

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held on  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at Cartrefle, Cefn Road, Wrexham.

Cllr Marc Jones (Chair)  
\*Cllr A. K Gregory (Vice Chair)

Cllr B. Cameron	Cllr C. Lloyd
Cllr B. Halley	Cllr C. Powell
Cllr C. Harper	Cllr B. Pritchard
Cllr J. Johnson	Cllr P. M. Williams
*Cllr S. Jones	Cllr Paul Williams
*Cllr M. King	Vacancy

\*Absent

Also present:

PCSO's John Davies & Sarah Pawley	N. Wales Police
Mr. R. Sheehan	NW Newspapers

**7. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. A. K. Gregory, S. Jones and M. King

**8. POLICE MATTERS**

PCSO Davies presented the reported crime statistics for April 2016. It was noted that the figures for the Smithfield Ward in relation to theft and anti social behaviour are inflated due to certain parts of the town centre being within the ward boundary. Members asked if the statistics could exclude the town centre incidents to give a more accurate reflection of figures for the residential part of the ward. It was noted that a particular care provider located in the Whitegate Ward was adding to the statistics quite considerably. This may be attributed to staff ringing in problems created by their residents to the police rather than dealing with them themselves.

A general discussion took place on drug related matters and developments since the last meeting. Members were also updated on CCTV provision in the area. Arising from this PCSO Davies agreed to approach the CCTV monitoring staff to see if they could monitor more closely in the Caia area given the concerns.

A Member referred to incidents of rough sleeping adjacent to the former Nant Silyn care home and on Pigeon House fields. PCSO Davies offered additional patrols in the area.

A Member referred to complaints over behaviour at the Bus Station, King Street particularly relating to a Sunday. Members were advised of recent strategies and operations employed to address this problem.

**Arising from previous meeting:**

- Noted that there was PCSO representation at the recent meeting of the Rhosnesni Residents Association.
- No details provided about the criteria to be employed to access the Police & Crime Commissioner funding to combat arson although a survey had been posted on Wrexham CBCs website which will be considered later on the agenda.

**9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

*Resolved: That the minutes of the Ordinary and confidential meetings held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016 be received and adopted as a true record.*

**Matters arising:**

**10. EXTENTION OF COMMUNITY AGENT SCHEME (PM 155 iii & 165 )**

The Clerk reported that he had attended a meeting arranged for 25<sup>th</sup> April to review the previous years work. It was further reported that the grant to cover the costs associated with this initiative had been received for 2016/17. It was resolved:

*To continue with the scheme for the current financial year*

*That the Community Agent makes a presentation to the June meeting*

**11. COMMUNITY COUNCIL VACANCY (PM170)**

It was noted that the vacancy arising in the Cartrefle Ward had been advertised from 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016. Should there not be call for an election, the vacancy would be re-advertised inviting expressions of interest for co-option.

**12. MEMBERS REPORTS**

**Cllrs. J. Johnson & Paul Williams** – Attended Smithfield Residents Association.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

**(i) Wrexham CBC – Online consultation (arson)**

Members considered the question contained within the survey.

It was generally felt that the proposals detailed at Q 3,4 and 5 would have limited effect given that some youngsters do not engage at school and incidents of absenteeism are high with this group and the use of social media may not reach socially disadvantaged groups who do not have access to this facility.

There is a basic assumption that all incidents of arson are cause by young people when recent convictions have been adult members of the community.

Q7 – suggest a reinforcement and enhancement of the Pheonix project run by the Fire Service which had proved popular and successful previously in Caia Park. The

Community Council would consider financial support to supplement resources. The offer of the £1000 reward still stands.

**(ii) Wrexham Power Limited – Progress on the development consent order application for the proposed power station at Wrexham Industrial Estate**

*Resolved: To note the correspondence*

**(iii) Letter from Mr I. Lucas MP referring to a recent meeting organised by Esclusham Community Council**

*Resolved: To note the correspondence*

**Additional correspondence:**

**(iv) Wrexham CBC – Play area annual inspection reports.**

It was noted that all play areas are of low risk and did not require any special remedial work at this stage.

