

# CAIA PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

*A Voice for the Community*

Clerk of the Council:  
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7<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**TO: ALL COUNCILLORS**

Dear Councillor

An Ordinary meeting of the Council will be held at 7.00pm on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022**.

**The meeting will be held remotely via ZOOM** for the transaction of the following business.

Yours sincerely

*M. Morris*  
Michael Morris  
**Clerk of the Council**

## AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Confirmation of minutes of the Ordinary meeting held remotely on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and update**
3. **Declarations of Member's interest**
4. **Police Matters & Police UK stats (Latest update April 2022)**
5. **Members reports**
6. **Correspondence**
  - (i) **Wrexham CBC – Application for the grant of premises licence**
7. **To consider draft annual report on the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015**
8. **To consider draft Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty (Published every 3 years)**
9. **Planning Applications (All documents can be accessed via [www.wrexham.gov.uk/plans](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/plans) - search Caia Park)**
  - (i) **P/2022/0542 15 Epsom Way, Wrexham**  
**Erection of first floor side extension**

10. **Financial statement for period ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022**
11. **Accounts for payment (attached)**  
**To approve accounts for payment in July**

**PRESS & PUBLIC**

If any interested party wishes to attend the remote meeting, please email [clerk@caiapark.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@caiapark.gov.uk) and an invitation to the Zoom meeting will be sent to you in advance of the meeting. (Please note this does not infer any right to speak or take part in the meeting without prior permission)

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held remotely via Zoom on  
9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Cllr M. King (Chair) (A/V)  
Cllr Pat Williams (Vice Chair) (A/V)

\* Cllr B. Cameron  
\* Cllr S. Edwards  
\* Cllr A. K. Gregory  
Cllr L. Haggarty (A/V)  
Cllr B. Halley (A)  
Cllr C. Harper (A/V)  
Cllr C. Lloyd (A/V)

Cllr P. Owen (A/V)  
\*Cllr L. Platt  
Cllr B. Pritchard (A/V)  
Cllr D. Richardson (A/V)  
Cllr Paul Williams (A/V)  
Cllr A. Wright (A/V)

Key (A/V) = Audio and visual presence  
(A) = Audio presence

20. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. B. Cameron, S. Edwards, A.K. Gregory and L. Platt.

It was **RESOLVED:** *To authorise absences for Councillor B. Cameron for the forthcoming year for any absence whilst he undertakes Mayoral functions as Mayor of Wrexham County Borough.*

21. **CHAIR FOR MEETING**

Although Cllr King was present it was agreed that Cllr Pat Williams (Vice Chair) would chair the meeting given Cllr King was suffering from a throat infection. (Cllr Pat Williams in the chair)

22. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting and Ordinary meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

**Updates & matters arising:**

23. **GRASS CUTTING RIVER GWENFRO (PM 8)**

It was confirmed that the first cut would take place in July.

24. **CRASH BARRIER WHITGATE RD/PONT WEN.**

The Clerk reported that nothing further had been heard although it was likely to be a scheme as an environmental improvement for Pont Wen.

**25. DECLARATION OF MEMBER'S INTERESTS**

There were no interests declared.

**26. POLICE MATTERS**

Sgt Lewis had emailed her apologies for non-attendance just prior to the meeting so was not present to explain the Police crime stats as requested in May.

As there was no Police presence, the meeting moved on to the next item of business.

**27. MEMBERS REPORTS**

(i) Cllr Pat Williams: Made reference to an invitation to attend a Foodbank event to be held at St Margaret's Church Hall on 30<sup>th</sup> June from 7-8pm. It was agreed to circulate details to Members.

(ii) Cllr B. Halley

Referred to the Jubilee celebration tea parties and the respite holiday for older people at Llandudno, both of which were very much enjoyed and appreciated.

**28. CORRESPONDENCE**

**(i) Harworth Group - Pre planning application consultation for the development of land off Cefn Road, Wrexham**

Members reported that extensive publicity had taken place regarding this proposal. The Clerk advised that the Community Council, as a consultee, were invited to comment on the proposals prior to a planning application being submitted to the Local Planning Authority. He gave some background information on how the site came to be considered and included in the Draft Local Development Plan which the previous community council had objected to in 2016 as follows:

“Caia Park Community Council considered the preferred strategy at their meeting held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

The Members present unanimously supported the following resolution in respect of the strategy which I would be grateful if you could regard as their response to the consultation.

That Caia Park Community Council objects to the growth levels set out for Wrexham in the Local development Plan preferred strategy, whilst acknowledging that these housing numbers are being forced on Wrexham by Welsh Government / Planning Inspectorate.

We object to the use of flawed population projections, there is no local need for the level of housing proposed and we have serious concerns about the impact of this level of development on local roads, the hospital, doctors, schools and other general infrastructure, as well as the impact on our environment and the destruction of our green barrier.

