

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held on 14th February 2013
at Cartrefle, Cefn Road, Wrexham

Cllr Marc Jones (Chair)
Cllr B. Pritchard (Vice Chair)

Cllr T. A. Birch
Cllr B. Cameron
Cllr A. K. Gregory
Cllr B. Halley
Cllr C. Harper
Cllr J. Johnson

Cllr Maurice Jones
Cllr S. Jones
*Cllr M. King
Cllr C. Lloyd
*Cllr C. Powell
*Cllr P Williams

*Absent

Also present:
Rebecca Cole (N. Wales Newspaper Group)

131. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. C. Powell and P. Williams

132. POLICE MATTERS & CONSIDERATION OF CCTV PROVISION (PM 118)

As there was no-one present to represent N. Wales Police and no crime statistics had been provided. Members went on to further considered the acquisition of a mobile CCTV camera.

The Clerk reported that he has contacted Wrexham CBC and although discussions have been held on the location of monitoring stations for the North Wales Authorities, it was less certain when their existing system will be replaced as it was dependant upon securing funding and then following a procurement process.

As part of the discussions, it appears that if the Community Council decided to proceed independently, it will need to adopt a code of conduct / acceptable use policy for the operation of a camera and examples had been obtained. It would also be a requirement to register with the Information Commissioner as a requirement of the Data Protection Act. The guidance on this requirement runs to 24 pages.

It was felt that perhaps if the Community Council acquired the camera, it could be "adopted" by the Police or Wrexham CBC who already have these requirements in place but this would need further investigation and agreement. The Clerk reported that he had approached the Police but a reply had not been received to date.

It was **Resolved:** *to defer consideration until the March meeting pending receipt of further information.*

133. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved:

(i) That the minutes of the ordinary and confidential meetings held on 10th January 2013 be received and adopted as a correct record.

Matters arising:

134. YOUTH SHELTER – PRINCE CHARLES ROAD (PM 86, 104 & 120)

It was noted that no progress had been made on this to date. A Member expressed concern that additional security measures were being undertaken by Wrexham CBC at some cost and felt that the situation should not continue for a prolonged period.

135. ENVIRONMENTAL / AMENITY SCHEMES (PM 78, 93, 107 & 121)

- (i) It was reported that the lighting works had commenced on Hightown Road.
- (ii) A quotation from an external contractor had been received for the installation of the concrete bases for the seats. It was **Resolved:** *to proceed with the installation of the bases.*

136. TRAFFIC CALMING CEFN ROAD (PM 124)

The Clerk advised that following the consultation exercise carried out by Wrexham CBC, the majority of those residents responding were in favour of the proposed scheme including Ysgol Morgan Llwyd and the Day Nursery.

Accordingly, approval had been given by the Chief Officer under his delegated powers for work to commence and in fact the removal of the build outs had started on 14th February.

Members questioned the likely effectiveness of the new proposals and felt that it had done nothing to address the wider issue of speeding along the entire length of Cefn Road. They were also disappointed that the work had started without any reference to the Community Council who had largely funded the original scheme as recommended by Wrexham CBC some six years ago.

It was **Resolved:** *to monitor the situation and to press for additional measures further along Cefn Road in the direction of Abenbury Road and to monitor the amount of heavy goods vehicles using the road as an alternative to the new Industrial Estate Link Road.*

137. CORRESPONDENCE

(i) Wrexham CBC – Adult Social Care Community Inclusion Grant

Members received a leaflet outlining the scheme which gave examples of possible initiatives and criteria for applying for the grants. It was **Resolved:** *To forward the leaflet and information to Deva House Older People's Day Centre*

(ii) Wrexham CBC – Youth Service provision.

