

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2007 at  
Cartrefle, Cefn Road, Wrexham

Cllr P M Williams (**Chair**)

Cllr A K Gregory (**Vice Chair**)

\*Cllr M Allum

Cllr L Gameson

\*Cllr C D Griffiths

Cllr B T Halley

\*Cllr J Howell

Cllr J M Humberstone

\*Cllr M A Humphreys

\*Cllr M King

Cllr C Lloyd

Cllr D G Mitchell

Cllr C Powell

Cllr B R Pritchard

Cllr M J Vickers

\*Absent

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

**35. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from:

Cllrs M. Allum, C. D. Griffiths, J. Howell, M. Humphreys and M. King

**36. POLICE MATTERS**

Sgt. Darren Jacks reported that there had been a small number of incidents and comments emanating from the community giving cause for some concern and which were not conducive to good community relations. A general discussion followed with Members relating their own particular experiences from within the community areas. It was felt that inaccurate and unsubstantiated comments, particularly in relation to certain housing matters, needed to be corrected. Sgt Jacks advised that he intended to make the Joint Action Group aware of his concerns and possibly organise a multi agency meeting to discuss matters. It was **resolved: to make Wrexham CBC aware of these concerns and request that they take action to correct these misconceptions.**

A Member expressed concern over the perceived lack of Community Beat Managers presence in the area and enquired if they were being deployed elsewhere. Sgt Jacks reported that some of the CBMs designated for Caia had been deployed to help alleviate shortages within the town centre. Concern was expressed over the levels of abstraction to the detriment of the community. It was **resolved: to express our concerns to the Chief Superintendent / Inspector.**

Cllr. Colin Powell reported that the environmental "clean up" scheduled to take place in the Gwenfro area on 18<sup>th</sup> July had now been postponed until 26<sup>th</sup> July.

**37. CHAIR & MEMBERS REPORTS**

Cllrs. B. Halley, K. Gregory and P. Williams – Venture AGM

**38. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** *That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2007 be received and adopted as a correct record.*

**39. WREXHAM IN BLOOM COMPETITION (PM 12/26)**

It was reported that judging of the competition had taken place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July. The tree sculpture at Kinglsey Circle had been completed and the poster competition was scheduled for judging on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July. It was also reported that this year had seen a high number of entries for the Gardening Competition.

**40. FOOTWAY LIGHTING (PM 18/28)**

The Clerk reported that all sites previously identified by Members had been visited by Wrexham CBC's lighting engineer and quotations for new and upgraded lighting were awaited. Areas visited included:

Tan y Bryn footpath

Pentre Gwyn (two areas – adjacent to shop and footpath adjacent to No 44.)

Coed y Bryn

Cefndre/ Queensway – near Queensway House

West Circle and St David's Crescent

Archers Way (by garages)

Bernard Road

Footpath along former railway line (Hightown Road Bridge to Rubery Close)

The engineer had reported that the lighting around Tan y Coed play area was adequate and that the request for lights at the Community Centre was a matter for the Wrexham CBC's Leisure Department / Management Committee and not the Lighting Authority.

**41. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

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

**RESOLVED:** *That the Council does not object to the following applications:*

**P2007/0720 Former Methodist Church, Prince Charles Road, Wrexham**

Retention of 2 no. mobile classrooms (prev granted under P2005/0907)

(Cllrs C. Powell and P Williams declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon)

**P2007/0753 25 Salop Road, Wrexham**

Two storey extension (in retrospect) and erection of car port

**P2007/0792 31 Hullah Lane, Wrexham**

Alterations and extensions to dwelling

**P2007/0805 28 Goodwick Drive, Abenbury**

Erection of conservatory to rear of dwelling (in retrospect)

**P2007/0818 19 Tower View, Wrexham**

Take down existing single storey part and erection of new 2 storey extension

**RESOLVED:** *That the Council objects to the following applications:*

**P2007/0820 85 Kingsmills Road, Wrexham**

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 5 no. 2 bedroom apartments

**Reason:** Access arrangements are poor with vehicle parking already taking place on the approach to the site because of nearby shops etc. Concern over community safety as the access to the rear parking area does not appear to be controlled or "gated". Loss of amenity for residents adjoining/surrounding the site.

**P2007/0800 Land adjacent to Kingsley Circle, Wrexham**

Off street parking provision

**Reason:** Unsuitable location on the junction of a busy roundabout. Will remove green area and be detrimental to the visual amenity of the locality. Recognise there is a need for parking and would have no objection to alternative location alongside Kingsley Circle Community Centre as previously proposed.

**42. CORRESPONDENCE**

**(i) Traffic calming (Queensway) PM 13/27**

It was reported that a reply had been received from Wrexham CBC indicating that they would not further the request to extend the 20 mph as traffic speed checks indicate that it would not be self policing and because of the costs associated with new traffic regulation orders. It was felt that the traffic speed check had been carried out prior to the construction of the speed ramp and that this should be verified. It was **resolved:** To contact Wrexham CBC to establish when the survey was carried out and to request details of the costs associated with a new traffic regulation order.