Secondly, we object specifically to the inclusion of green fields adjacent to the Cefn Road, including Ysgol Morgan Llwyd school playing fields, and proposals for 1,300 new houses. Such a level of development would have a huge impact on congestion locally as well as destroying our open green space.”

It was agreed to respond to the consultation as follows:

- The Community Council did not support the inclusion of this land in the draft Local Development Plan and still maintain their objection to it being developed. The LDP enquiry has not reached its conclusion on housing need or proposed allocated sites and so any proposals in advance of the final report are **premature** particularly given the site has certain features such as the use of best and most versatile agricultural land, the need to consider mineral deposits and how that will be handled etc.
- The real concerns about how the strain on services will be addressed (schools and medical facilities) particularly if the whole of key strategic site 2 is developed "peacemeal" or in a minimum of three phases. Who takes the legal responsibility in ensuring a new school is provided, for example, if it is reliant on funding from the other two sites?
- The pressure this development would put on the Cefn Road (Greyhound roundabout) if allowed **before** the new road through the estate and terminating on the roundabout on the A534/A5116 is constructed.
- The medical facilities in and around the site are severely lacking. Two of the nearest surgeries at Hillcrest and Borrass are, in the opinion of Members, dysfunctional at best. A clear statement from Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board should accompany any planning application.
- A clear statement on the effect on phosphates entering the Dee should also be submitted as this is a serious issue highlighted by both the LPA and NRW.
- The loss of green spaces and the effect on the landscape

It was further agreed to inform Besti Cadwaladr University Health Board of the current consultation in case they had not been informed.

## 29. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**RESOLVED:** *There were no objections to the following applications*

- (i) **P/2022/00498 Delta Dance Academy, Queensway, Wrexham.**  
Erection of covered area
- (ii) **P2022/0504 18 Yorke Street, Wrexham**  
Removal of chimneys (in retrospect)

## 30. FINANCIAL MONITORING

The Financial Statement for period ending 31st May 2022 was submitted.

**RESOLVED:** *That the financial statements for the period be received and adopted.*

## 31. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

**RESOLVED:** *That the accounts for payment in June 2022 be paid*

D.D.	Pace Telecom	Advice Service	* 406.27	
		General Admin	* <u>268.99</u>	675.26
D.D.	O2	Advice Service	* 42.88	
		Comm Agent	* 21.44	64.32
7757	Pentre Gwyn Older People's Group (Jubilee Party)	s.137 donation		1000.00
7758	Caia Environmental Group	s.137 donation		610.00

Accounts above the line have already been paid either by direct debit or in the case of cheques, because they were deemed to be urgent or have been previously agreed)

D.D.	Wrexham CBC (Rates)	Prince Charles Rd	527.00
D.D.	Hafren Dyfrdwy	Prince Charles Road	36.31
7760	Wrexham CBC	Prince Charles Rd (Waste)	168.00
7761	Galleon Supplies	Prince Charles Road *	141.60
Agreed at meeting			
7759	Zurich Municipal Insurance	General Admin (Insurance)	2190.78
D.D.	Natwest Card (Zoom x2)	General Admin *	28.78
H.M. Revenue & Customs		Tax NI (June)	
Clwyd Pension Services		Pension contributions (June)	

