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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT GEORGE EDWARDS

HALL AND ZOOM ON

23rd May 2023

Chair: P Vaughan

1. PRESENT Councillors: Mrs S Benbow-Jones, P Blackwell, Mrs H Brimfield, Mrs J Jones, D Metcalfe, Mrs P Roberts, Mrs K Tiltman, Mrs I Twigg, B Twigg, P Vaughan, G Wood, D Wright & Mrs G Wright.

Mrs K Tiltman joined via the zoom platform.

2.APOLOGIES Councillor Mrs S Matthews and Mr D Shaw

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

Councillors Mr B and Mrs I Twigg declared an interest on agenda item: 10: Planning. A neighbouring property is listed in the applications.

4.PUBLIC QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS

None received.

5.TO RECEIVE POLICE CORRESPONDANCE

Date: Sunday 14^h May 2023

Ward: Cefn/Plas Madoc

Author: PCSO 4400 Lara Shiers

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- **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 18/04/23 – 14/05/23 and report on the following incidents of note:

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Incident	Number of incidents	Summary of Investigation
ASB	4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of two identified youths behaving in an anti-social manner. Ongoing, Youth Offending Team involved. 2. As above 3. Report of an individual urinating in a bush. Words of advice provided. 4. Report of a door being kicked.
Common Assault	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of a domestic related assault. On-going investigation.
Criminal Damage	2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of a dwelling window smashed. Known youths under Youth Offending Team. 2. Report of damage being caused to property. Known youths under Youth Offending Team.
Harassment	4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of a young child walking a dog. Informant alleged the child was too young to control the dog. Words of advice issued.
Harassment	3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of two identified youths behaving in an anti-social manner. Ongoing, Youth Offending Team involved. 2. Report of two identified youths behaving in an anti-social manner. Ongoing, Youth Offending Team involved. 3. Unwanted Cold Calling
Public Order	3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Report of verbal abuse between two parties 2. Report of verbal abuse from an intoxicated person 3. Report of a group of intoxicated people shouting abuse. All calm on Police arrival.
Hate Related	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Derogatory comments made over messaging. No complaint forthcoming, support offered.
RTC	4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Damage only RTC 2. Minor injury RTC 3. Damage only RTC

		4. Death caused by RTC. Investigation on-going
Shoplifting	2	1. Report of high-value theft. Investigation on-going 2. Report of shoplifting. Investigation on-going.
Theft	2	1. Report of low value theft between family members 2. Report of a theft from a driveway.
Threats	3	1. Domestic related 2. Domestic related 3. Report of threats being made via social media.

Events conducted:

1. Police Surgery was held Wednesday 19th April from 4pm - 6pm at Tesco Cefn Mawr. The next date will be set in due course.
2. Operation Lampoon was carried out on Wednesday 3rd May. Tacking ASB and low-level crime.

PLAS MADOC

Incident	Number of incidents	Summary of Investigation
ASB	12	11 x separate reports regarding off road bikes being used on the Leisure Centre field. NPT are aware of the issues and will conduct an Op when resources permit. 1 x report ASB from neighbours – loud music, smoking cannabis
S.47 Assault	1	1. Report of an assault. Suspect arrested
Criminal Damage	2	1. Report of minor damage being caused to a window by youths. No suspect has been identified 2. Report of damage being caused to a window
Public Order	2	1. Report of two individuals fighting. Investigation on-going. 2. Report of two parties arguing in the street. All in order upon Police arrival.
Road Related	1	1. Report of an intoxicated driver
RTC	1	1. Damage only RTC. No injury

- **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.

- **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 Wrecsam Wledig/NWP Wrexham Rural Facebook Page and Twitter.

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

	SER	RANK	NO	NAME		WARD	SAMSUNG
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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/MOSS	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, Cllr D Metcalfe raised concerns with regards to the level of ASB in the area, in his opinion it has increased lately.

Cllr D Wright explained that he recently had a meeting with the newly appointment police inspector, who has made assurances that his team have made progress in tackling the high numbers of ASB in the area, and is committed to working alongside the community council.

6. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY AGENT

COMMUNITY AGENT MONTHLY REPORT

May 2023

0 referrals from British Red Cross (BRC)

2 referrals from Social Services (SS)

Other – 5 referrals

17 family/self referrals

0 District Nurses/GP

3 WCBC/CC referrals

2 referrals from BCUHB

Cefn – 11 referrals

Rhosymedre – 5 referrals

Acrefair – 3 referrals

Newbridge – 0 referrals

Plas Madoc – 6 referrals

Other – 4

Good evening everyone and yes, I'm so pleased to say it's me again.

Since I came back into post (2nd May), I have received 29 referrals. In addition to this, I have received 6 referrals from residents under the age of 50 years old. This does mean that I already have a small waiting list of 2 weeks, therefore allowing each resident to get the support they deserve and not feel rushed and complete all paperwork within my hours.

