

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held on 13th December 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. King
Cllr C. Lloyd
Cllr D Mitchell
Cllr C Powell
Cllr B R Pritchard
*Cllr M Vickers
Vacancy

*Absent

96. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from:

Cllr A. K. Gregory, Sergeant D. Jacks (N. Wales Police) and Mr P. Dines (Wrexham CBC)

97. POLICE MATTERS

In the absence of representatives from North Wales Police there were no matters to report at this meeting.

98. CHAIR & MEMBERS REPORTS

Cllr B Pritchard reported that he had been appointed as an LEA Governor representative at Hafod y Wern School with Cllr. M. Allum representing the Minor Authority.

Cllr. C. Lloyd had attended a meeting of the Pentre Gwyn, Tan y Coed and Coed y Bryn Community Association. It was reported that Insp. C. Beasley had also attended to discuss matters of concern.

99. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved:

That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held on 8th November 2007 be received and adopted as a correct record.

100. PRIDE IN YOUR STREETS INITIATIVE (PM 84)

Members expressed their appreciation of the work carried out under this initiative and in particular of the contribution made by Mr Peter Dines and his team. Members felt that the area was looking tidier and that response times to issues raised was favourable. It was **resolved:** *to write to the Divisional Manager expressing our thanks to Mr Dines and his team.*

101. WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2006 – 2021 – PREFERRED STRATEGY CONSULTATION (PM 88)

Members expressed concern over inaccurate comments made within the community regarding this consultation process. There appeared to be wide misunderstanding and many thought that the housing sites referred to within the consultation document were earmarked for development even though Wrexham CBC had made it clear they were not at this stage endorsing any sites for development and they were included either as expressions of interest from landowners or were contained within an Urban Capacity Study which was an audit of undeveloped land within the County. Whilst the County Council was encouraging views on sites to inform them of public opinion which would be helpful at a later stage in the plan process, at present it was the broad strategy principles under consideration. The strategy adopted would ultimately determine the amount and location of land required for housing purposes.

Following discussion, it was **resolved**: to ask the Chief Planning Officer to issue a statement clarifying the position.

102. COMMUNITY ADVICE SERVICE (PM 92)

It was reported that arrangements were in place to relocate the sessions currently taking place at Spring Lodge House to The venture with effect from 2nd January 2008.

103. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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:

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| i. | <i>Pentre Gwyn, Tan y Coed and Coed y Bryn Community Assoc</i> | <i>£250</i> |
| | <i>(Cllrs. C. Lloyd, B. Halley and D. Mitchell declared an interest in this item as Committee Members and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon)</i> | |
| ii | <i>Rhosnesni Tenants & Residents Assoc</i> | <i>£250</i> |
| | <i>(Cllr B. Pritchard declared an interest in this item as a Committee Member and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon)</i> | |
| iii | <i>Home Start</i> | <i>£150</i> |
| iv. | <i>Urdd Gobaith Cymru</i> | <i>£100</i> |

It was resolved: that no grant be made to the following organizations at this time:

N. Wales Deaf Assoc

National Eisteddfod

Royal Welsh Show

104. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

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:*

P2007/1328 61 Smithfield Road, Wrexham – Single storey rear extension

P2007/1374 Staples, Border Retail Park, Holt Road, Wrexham– 4 No. shop signs

P2007/1386 9 Newquay Drive, Abenbury Park, Wrexham – continued parking and operation of 1 no private hire vehicle on a permanent basis (prev granted under code P2006/1341)

Resolved: *that the Council object to the following application:*

P2007/1374 Tesco Store, Holt road, Wrexham – temporary car park extension

Reason: The proposal will put extra pressure on an already congested and problematic entrance and exit onto Holt Road roundabout. Would reconsider if the access onto Crescent Road could be used for the period of the temporary permission, If the LPA are mindful to grant there should be clear proposals from the applicant on how they intend to ensure perimeter fencing is strengthened and effective trolley management is achieved which doesn't happen at present.

105. CORRESPONDENCE

(i) Notification of application for licenced premises 12 -15 St Georges Crescent

Members were reminded that this was a notification only and not a matter for consultation. Members expressed their concern over the existing numbers of retail outlets for alcohol in and around St Georges Crescent. It was **resolved:** *notwithstanding the letter was for information purposes, to inform Wrexham CBC of their concerns.*

(ii) Queens Park Youth Club

Members received a letter from Wrexham CBC informing them of the timescale for the closure and demolition of Queens Park Youth Club premises. Following discussion, it was **resolved:** *to write to the Chief prevention and Inclusion Officer to enquire would happen to assets and equipment and to enquire if the funds raised locally and held by the Management Committee would be safeguarded.*

(iii) AVOW Christmas reception

Cllr D Mitchell expressed an interest in attending. The Clerk to advise AVOW accordingly.