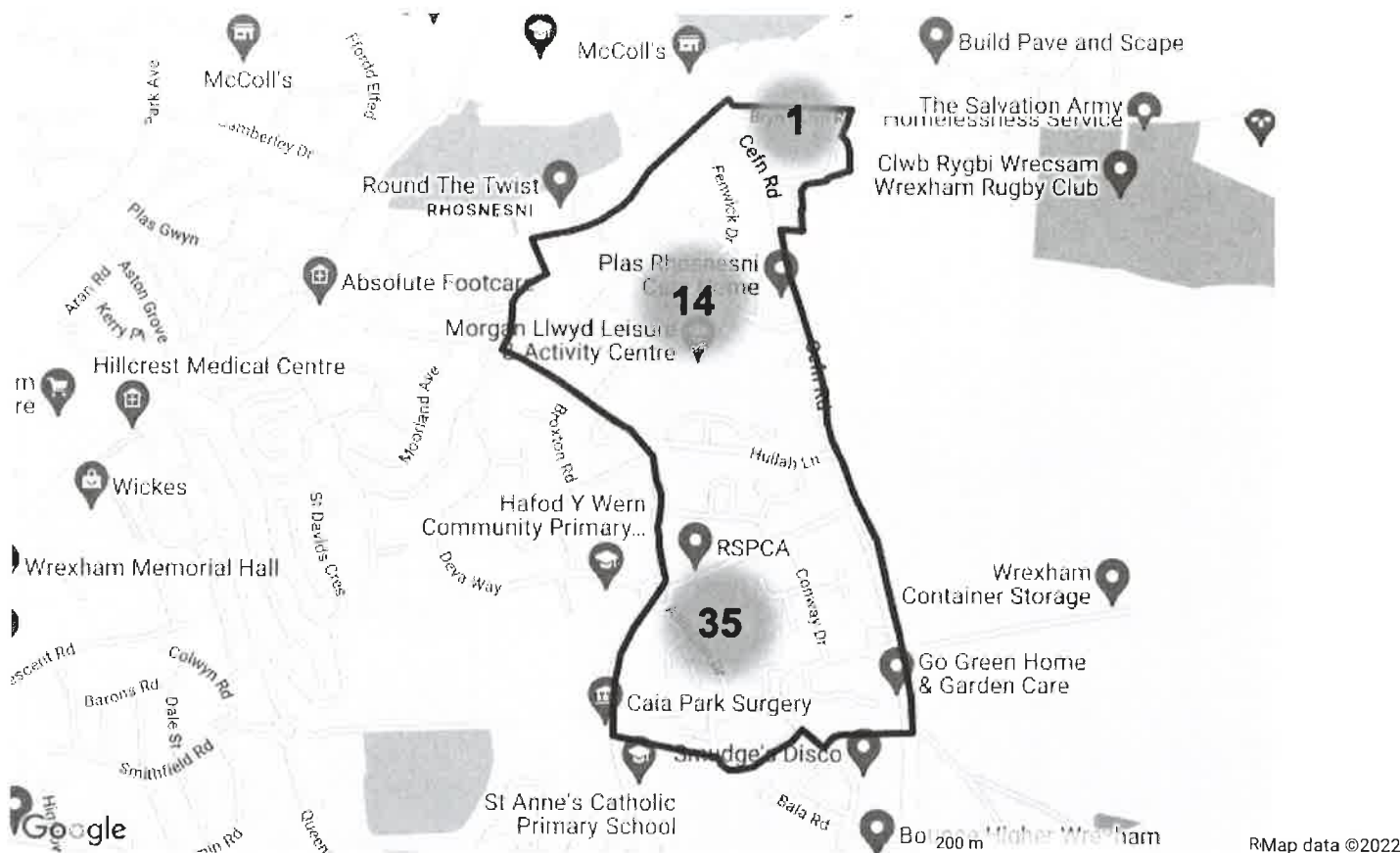
\*Figs include VAT which is reclaimable

### 32. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The Clerk presented a report which was not for publication as it contained exempt information relating to staffing matters

#### **RESOLVED:**

- (i) *That the action taken by the Chair and Vice Chair in consultation with the Clerk be endorsed and note that the part time posts of Admin Assistant and Advice Worker were in the process of being advertised.*
- (ii) *That the Council receive notification of the retirement of the Clerk with effect from September 2022 and  
A working group be established to consider the replacement of the Clerk comprising:  
Chair and Vice Chair, Cllr. P. Owen and Cllr. Paul Williams*



50 crimes were reported here in April 2022

Crime type	Instances
Violence and sexual offences	22
Anti-social behaviour	7
Criminal damage and arson	5
All other crime	16