**(v) Wrexham CBC – Date of next Town & Community Council Forum – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**(vi) Caia Park Partnership – Request for support for Together in Wrexham Bid for Wrexham Social Enterprise Network**

*Resolved: To support the application*

**14. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS AND SUPPORTING STATEMENTS FOR 2015/16.**

The Clerk reported that the internal audit visit had taken place and accordingly, the Annual Return had been endorsed at Section 4 by the Internal Auditor. The Annual Return was now presented for signature by the Chair and Clerk before it is sent to the External Auditor in June. In addition, the annual accounts, variation analysis, level of reserves and risk assessment were also presented for approval

**Resolved:** (i) *That the Annual Return for 2015/16 be signed*  
(ii) *That the Annual Accounts, Variation Analysis, Reserves and Risk Assessment be approved and adopted.*

All Members confirmed they had no interests to declare in relation to the external auditors.

**15. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

It was **Resolved:**

*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:*

- (i) *Crowdfunding application for the preservation of the preservation and display of the standards of the Normandy, Eighth Army, Burma Star, Dunkirk and Korean veterans.* - £500  
*(Pledge only at this stage subject to total financial target being achieved)*

Members noted that this was a departure from standard practices when considering grant applications as the correspondence was a general request and was via the Crowd Funding appeal process.

## 16. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**Resolved:** That no objection be raised to the following applications

- (i) **P2016/0385 Unit 4. St Georges Crescent, Wrexham**  
 Display of externally illuminated fascia sign.
- (ii) **P2016/0406 33 Whitegate Ind. Est. , Wrexham**  
 Erection of metal storage unit (in place of bin enclosure)
- (iii) **P2016/0404 Unit 4. St Georges Crescent, Wrexham**  
 Change of use to from hairdressers (use class A1) to financial and professional services (use class A2)

**Additional application received day of meeting:**

- (iv) **P2016/0412 45 Ashburn Way, Wrexham**  
 Single storey rear extension

## 17. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial statement for period ending 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016 was submitted.

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

## 18. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

**Resolved:** *That the following accounts payable in May 2016 be approved for payment.*

D.D.	Pace Telecom	General Admin	* 11.80	
		CAS	* <u>44.95</u>	56.75
6814	RBCW	St Peter's Hall	750.00	
		CAS	<u>375.00</u>	1125.00
6820	British Gas	St Peter's Hall	*	330.60
D.D.	CPAG	CAS		70.00

D.D.	Dee Valley Water	St Peter's Hall		13.79
D.D.	Plus net	St Peter's Hall	*	12.00
D.D.	Wrexham CBC	Cartrefle		673.00
D.D.	Wrexham CBC	St Peter's Hall		156.00

6821	Graphic Office Systems	CAS	* 29.82	
		General Admin	* <u>9.94</u>	39.76
6822	BestHost	General Admin		10.50
6823	WCBC	Amenity/Environ (Pentre Gwyn)		1242.49
6824	Bates Office Services	CAS	*	23.94
6825	JDH Business Services	General Admin	*	423.00
6826	Valuation Office Agency	Property acquisition	*	1087.26
6827	WNW	Cartrefle	* 51.58	
		St Peter's Hall	* <u>211.62</u>	263.20
6828	Powys Teaching Health Bd	General Admin	20.54	
		CAS	<u>61.62</u>	82.16
D.D.	NATWEST (Bank card fee)	General Admin		35.00
D.D.	SSE Electricity	Cartrefle	*	743.24
D.D.	SSE Electricity	St Peters Hall	*	71.23
D.D.	Dee Valley Water	Cartrefle		31.37
D.D.	Plus net	Cartrefle	*	32.03
	G. Evans (Travel)	CAS		
	P. Donellan (Travel)	CAS		
	J. Carter (Travel)	CAS		
	K. Walker (Sal adj & Travel)	CAS		
	S. Jones (Sal May)	CAS		
	P. Rondel (Sal adj May)	St Peter's Hall		
	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax NI (May)		
	Clwyd Pension Fund	Pensions (May)		

\*Figs include VAT which is reclaimable