This will be a short report this month, for obvious reasons however, I am making changes to how I will deliver it from next month onwards. The idea is that you will be able to gather a better idea of what support is being requested and provided at just a glance, and provide a far better overview of what is undertaken within this role.

So, in brief, there has been a noticeable increase in referrals relating to housing and homelessness since the laws around renting has changed in Wales. I am fully aware of how to assist our residents with this matter, having (hopefully) now ironed out blips with other supporting agencies. If you are aware of anyone who is currently renting privately and may need

advice and/or support due to the threat of homelessness, then please don't hesitate to get in touch with me. Finally, we also have several poorly residents within our community and I am working closely with both them and their families to ensure that that they receive the best care and support available during these difficult times.

If you have any questions, then please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Many thanks, Marie-Claire

The Clerk reported that she has received an email from WCBC requesting that all funding for the community agent post is subject to the community council having all relevant policies in place. These policies are currently in the process of being collated. The community agent has also been requested to complete online training by WCBC, which she has started after a delay in receiving her online portal log in.

7. TO RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT

1. The Clerk stated that the litter pick for June needs to be scheduled and suggested the dates of either the 21st or the 28th of June. A discussion followed, and it was agreed that the next litter pick will be on Coed Richard, Meeting at 10am next to the play park on Lancaster Terrace, 28th of June.
2. There will be a community agent drop-in session in the Youth Club on the 25th of May 9am – 11.30am. Food and hot/cold drinks will be available for free. This is to encourage the community to use the warm space, games crafts and equipment have been purchased courtesy of a grant from WCBC.
3. A food hygiene visit from WCBC was positive, the council are able to use the kitchen spaces within George Edwards Hall to provide hot and cold food at any functions the council wish to organise.
4. The clerk reported that it will soon be time to organise the annual gardening competition, and that it become increasingly difficult to attract competitors. Councillor D Wright proposed that it be organised for this year, and if the turn out is low a decision can be made on whether to continue.
5. The Kings Coronation coins were distributed to the schools and the Clerk thanked the councillors for presenting them. The Schools were grateful to receive them.
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8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- (a) To confirm the minutes of the Community Development Meeting held on Tuesday 24th of April 2023– ***RESOLVED that the minutes of the Community Development Meeting held***

on Tuesday the 24th of April 2023– be confirmed and signed by the chairman at the earliest opportunity.

- (b) To confirm the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25th of April 2023–
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25th of April 2023 be confirmed and signed by the chairman at the earliest opportunity.
- (c) To confirm the minutes of the Finance meeting held on Tuesday the 25th of April 2023–
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance meeting held on Tuesday 25th of April 2023 be confirmed and signed by the chairman at the earliest opportunity.

9. Monthly Accounts

ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT 23rd MAY 2023

EXPENDITURE

Wages/Sal from (month 1)	T
Nicholls-Smith, H Parry, S Roberts, N Hughes-Lloyd, MC Hartshorne	5915.27
C Haycock	

Invoice No

INV NO	CHQ NO	RETRO	FROM	£
23/018A	106596	Y	PPL/PRS - Invoice for music licence	128.52
23/019	BACS	Y	Adexa - Invoice for catering equipment (Warm spaces Grant)	382.52
23/020	106597	Y	AVOW - Invoice for membership	15.00
23/021	BACS	Y	ACS Technology - Invoice for office IT	177.10
23/022	BACS	Y	Peter Green Groundcare - Invoice for play areas	750.00
23/023	BACS	Y	Peter Green Groundcare - Invoice for cemetery	1160.00
23/024	BACS	Y	Steve Pugh - Invoice for gravedigging	650.00
23/025	BACS	Y	Splash Community Trust - Invoice for football tournament	613.38
23/026	106599	Y	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall	196.02
23/027	106600	Y	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall	131.08
23/028	106601	Y	Flintshire CC - Invoice for added years	245.34
23/029	106602	Y	Viking Direct - Invoice for office & Hall	321.39
23/030	BACS	Y	Northalls Wrought Iron Design - Invoice for GE Hall railings	1260.00
23/031	BACS	Y	TMNS - Expenses for Apr/May (LGA 1972 sect 112)	352.50
23/032	BACS		WCBC - Invoice for repair at Rhosymedre Pla Area	103.94
23/033	BACS		WCBC - Invoice for Trade refuse charges at Trefynant Cemetery	728.00
23/034	BACS		WCBC - Invoice for trade refuse charges at GE Hall	295.00
23/035	106603		Azets - invoice for payroll for six months	300.00
23/036	BACS		TMNS - Expenses for Apr/May (LGA 1972 sect 112)	140.59

Invoices Received During April/May 23

HMRC Tax & NI	1163.25
Clwyd Pension Fund	984.93
Staff member Payment GOV.UK	235.92
DEA	17.40
HSBC (27.03.23)	12.32
WCBC NNDR	732.25
Scottish Power	299.12
	<u>£17310.84</u>

Income

HMRC	4284.42
WCVA	6970.80
National Heritage Lottery	15,236.80
National Heritage Lottery	3809.20

Burial

Marcher Stone (Rec0286)	60.00
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GE Hall