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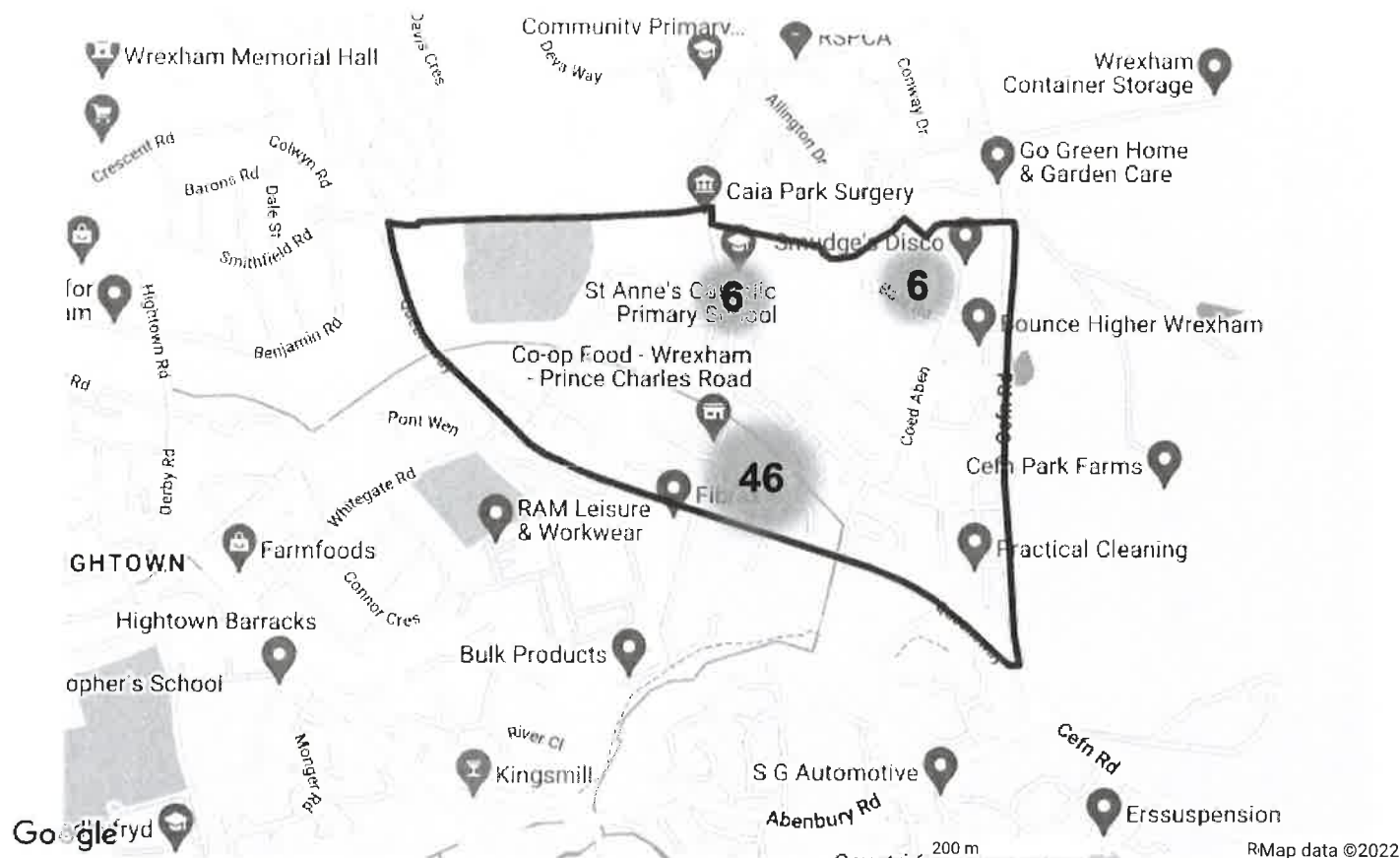
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## Search for another area



58 crimes were reported here in April 2022

Crime type	Instances
Violence and sexual offences	34
Anti-social behaviour	10
Criminal damage and arson	6
All other crime	8

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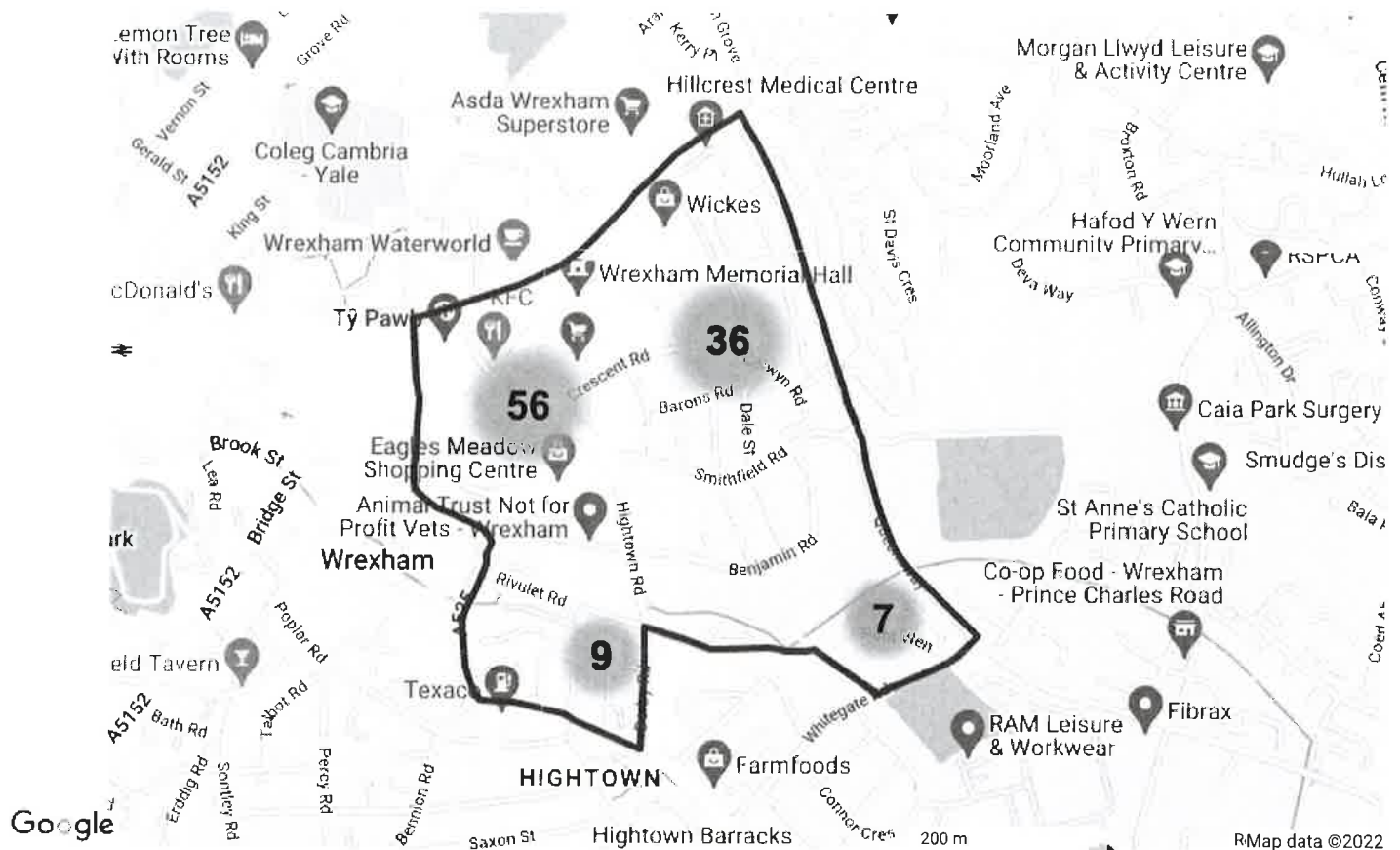
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108 crimes were reported here in April 2022