This letter was to update Community Councils on the delivery of youth services and advising that a presentation would be made at the Town and Community Council Forum. It was noted that the provision in Caia Park was currently delivered through a contract with Caia Park Partnership Ltd. **Resolved:** *To note the letter.*

(iii) Age Concern / Wrexham CBC – This letter provided details of start up grants available for Luncheon Clubs as in previous years. **Resolved: *To note the letter.***

(iv) Wrexham CBC – Town & Community Council Forum. Next meeting to be held at the Guildhall on Tuesday 12th March at 6.30pm. **Resolved:** *To note the letter.*

(v) Communication from a volunteer with Kerbcraft regarding possible cut in financial provision for the service

Members were circulated with a copy of an email received from a volunteer with Kerbcraft outlining possible funding reductions from Wrexham Council and

requesting that the Community Council encourage Wrexham CBC to reconsider their plans. The Clerk advised that an application for financial assistance had been received from the Child Pedestrian Training Co-ordinator in relation to Kerbcraft but it gave no indication of the proposed shortfall in funding. Accordingly, the Clerk had contacted the Chief Officer at Wrexham CBC who advised that the scheme had been reliant on Welsh Government funding supplemented last year by funding from Wrexham Council. He advised that no decision had been taken regarding funding or the scheme for 2013/14.

It was **Resolved:** *To contact Wrexham CBC asking them to maintain the existing service.*

(Supplementary Agenda)

(vi) **AVOW Newsletter – Health Social Care and Well being issue - Noted**

138. MEMBERS ALLOWANCES

The Clerk presented a report on the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales' annual report. The Panel is the body responsible for setting allowances for elected members of principal authorities, and as part of their work they considered the roles of Community Councils. They acknowledged that the level of involvement of individual Councillors at community level varies considerably and indeed the work of individual councils.

As a result they set out allowances for travel and subsistence when undertaking authorised Community Council business outside of the community area. In addition, they gave Community Councils the discretion to pay their Members an annual allowance of up to £100 for costs incurred in respect of telephone usage, I.T. consumables etc (Determination 7 within the report) and to authorise a Chair and / or Vice Chair's allowance of an amount that each Council deems appropriate (Determination 12)

The Clerk reminded Members that they already include a Chair's allowance within the budget. Following discussion, it was **Resolved:** *Not to pay a Member's allowance for financial year 2013/14*

139. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered the following applications received **Resolved -**
That no objections be submitted in relation to:

(i) **P2013/0055 58 Newquay Drive, Wrexham**
Conservatory to the rear of property

Supplementary agenda

(ii) **P2013/0076 Land adjacent to The Venture, Garner Road, Wrexham**
Construction of car park

140. COMMUNITY ADVICE SERVICE

Members received details of the quarterly statistics (Oct – Dec 2012) together with comparative data for the previous quarter and the same quarter in 2011.

A Member referred to the out of area figures and was concerned that some clients were being seen who did not live in Caia Park whereas others are refused. It was pointed out that the figures referred to in the report were the number of contacts or visits and did not represent individual clients. Members were reminded that the policy agreed some time ago did not allow new clients from out of area but did allow for

existing vulnerable clients at the time to continue to receive a service. It was hoped that if additional funding could be attracted from financial inclusion initiatives, there may be an opportunity to widen the service to Hightown in line with the new Communities First boundary.

Resolved: *To note the statistical information and policy arrangements and to give details of the number of out of area clients on future reports.*

141. REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

It was Resolved:

(a) *That the Council, in accordance with its powers under S137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure:*

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| (i) | <i>Rhosnesni Residents Association</i> | - | <i>£400</i> |
| | <i>(Cllr B. Pritchard as a Member of the Association declared a personal interest in this application but in accordance with the Code of Conduct (grant of £500 or less) did not have to withdraw whilst the matter was under consideration)</i> | | |
| (ii) | <i>Annbriaeze Morris dancers</i> | - | <i>£250</i> |
| (iii) | <i>Wrexham & Dist Health Support Groups</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (iv) | <i>Macmillan Cancer Care</i> | - | <i>£200</i> |
| (v) | <i>Cruse Bereavement Care</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (vi) | <i>Shelter Cymru</i> | - | <i>£100</i> |
| (vii) | <i>NCPCC</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (viii) | <i>Dyslexia Wales</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (ix) | <i>Llangollen International Eisteddfod</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (x) | <i>N. Wales Deaf Assoc</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (xi) | <i>Nightingale House</i> | - | <i>£1000</i> |
| (xii) | <i>Denbs. & Dist. National Eisteddfod 2013</i> | - | <i>£100</i> |
| (xiii) | <i>Victim Support</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (xiv) | <i>All Wales Domestic Abuse Helpline</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (xv) | <i>Marie Curie Cancer Care</i> | - | <i>£100</i> |
| (xvi) | <i>Childrens Cancer Support</i> | - | <i>£100</i> |
| (xvii) | <i>Urdd Gobaith Cymru</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |
| (xviii) | <i>Wrexham Homestart</i> | - | <i>£150</i> |
| (xviii) | <i>Kidney Wales Foundation</i> | - | <i>£50</i> |