(iv) Wrexham County Borough Council traffic regulation order

Members were advised of the proposals to extend the 20mph zone from the junction of Whitegate Road on Queensway to the junction of Montgomery Road with Holt Road together with various associated side roads. It was **resolved:** *to support the traffic regulation order as outlined in the documentation.*

The following reports were received:

- i. AVOW Newsletter
- ii. Wrexham CBC forward work programme – Scrutiny Committees
- iii. Annual report Adjudication Panel for Wales

106. FUNDING OF COMMUNITY CENTRES

Members received correspondence from Wrexham CBC requesting financial contributions towards the running costs of both Pentre Gwyn and Kingsley Circle Community Centres for financial year 2008/09. Recognising the importance of the community facilities, it was **resolved**: *to accede to the request and make the following contributions as requested:*

Kingsley Circle Community centre £892
Pentre gwyn Community Centre £787

107. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Clerk of the Council submitted his financial statement for the period ended 30th November 2007.

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

The Clerk reminded Members that the budget and precept setting would be considered at the January meeting of Council. Members were advised that the additional funding for the Whitegate play area refurbishment had been secured from external sources and would not therefore need to be included within the budget for 2008/09. It was agreed that provision be included for a youth shelter for the Smithfield area as this was likely to be considered in the new year

108. ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENT

Resolved: *That the following accounts be authorised for payment*

				£ . p	Authority
D.D.	Vodafone	General Admin	*	13.99	
D.D.	British Gas (elect)	Cartrefle	*237.64		
		St Peter's Hall	* <u>61.70</u>	299.34	
D.D.	Pace Telecom	General Admin	* 18.93		
		CAS	* <u>43.16</u>	62.09	
D.D.	Dee Valley Water	St Peter's Hall		12.74	
D.D.	Wrexham CBC	St Peter's Hall		108.00	LGA 1972 s133
D.D.	Wrexham CBC	Cartrefle		661.00	LGA 1972 s133
5068	Graphic Office Systems	General Admin	*	32.80	
5069	John R Boyle	St Peter's Hall	*	56.40	
5070	WMS	General Admin	* 48.77		
		St Peter's Hall	* <u>35.66</u>	84.43	
5071	NIBBS	General Admin	*	32.58	
5072	British Gas	St Peter's Hall	*	149.42	
5073	City Electrical Factors	Cartrefle	*	109.48	
5074	Church in Wales	St Peter's Hall		964.00	LGA 1972 s133
5075	London Advice Service All.	CAS		24.00	
5076	The Venture	Donation (3 rd installment)		2000.00	LGA 1972 s137
5077	Caia Park Partnership	Donation (3 rd installment)		2000.00	LGA 1972 s 137
	Gwenfro Valley ICC	Donation (3 rd installment)		2000.00	LGA 1972 s 137
	WNW	Cartrefle	*	62.50	
		St Peter's Hall	*	48.77	
5078	Pentre Gwyn Community Assoc	Donation		250.00	LGA 1972 s137
5079	Rhosnesni Tenants & Res	Donation		250.00	LGA 1972 s 137
5080	Home Start	Donation		150.00	LGA 1972 s 137

5081	Urdd Gobaith Cymru	Donation		100.00	LGA 1972 s137
	D.D. Dee Valley Water	Cartrefle		18.80	
D.D.	Nat West Business Card	General Admin	*	116.05	
D.D.	British Telecom	St Peter's Hall	*	90.92	
D.D.	ING Leasing	General Admin	*	165.67	
5089	P. Emery (Salary cheque - Dec)	CAS			
5083	G. Evans (sal adj - Dec)	CAS			
5086	K. Walker (sal adj - Dec)	CAS			
5084	P. Donnellan (sal adj - Dec)	CAS			
5085	D. Lloyd (sal adj - Dec)	CAS			
5067	M. Morris (sal adj - Dec)	General Admin			
5082	L. Mills (sal adj - Dec)	General Admin			
5088	P. Jones (sal adj - Dec)	Cartrefle			
5066	R. Matthews (sal adj - Dec)	St Peter's Hall			
5087	S. Pritchard (sal adj - Dec)	St Peter's Hall			
	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax NI (Dec)			
	FCC	Pensions (Dec)			
	Unison	Union Subscriptions		29.12	

(*Includes recoverable VAT of £163.89)