Crime type	Instances
Violence and sexual offences	34
Shoplifting	28
Anti-social behaviour	17
All other crime	29

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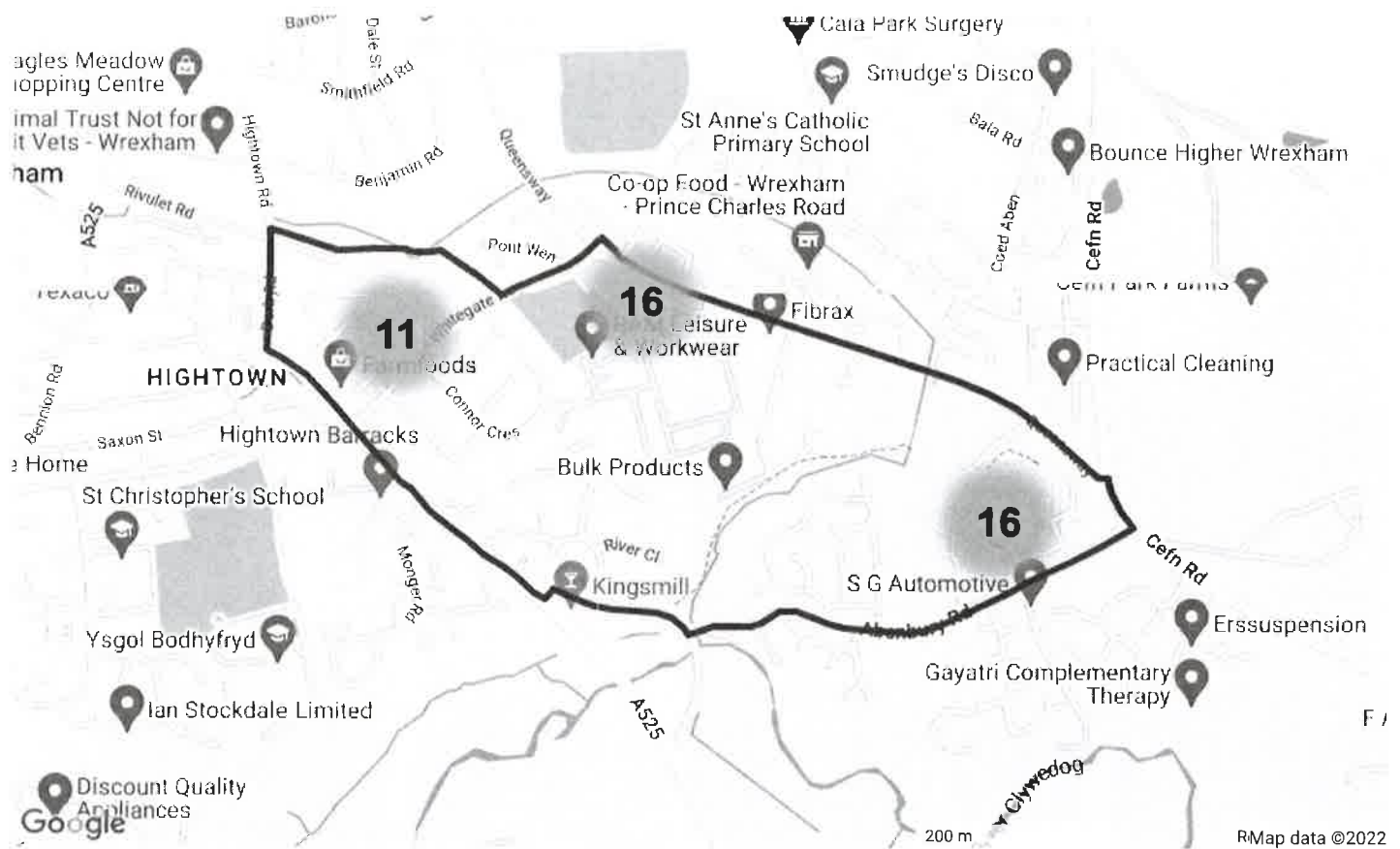
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Violence and sexual offences	21
Criminal damage and arson	8
Anti-social behaviour	6
All other crime	8