(b) *That the following application stand deferred pending further information on what provision already exists:*

- (i) *Advance Brighter Futures*
(Cllr Marc Jones, as a Trustee of Advance Brighter Futures, declared a personal interest in this application and withdrew from the meeting whilst under consideration)

(c) *That the following application stand deferred until after April when the funding of the service should be clearer:*

- (ii) *Kerbcraft*

(d) *That no grant be made in respect of:*
Bobath Children's Centre

142. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial statement for period ending 31st January 2012 was submitted.

Resolved: *That the financial statement for the period be received and adopted.*

143. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Resolved: That the accounts for February 2013 be approved for payment:

				£. p	Authority
D.D.	Investec	General Admin	*	72.00	
D.D.	Pace Telecom	General Admin	*	11.55	
		CAS	*	<u>25.66</u>	
				37.21	
D.D.	EON	St Peter's Hall	*	59.75	
6139	WCBC	Amenity/Environment		2500.00	

D.D.	Dee Valley Water	St Peter's Hall		12.00	
6151)	Ron Bentley Printers	CAS	*	183.12	
)	Ron Bentley Printers	General Admin		88.44	
6152	Wrexham CBC	Amenity/Environment		7060.34	Local Gvt & Rating Act 1997 s30
6153	J F Glaziers	Cartrefle	*	96.00	Local Govt Act 1972s133
6154	J. R. Boyle Glaziers	Cartrefle	*	242.04	Local Govt Act 1972s133
6155	Bates Office supplies	Cartrefle	*	48.84	
6156	Institute of Money Advisers	CAS		35.00	
	Petty Cash	General Admin		30.00	
6157	British Gas	St Peter's Hall	*	438.59	Local Govt Act 1972s133
D.D.	EON	Cartrefle	*	305.90	Local Govt Act 1972s133
D.D.	EON	St Peter's Hall	*	40.33	Local Govt Act 1972s133
6158	WNW	Cartrefle	*	155.98	
		St Peter's Hall	*	<u>94.21</u>	
				281.39	
6159	CPAG	CAS		26.99	
6160	Rhosnesni Residents Assoc	Donation		400.00	Local Govt Act 1972s137
6161	Annbraize Morris Dancers	Donation		250.00	"
6162	Wrexham Health Support Group	Donation		50.00	"
6163	Macmillan Cancer Care	Donation		200.00	"
6164	Cruse Bereavement	Donation		50.00	"
6165	Shelter Cymru	Donation		100.00	"
6166	NSPCC	Donation		50.00	"
6167	Dyslexia Wales	Donation		50.00	"
6168	Llangollen Eisteddfod	Donation		50.00	"
6169	N. Wales Deaf Assoc	Donation		50.00	"
6170	Nightingale House	Donation		1000.00	"
6171	Denbighshire Nat Eisteddfod	Donation		100.00	"
6172	Victim Support	Donation		50.00	"
6173	All Wales Domestic Abuse	Donation		50.00	"
6174	Marie Curie Cancer Care	Donation		100.00	"
6175	Childrens Cancer Support	Donation		100.00	"
6176	Urdd Eisteddfod	Donation		50.00	"
6177	Home Start Wrexham	Donation		150.00	"
6178	Kidney Wales Foundation	Donation		50.00	"
D.D.	Plus net	CAS (St Peter's)	*	12.00	
D.D.	Plus net	General Admin	*	32.39	
D.D.	Dee Valley Water	Cartrefle		32.12	
	J. Francis (Salary Feb)	St Peter's Hall			
	G. Evans (Travel)	CAS			
	P. Donellan (Travel)	CAS			
	K. Walker (Sal adj Feb/Travel)	CAS			
	P. Rondel(Sal adj Feb)	St Peter's Hall			
	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax NI (Feb)			
	Clwyd Pension Fund	Pensions (Feb)			

*Figs include VAT which is reclaimable