Ernies Carpets (Rec0285)	40.00
S Ogden (Rec0287)	44.00
G Langford (Rec0290)	110.00
Slimming World (Rec0291)	421.85
Clwyd South Lab Grp (Rec0288)	82.50
Wxm Lab Grp (Rec0292)	50.00
Cefn Hist Soc (Rec0289)	22.00

Interest

Business Money Manager 13.04.23	188.89
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£31320.46

Resolved that the listed payments be approved

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence Received During April/May 23:

Bolded items are recommended to be noted by the Chairman:

1			Simon Baynes - Newsletter
2			Cefn Mawr & District - Minutes from 20/04/23
3			Audit Wales - Email - <i>Information required for audit 22-23 – The Clerk stated that a full audit is required this year, she is waiting for further clarification regarding dates. The internal audit is currently being prepared and will be ready for inspection before submission at next months full council meeting -</i>

4		Resident Acrefair - Email re: ASB at Cae'r Efail Estate – <i>The Clerk reported she had received an email from a local resident which complained about a member of the public repeatedly urinating outdoors in view of the general public. Clerk confirmed to members that she has reported this to the PCSO, but has been advised that the perpetrator has been spoken with and the matter resolved.</i>
5		Calon FM - Request for financial assistance - Moved to December
6		Ken Skates - E-newsletter
7		Ysgol Acrefair - letter of thanks re: football Tournament
8		Commonwealth War Graves - Email re: request to install sign- <i>The clerk read an email seeking permission to erect a plaque at Trefynant Cemetery stating that there are war graves present on the site. A discussion followed and it was decided that the best location will be the on the side of the cabin. All in favour of granting permission for this to go ahead – The Clerk was requested to inform the CWG commission of the decision.</i>
9		OVW - Email re: Twinning Survey – <i>The Clerk read an email to members, resolved for the Clerk to complete on Councils behalf.</i>

11. TO RECEIVE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P/2023/0226 Variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/2019/0122 to extend
Time limit for submission of reserved matters
Land to the rear of Hillcrest, North of Bethania Road, Acrefair
In relation to application P/2023/0226 no observations/objections were raised

P/2023/0233 Conversion of former bank to 2 dwellings including demolition of rear
Extension and erection of first floor rear extension
Former HSBC Bank 26 Well Street, Cefn Mawr
*In relation to application P/2023/0233 Councillor D Wright raised concerns that should any
temporary traffic lights be installed outside of the property, any scaffolding erected at this side
would impede the pathway at the only viable drop off point to the doctors surgery.*

P/2023/0234 Conservation Area – demolition of rear extension and erection of first
Floor rear extension
Former HSBC bank 26 Well Street Cefn Mawr
In relation to application P/2023/0234 no observations/objections were raised

12 .REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

12.1 Cllr D Wright updated members on the proposed bridge at Ty Mawr. The feasibility study has begun which has been funded by Cadwyn Clwyd. The work on the study needs to be completed by the end of June and therefore, due to time constraints there will be no public consultation.

12.2 In relation to the Newbridge landslip, Cllr D Wright stated that he is still awaiting information to be released as to whether a contractor has been appointed to undertake the work, he is hopeful that K Edwards will be reporting to council in May.

12.3 Cllr Mrs G Wright reported that a ‘request bus stop’ on Trem Dolydd would help a local resident with walking difficulties, Cllr D Wright requested the clerk compose a letter to the bus company to enquire if this would be possible.

12.4 Cllr S Benbow Jones suggested that a drop of point for the elderly and disabled to access the activity centre could be rectified if a H Bar is placed over the entrance to the pathway to keep access clear. Cllr D Wright confirmed that this land is owned by the Local Authority Education Department, clerk to make enquiries.

12.5 Cllr P Vaughan stated the footpath past Acrefair school is overgrown. Clerk to report.

12.6 Cllr I Twigg reported that the bushes around the Cefn Bank car park are overgrown – clerk to report.

12.7 Cllr P Blackwell stated that there are two large potholes outside Springfield Villas in Acrefair - Clerk to report.

12.8 Cllr P Roberts stated that the large pothole in Newbridge has still not been rectified – clerk to report.

12.9 A resident has approached Cllr D Wright to request double yellow lines be placed outside Pubby McPubface in Newbridge, and at the junction of High Street and Park Road, Rhosymedre, clerk to write to highways at WCBC.

12.10 Cllr D Wright reported that the feasibility study for the health centre has been approved and a meeting has been convened for this forthcoming Thursday the 25th of May.

12.11 Cllr D Metcalfe reported to members that the Ebenezer re-opened on Monday the 15th of May. There will be a Chamber of Commerce meeting organised for June, and invited members of the council to attend if they wish.

12.12 Cllr Metcalfe suggested that enquires be made with Eastmans to request that land adjacent to Trefynant cemetery be used for extra parking. Chair Mr P Vaughan stated that past enquires have been made and the company has declined to allow this.

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance, and declared the meeting closed.