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13 June, 2022  
Mr Joss Thomas  
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[licensing@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@wrexham.gov.uk)

*Rec 14/6/22*

Dear Mr Morris

**Re: Application for Grant of a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003**  
**Gusto D'Italia, 13 South Arcade, Chester Street, Wrexham, LL13 8BE**

I write to inform you that an application has been received from the above premises asking for the following:

Sale of Alcohol	Monday - Sunday	12:00 – 24:00
Late Night Refreshment	Monday - Sunday	23:00 – 24:00
Live Music	Friday - Sunday	19:00 – 22:00
Recorded Music	Monday - Sunday	12:00 – 24:00

This disclosure is for 'information only'.

Individuals can make representations on this application provided that they are affected by the proposals.

Councillors and Community Council members can make representations on behalf of named individuals that are affected.

Councillors and Community Councils can also make representations in their own right provided that they are affected by the application. Representations must relate to the Licensing Objectives, which are:

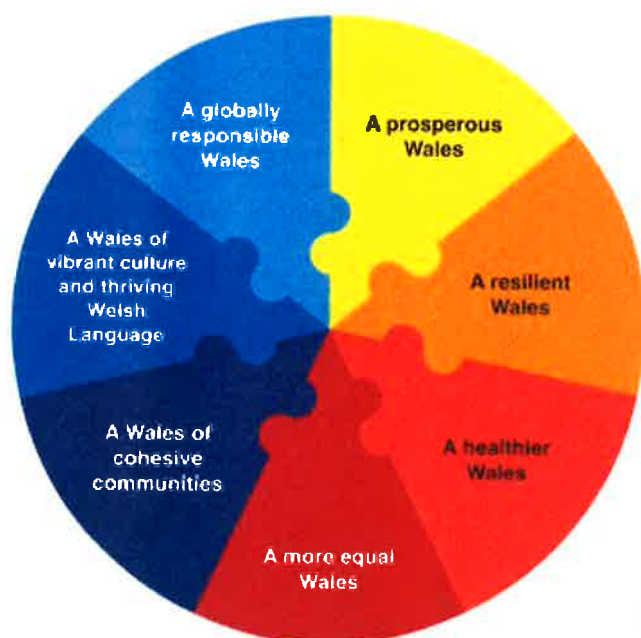
The Prevention of Crime and Disorder  
The Protection of Children from Harm  
Public Nuisance  
Public Safety

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## **Annual report on the Well-Being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015 for 2021-22**



## About this report

Wales faces a number of challenges now and in the future, such as climate change, poverty, health inequalities and jobs and growth. To tackle these, we need to work together. To give current and future generations a good quality of life we need to think about the long-term impact of the decisions we make.

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 gives a legally binding common purpose – the seven well-being goals – for national government, local government, local health boards and other specified public bodies. It details the ways in which specified public bodies must work and work together to improve the well-being of Wales.

This report describes how Caia Park Community Council has contributed to the seven well-being goals for the community.

2021-22 has been a very challenging year due to the continuing Covid 19 pandemic with no interaction between the Public Service Board or Community Council. The PSB reveals that it has not produced an annual report for the year (in accordance with statutory procedures) because of the work being done to produce the next well-being plan. The PSB has been working closely with Flintshire PSB on a recovery strategy to support community resilience and an assessment of well-being has been carried out. This assessment can be viewed on the PSB website.

Community Council services have been affected but not as significantly as in 2020-21 in the light of Covid restrictions.

## Wrexham Public Service Board (PSB) ([www.wrexhampsb.org](http://www.wrexhampsb.org))

The Community Council, because it is a larger community council with a precept in excess of £200k, is also required to ensure that it complies with and contributes to the objectives of the Local Well-Being Plan 2018-2023 as produced by the Wrexham Public Services Board. The Public Service Board (PSB) published its first annual report in June 2019 detailing progress on its determined objectives. The PSB have agreed 15 objectives but for 2018-19 focussed on 2 main objectives:

- All people have opportunities to learn and develop throughout their lives
- Children and young people are given a healthy start in life

They also agreed to focus on two or three additional objectives each year over the five- year plan period, covering all 15 by 2023. In Year 1 these were:

- People have positive mental health
- People can live healthily, happily and independently in their old age
- People are able to make healthy choices.

