

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at  
Cartrefle, Cefn Road, Wrexham

Cllr P M Williams (**Chair**)  
Cllr M. Allum (**Vice Chair**)

Cllr A K Gregory	Cllr C Lloyd
Cllr B Halley	Cllr D G Mitchell
Cllr J Howell	*Cllr C Powell
Cllr N Hughes	Cllr R Prince
*Cllr J M Humberstone	Cllr B R Pritchard
Cllr M A Humphreys	*Cllr T Thomas
Cllr M King	

\*Absent

Also in attendance: Sgt D. Jacks – North Wales Police

**63. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. J. Humberstone and T. Thomas

**64. POLICE MATTERS**

Sgt Jacks reported that there had been a change in personnel with CBM David Jones having left and replaced by P.C. Miles Hanmer. Statistics were presented on a ward by ward basis (with comparative information for other areas) covering reported incidents of anti social behaviour, criminal damage, burglary from dwellings and thefts of and from motor vehicles. The statistics indicated that Queensway Ward had the highest number of reported incidents in most categories when compared with the other four Caia wards.

Concern was expressed that the three year commitment given by N. Wales Police for CBMs to remain in a ward seems to have been eroded and it was agreed to write to the Chief Constable expressing concern and asking for clarification.

Members felt that when the Eagles Meadow development opens the policing of it will need to be carefully monitored as it falls within the Smithfield Ward. It would appear that some of the businesses wish to remain open until 2am and it was felt that the policing of the area would be beyond the capacity of traditional community policing. It was hoped that the Town Centre policing team would assist and that the granting of any alcohol licences would be carefully monitored.

**Other items raised:**

Increase in the numbers of young people drinking in the Tanydre and Bryn Estyn Lane areas. Sgt Jacks advised that the Police were working with Trading Standards and making test purchases in the area. In addition, the Police had visited licenced premises in the area.

Motorists travelling against the one way system in Manley Road. – This matter to be addressed later on agenda but the Police and PCSO will monitor.

Deployment of police dog - Sgt Jacks confirmed that the dog is present within Caia on a daily basis. A general exchange of views took place on matters relating to drug crime.

It was noted that there had been few complaints of problems associated with motor bikes in recent weeks.

Sgt Jacks was thanked for his presentation and Members asked that their thanks be conveyed to the rest of the community policing team.

**65. CHAIR & MEMBERS REPORTS**

Cllr P. Williams & Cllr M Allum - Attended the Community Council Forum meeting at which a presentation on Eagles Meadow, Dog Control Orders and Wrexham CBC's "one stop shop" proposals were given.

Cllr P. Williams and others - Attended Code of Conduct training provided by Wrexham County Borough Council. Members were reminded of the presentation as it related to declaration of interests and Member's behaviour and interaction with others.

Cllr K Gregory - Attended Smithfield Tenants & Residents meeting and reported that a further meeting was to take place on 10<sup>th</sup> October to further consider residents parking schemes.

Cllr. B. Pritchard - Represented the Community Council at the funeral of the late Mr. C. Turnbull.

**66. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

***Resolved:***

*That the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2008 be received and adopted as a correct record.*

**67. STREET LIGHTING (PM 53 & 37)**

The Clerk advised that an order had been placed to carry out the works agreed at the September meeting. It was reported that the newly installed lights at West Circle were not working. The Clerk advised that none of the lights illuminating the MUGA were working and that the costs to repair would be in the region of £800/£1200. It was ***Resolved:*** *that the Community Council would fund this work as a "one off" provided that suitable guards were placed over the lanterns to prevent further damage.*

**68. YOUTH SHELTER OFF PRINCE CHARLES ROAD (PM54)**

Members enquired if there was any progress with regard to the refurbishment of the shelter. Cllr King advised that there was ongoing discussion with Wrexham CBC regarding the most appropriate repair and the need to ensure that structurally it satisfied requirements. Cllr Prince advised that he had spoken to a number of young people recently and it appeared that they would like to see the shelter repaired rather than removed or replaced with the commercial type of shelter.

Arising from this discussion Members enquired if a fence could be erected around the MUGA as this was the original intention but it was never erected.

**69. SMITHFIELD YOUTH SHELTER (PM 56, 36,25&18)**

The Clerk advised that Wrexham CBC had placed an order for the works

**70. NARROWING OF JUNCTION SMITHFIELD ROAD/MANLEY ROAD**

Members were advised that Wrexham CBC had secured some funding to carry out improvements at this junction. The total cost of works was estimated to be approximately £12,000 and the County Council were enquiring if the £5000 contribution originally agreed by the Community Council was available. Members re-affirmed their original decision taken in July (PM41 ii) and it was ***Resolved:*** *To advise the County Borough Council that the Community Council's contribution of £5,000 was still available for this scheme.*

## 71. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY REVIEW

Members were advised that the Local Government Boundary Commission had submitted their final report to the Welsh Assembly Government and had re-affirmed their draft recommendation that properties south of Abenbury Road should transfer from Caia into Abenbury but that the development of Cefn Road know as Thornleigh and Oakhurst should transfer into Caia. The proposal would see the transfer of some 500 electors from Caia to Abenbury Community and the reduction of one Community Councillor (Wynnstay ward).

Member expressed their disappointment and were particularly concerned over the future of Pentre Gwyn and Tan y Coed Community Centre if it transfers into Abenbury Community when it is primarily used by residents from within Caia.