**(ii) Owain Glyndwr Scheme**

Members received correspondence from Wrexham CBC inviting nominations for land to be considered as part of the Owain Glyndwr Scheme which is an initiative by the National Playing Field Association Cymru aimed at protecting land for recreational use in perpetuity. Members felt that land known as The Dunks met the criteria and should be submitted as a priority area. Other areas worthy of consideration included land adjacent to Coed y Bryn, Bala Road and the field between the rear of Nant Silyn Residential Home at the rear of Benjamin Road.

It was **Resolved:** *To submit The Dunks as a suitable candidate area for Owain Glyndwr status and to bring to the attention of Wrexham CBC the other sites identified.*

**(iii) Accommodation bedstock survey 2007**

A letter received from Wrexham CBC advising that a survey of holiday accommodation would be undertaken in July/August was received and noted.

**(iv) Winston Churchill Memorial Trust**

Details of the Winston Churchill memorial Trust was received and noted.

**(v) Traffic calming**

A letter from Wrexham CBC together with an attached schedule of traffic calming schemes for the County Borough was received. It was noted that only schemes fully funded by Community Councils would be considered this year as County Council resources were being targeted at decriminalisation of parking.

**(vi) Mayor's Charity Ball**

An invitation to the Mayor's Charity Ball scheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> October 2007 was received.

**(vii) Waste Recycling Group**

A copy of the non technical summary for the proposed development at Bryn Lane, Wrexham Industrial Estate was received together with an offer to attend a meeting of the Council to discuss their proposals.

**43. AUGUST RECESS – DELEGATION OF POWERS**

**RESOLVED:** *That the Chair and Vice Chair be authorised to sign cheques and approve any non controversial planning applications and other matters during the recess.*

#### 44. ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT

The Clerk reported that the annual internal audit had been completed on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2007 and the Auditor's report had been received.

**RESOLVED:** *That the one minor recommendation contained within the report be implemented.*

#### 45. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk submitted his financial statement for the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

**RESOLVED:** *That the financial statement be received and adopted.*

#### 46. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

**RESOLVED:** *That payment of the following accounts be authorised:*

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|      |                                 |                       |                 | Authority |
|------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| D.D. | Vodafone                        | General Admin         | * 13.99         |           |
| D.D. | British Gas (elect)             | Cartrefle             | *224.44         |           |
|      |                                 | St Peter's Hall       | * <u>52.25</u>  | 276.69    |
| D.D. | Pace Telecom                    | General Admin         | * 75.51         |           |
|      |                                 | CAS                   | * <u>128.04</u> | 203.55    |
| D.D. | ING Leasing                     | General Admin         |                 | 165.67    |
| D.D. | Dee Valley Water                | St Peter's Hall       |                 | 11.86     |
| D.D. | Wrexham CBC                     | St Peter's Hall       |                 | 108.00    |
| D.D. | Wrexham CBC                     | Cartrefle             |                 | 661.00    |
| 4972 | G. H. Pugh                      | Cartrefle             | *               | 12.82     |
| 4979 | Encore Computers                | CAS                   |                 | 35.00     |
| 4983 | Graphic Office Systems          | General Admin         | *               | 28.31     |
| 4984 | Viking Direct                   | General Admin         | *31.54          |           |
|      |                                 | CAS                   | * <u>32.70</u>  | 64.24     |
| 4985 | JDH Business Services           | General Admin         | *               | 295.81    |
| 4986 | R. Rayworth Web Designs         | General Admin         |                 | 315.00    |
| 4987 | N. Wales Assoc of Councils      | General Admin         |                 | 57.50     |
| 4988 | Wrexham CBC                     | Amenities/environment |                 | 450.00    |
| 4989 | R. Tressider                    | Cartrefle             | *               | 540.50    |
| D.D. | Dee Valley Water                | Cartrefle             |                 | 18.83     |
| D.D. | Nat West Business Card          | General Admin         | *               | 31.71     |
|      | P. Emery (Salary cheque - July) | CAS                   |                 |           |
|      | G. Evans (Travel – July )       | CAS                   |                 |           |
|      | P. Donnellan (Travel – July)    | CAS                   |                 |           |
|      | K. Walker (Travel – July)       | CAS                   |                 |           |
|      | H.M. Revenue & Customs          | Tax NI (July)         |                 |           |
|      | FCC                             | Pensions (July)       |                 |           |

(\*Includes recoverable VAT of £213.30)

#### 47. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (i) Progress the closure of footbridge to rear of Nant Silyn Residential Home.
- (ii) Progress replacement of section of fencing to rear of Pont Wen
- (iii) Progress damage to screen filter across river at Rivulet Road
- (iv) Report overgrown footpath leading from Rivulet Road to Newton Street
- (v) Request litter bin to be placed adjacent to Queensway House