The challenge for the Community Council is to demonstrate how it can make a positive contribution given that these objectives are strategically determined and of more relevance to the staffed larger statutory bodies who can more effectively influence their progress. All community councils have their own local priorities which are important to their communities as well as having to manage within an agreed budget. Budgetary pressures, which are exacerbated by the cost of devolved functions previously funded by the principal authority, can create tensions and limit what a community council can be realistically expected to provide. Additionally, to date, there has been no clear communication with the community council sector from the PSB or advice on how the sector can meaningfully contribute to the objectives.



The Community Council has therefore focussed on contributing to some of the 15 objectives in the PSB plan whilst “mapping” its activities within the seven well-being goals. The other 10 objectives within the five-year plan are:

- The town is vibrant and welcoming
- There are good employment opportunities in Wrexham
- There is a range of things for people to do in their spare time
- The economy in rural areas is well supported and can thrive
- All people have access to good quality, appropriate homes throughout their lives
- People can travel easily around the county and beyond
- The Welsh language is thriving
- Tourism supports the local economy
- The county borough is a safe place to live
- Our communities are prepared for the future.

## The seven well-being goals for Wales

The well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 outlines seven well-being goals which need to be considered when drawing up local objectives. A description of each well-being goal and the issues identified within that theme is provided below. All of the issues identified in this needs analysis are cross cutting and impact on more than one of these spheres of well-being.

<b>Prosperous (1)</b>	An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.
<b>Resilient (2)</b>	A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with health functioning eco systems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change)
<b>Healthier (3)</b>	A society in which people’s physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood
<b>More equal (4)</b>	A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio-economic background and circumstances)
<b>Cohesive communities (5)</b>	Attractive, viable safe and well-connected communities
<b>Vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language (6)</b>	A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts and sports and recreation.
<b>Globally responsive (7)</b>	A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being

## Matrix showing cross-cutting themes

Some of the activities of Caia Park Community Council towards the well-being goals are cross cutting and impact on more than one of these spheres of well-being. The grids below give an interpretation of how each contribution might fit within the list of well-being goals. Activities this year have been hampered by the pandemic and as such some have not taken place.

Prosperous (1)	Resilient (2)	Healthier (3)	More equal (4)	Cohesive (5)	Culture (6)	Globally responsive (7)
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1.	The Community Advice Service						
2.	Play Provision						
3.	School crossing patrols						
4.	Maintenance and repair of public play facilities						
5.	Youth work						
6.	Climate change / biodiversity/Environment						
7.	Financial assistance						
8.	Pentre Gwyn Community Centre						
9.	Crime prevention and reduction						
10.	Community Agent						
11.	Mental Health Project (Commenced April 2021)						
12.	Competent Council						

### 1. Community Advice Service

The Community Council invests in providing a free advice service for all residents of Caia Park. This service has been reshaped because of Covid 19 and now relies on pre-booked appointments and telephone consultations rather than a drop in and wait service. Staff have been operational from the community council offices rather than working from home.

Advice offered can cover any benefit related or debt issue as well as more generalist advice on any number or range of topics. It is also authorised to issue food bank vouchers to eligible residents and complete debt relief orders.

The costs of the service are met entirely by the Community Council (approx. 38% of the total Council precept income) The Advice Workers do provide two sessions per week for a neighbouring council on a cost recovery basis. Clearly, to provide an efficient service there is a requirement for appropriate administrative and I.T. support with specially commissioned computer software packages. The service has been delivered this year by 1 full time and two part time staff. (2.19 full time equivalent)

In the reporting year 2021-22 the Advice Service still faced very unusual time due to the Covid pandemic; the Advice Service has had to change and adapt to provide advice and support to community of Caia Park as well as supporting the staff to provide the advice service.

The total number of clients contacted and taken on as a case for the last 12 months was 2444, this is an increase of 17.5% over the previous year. We also assisted 40 out of area clients which is a similar figure to the previous year.



### Clients by Ward:

Cartrefle	599
Queensway	804
Smithfield	254
Whitegate	271
Wynnstay	516
Total	2444

From the assistance offered, financial gains to clients amounted to over £987,000. The total level of debt presented to the service was £636,386 for 366 clients and the Advice Service was able to help 20 clients out of debt by writing off £162,459.

The Advice Service helped 122 clients regarding their homes where eviction was averted or homelessness prevented. This included 54 clients with outstanding rent arrears totalling over £80k.