Following discussion, it was **Resolved:** *To write to the Welsh Assembly Government to object to the recommendation as submitted by the Boundary Commission.*

## 72. CORRESPONDENCE

- **Wrexham Community Strategy 2009-2020**

Members received the consultation document and were reminded that they could individually complete the questionnaire attached.

As a Community Council, the view was that the document was bland, without focus and had no direction or depth and it was **Resolved:** *To write accordingly*

- **Notification of applications for licences to sell alcohol**

The notifications in respect of Unit B11b (Nandos) and Unit 1 (Debenhams) were received and noted.

- **Wrexham CBC – Tidy Towns Initiative**

Correspondence relating to grants available under the above scheme was received. Discussion took place over possible schemes including the river Gwenfro and flooding of the footpath at The Dunks. Following discussion, it was **Resolved:** *To contact the author of the correspondence to seek further clarification and if appropriate, to pass on details to Caia Park Environmental Group and Communities First.*

- **Wrexham Sustainability Forum – invitation to meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2008**

An invitation to attend the meeting was received and noted. (Cllr D. Mitchell is a member of the Sustainability Forum)

- **Salvation Army – Official reopening – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2008**

It was **Resolved:** *That Cllr. P. Williams attend.*

- **Mayors Charity Dinner – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2008**

Noted

- The following reports and consultation documents were received and noted

Caring for our health 2008 - 2011

Wrexham Local Health Board Annual Report 2007-8

AVOW Newsletter

Alzheimer's Society Newsletter

**73. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered the following applications for planning permission submitted for their observations by Wrexham CBC:

*Resolved: that no objection be raised on the following applications:*

**P2008/0989 – 4-5 Yorke Street, Wrexham**

Change of use to allow premises for A1 retail use and/or A3 café & restaurant use

**P2008/1009 - Unit D10 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

Erection of 3 no. logo shop signs

**P2008/0997- Rosebys/Benson Beds, 2 Border Retail Park, Holt Rd., Wrexham**

Installation of 2 no. new fire doors

**P2008/0998 - Staples, Border Retail Park, Wrexham**

Installation of 1 no. new fire exit & widen 2 no. existing fire doors

**P2008/1017 - Unit C6 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

Erection of shop sign

**P2008/1018 - Unit D11 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

1 no. fascia sign and 1 no. vinyl shop sign

**P2008/1019 - Unit D2 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

Installation of new shop front

**P2008/1020 - Unit D11 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

1 no. fascia sign

**P2008/1043 - Unit D12 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

New shop front

**P2008/1044 - Unit D12 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

1 no. fascia sign and 1 no. window graphic unit

**P2008/1045 - Unit D9 Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

2 no. fascia signs (1 no. illuminated)

**P2008/1053 Unit A2 Block C Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

Erection of 2 no. Internally illuminated fascia signs

**P2008/1064 Unit B12, Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

Restaurant signage

**P2008/1068 Unit D5, Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

New shop front

**P2008/1069 Units B11A, B12 & B13, Eagles Meadow, Wrexham**

Installation of new shop fronts

*Resolved: that objections be raised on the following applications:*

**P2008/1005 - Coed Aben, off Anthony Eden Drive, Wrexham**

Construction of 3 no. 2 bedroom bungalows and 1 no. specialist 3 bedroom bungalow with associated parking, car ports and external stores

**Reason:** The development will result in a loss of open space to the detriment of existing residents

**P2008/1004 - Glan Gors, off Anthony Eden Drive, Wrexham**

Construction of 4 no. 2 bedroom bungalows with associated parking, car ports and external stores

**Reason:** The development will result in a loss of open space to the detriment of existing residents

**74. FINANCIAL STATEMENT – September 2008**

The Clerk submitted the provisional financial statements for period ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008. *Resolved: That the financial statements be received and adopted.*

## 75. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

*Resolved: That the following accounts be approved:*

			£ . p	Authority
D.D.	British Gas (elect)	Cartrefle	*286.66	
		St Peter's Hall	* <u>59.69</u>	346.35
D.D.	Pace Telecom	General Admin	* 59.71	
		CAS	* <u>126.34</u>	186.05
D.D.	ING Leasing	General Admin	*	165.67
5273	Vodafone	General Admin	*	15.85
D.D.	Dee Valley Water	St Peter's Hall		7.53
D.D.	Wrexham CBC	St Peter's Hall		112.00
D.D.	Wrexham CBC	Cartrefle		687.00
5274	Graphic Office Systems	General Admin	*	46.16
5275	City Electrical Factors	Cartrefle	*	62.76
5276	LASA	CAS		19.00
5277	Church in Wales	CAS		320.00
		St Peter's Hall		644.00
5278	NIBBS	CAS	* 7.94	
		General Admin	* <u>32.02</u>	39.96
5279	Hallam Heating	Cartrefle	*	49.40
5280	Ron Bentley & Sons	General Admin	*	140.65
5281	Chair's Allowance	General Admin		
D.D.	Dee Valley Water	Cartrefle		40.39
D.D.	Nat West Business Card	General Admin	*	31.71
	P. Emery (Salary cheque - Oct)	CAS		
	G. Evans (travel Oct)	CAS		
	K. Walker (Sal adj/travel Oct)	CAS		
	P. Donellan (travel Oct )	CAS		
	J. Francis (Oct )	St Peter's Hall		
	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax NI (Oct)		
	FCC	Pensions (Oct)		

(\*Includes recoverable VAT of £155.46)