	MEGA Electrical - Invoice for Christmas lights (installation & removal)	2436.00
22/190	106566	Viking Direct - Invoice for GE Hall supplies (rock salt & Cleaning)	309.34

Invoices Received During Dec 22/Jan 23

HMRC Tax & NI (16.12.22)	2097.92
Clwyd Pension Fund (16.12.22)	1393.29
CSA Payment	235.92
HSBC (27.11.21)	11.52
WCBC NNDR	602.00
	<u>£31823.42</u>

Income

Vodafone (Rec0239)	1250.00
Minera CC (Rec 0240)	45.00
Chairs Purse	50.00
Sesswick CC (0243)	22.50
Tesco Stores (Rec0244)	6250.00
Ruabon CC (Rec 0245)	22.50
HMRC Vat repay	6551.52

Burial

Roberts Funeral Directors (Rec0231)	295.00
Francis Roberts (0242)	295.00

Marcher Stone (Rec0247) 60.00

GE Hall

Dance Zone (Rec0241) 159.50
 Cefn Historical Society (Rec0246) 31.00
 Slimming World (Rec0248) 382.26
 Catrin Hayward (Rec0249) 22.00
 Dance Zone (Rec0250) 220.00
 Paul Curran (Rec0251) 115.50

Interest

Business Money Manager 13.12.22 111.17

£15882.95

Resolved that the listed payments be approved

122. CORRESPONDANCE

Correspondence Received During Dec 22/Jan 23:

Bolded items are recommended to be noted by the Chairman:

1		Cefn Mawr Library -Minutes from Cefn Mawr community meeting
2		Northalls Wrought Iron - <i>Quotation for handrail at rear of GE Hall – Clerk read quote to members, total price for railings £1,050, will need to be taken from reserves as it is required due to safety concerns. Proposed by Cllr Mrs G Wright, Seconded by Cllr Mrs P Roberts. All in favour. Clerk to instruct Northalls to commence work as soon as possible</i>
3		Keep Wales Tidy - Email re: Green Flag Award – <i>Resolved to be noted</i>
4		WCBC - Email re: Shared prosperity Fund - Website links www.wrexham.gov.uk/SharedProsperityFund - <i>Resolved to be noted</i>
5		WCBC - Email re: SLA for Play Areas 2023-24 – <i>The clerk confirmed that the service level agreement is due to renewal with WCBC for the 11 playparks in the community. The cost has risen from £3052 last year to £3129 this year, an extra £77 - £7 per park. All in favour of renewal. Proposed by Cllr Mrs K Tiltman seconded by Cllr Mrs G Wright to agree and accept SLA for 2023-24, all members present in favour.</i>
6		Resident Plas Madoc - Email re: Street lighting on Whalleys Way – <i>The Clerk informed members of the lighting issues on Whalleys way as reported by a local resident. The Contractors have suggested that a solar light would be the only option due to there being no feed close by in the area. Clerk is awaiting information on the solar lights from other community councils that use these to ascertain their effectiveness. Resolved to place on agenda for the February meeting.</i>
7		AVOW - Email re: Holocaust Memorial Day Invitation to CC Clerks 27/01/23 – <i>Clerk read the email to members. Chair confirmed that he will attend as a representative if he is available.</i>
8		Cllr S Benbow-Jones - Email re: resident concern re: Parking on Crane Street – <i>The Clerk read the contents of the email to members, The Clerk reported the concerns raised have been passed to WCBC enforcement, a discussion followed regarding gritting Cefn bank car park, the Clerk advised that the community council does not have the resources or facilities to grit the carpark on Cefn Bank. Clerk confirmed that this is under WCBC jurisdiction.</i>
9		WCBC - Email re: Warm Places Funding – <i>The Clerk confirmed that the assistant is completing a form for funding to benefit the Warm Space initiative.</i>