### 2. Play Provision

In 2021-22 the Community Council made financial provision to fund play sessions located at Gwenfro Valley (Whitegate Ward) and The Venture (Wynnstay Ward) as these are both established play settings. The sessions amount to two per week at each location with some additional ones over the summer holiday period at Gwenfro Valley. The service at Gwenfro Valley is provided by Wrexham County Borough Council Play Development Team.

Both the Play Development Team and The Venture reconfigured their services to respond to the pressures of the pandemic. The cost of these two service level agreements amounts to £32,112 although the Wrexham Play Development Team costs were reduced by £8663 due to a successful external funding bid.

### 3. School crossing patrols

In 2013, Wrexham County Borough Council decided to withdraw funding for the school crossing patrols based in the community as the volume of traffic and perceived risk did not meet their criteria. Accordingly, they invited the Community Council to fund the provision. The Community Council undertook a community survey and the school crossing patrols featured most highly as a valued service and so the Council decided to fund them.

At the time, there were three manned school crossings – Holt Road (Alexandra School) Deva Way (Hafod y Wern School) and Queensway (Gwenfro School). As the Holt Road crossing also had a pedestrian controlled traffic light crossing, it was decided to relocate that member of staff to Prince Charles Road to cover St Anne's R.C. Primary school.

Given that there is a number of children of primary school age who make their journey to and from school unaccompanied, the Community Council have always felt that this service is important for health and safety reasons.

The service continued throughout the year as and when schools were allowed to open. Unfortunately, a vacancy at Gwenfro school is still unfilled. The cost of this service (without the vacancy) is £ 9700.

**4. Maintenance and Repair of public play facilities**

In 2013, Wrexham County Borough Council decided to withdraw funding for the future maintenance, inspection and repair of equipped playgrounds within the community and offered these via a service level agreement to the Community Council or the facilities would close and any equipment removed.

There are six equipped play areas:

Bala Road	Pont Wen	Prince Charles Road
Pentre Gwyn	Abenbury Fields	Rear of Benjamin Road

Two multi use games areas:

Prince Charles Road      Queensway (Whitegate)

And one skate park and chat shelter adjacent to the Queensway Sports Centre.

The inspection/maintenance costs this year was £14,264 and in addition, the Community Council has spent £10,600 on repairs to equipment and surfaces due to increased vandalism and aging equipment.

**5. Youth Work**

The Community Council traditionally funded the provision of three outreach sessions per week. The service is provided by Caia Park Partnership (CPP). This year the service was reconfigured to provide premises-based youth club provision when it would not normally take place (i.e school holidays).

- 6. The Gardening competition and Community Litter pick** were not held in year due to the Covid restrictions although the Community Council have supported volunteer litter picks by resourcing equipment and litter bags to support the Wrexham Litter Pickers Group. These are volunteers who make a massive impact in helping to keep the community litter free.

**Climate change/ biodiversity/Environment**

The Council is conscious of the need to act responsibly and to try and influence the wider community. The Community Council in 2019, formally declared a climate change emergency and endeavour to use this to influence its ways of working. The Council is not responsible (as owners) for any open space or premises within the community other than its own offices and so is confined to trying to influence others.

Member representatives take part in the Green Infrastructure Project (led by Wrexham CBC and funded via Welsh Government). As part of this, some of the ground within the curtilage of the community council offices was planted with for wildflowers in 2021 supplemented with the planting of fruit trees. The Community Council actively supported the Green Infrastructure Project and purchase some tree guards to protect newly planted trees in year.

## **7. Financial Assistance**

The Council support organisations which help people with particular needs or provide a service to Caia Park. Through the Financial Assistance Grant Scheme, the Council awarded grants to voluntary or charitable groups primarily based or working in the community. In 2021/22 such groups included:

Advance Brighter Futures	284.80
Caia Park Environment Group	200.00
Hafod y Wern C.P.	500.00
Hope House Hospice	200.00
Family Friends	100.00
Llangollen Musical Eisteddfod	100.00
Marie Curie	50.00
Mencap Cymru	50.00
Offa C.C. Xmas event	200.00
Offa C.C. RWF Memorial Garden	500.00
Nightingale House Hospice	1000.00
N. W. Police (crime prevention items)	493.10
Pentre Gwyn Older People's Group (Christmas)	1000.00
Urdd Denbighshire Eisteddfod 2022	50.00
Wales Air Ambulance	200.00
Wrexham Allotment Gardeners	100.00

The grant given to Pentre Gwyn Older People's Group was to support a community event to mitigate the social isolation as a result of Covid 19. The event was also financially supported by Wrexham County Borough Council.

## **8. Pentre Gwyn Community Centre**

The Community Council continues to support the Trustees of the Pentre Gwyn, Tan y Coed and Coed y Bryn Residents Association who now manage their landholding and have a long lease from Wrexham County Borough Council on the community centre building.

The Trustees are now in a position where the centre is largely self-sufficient. They have attracted support from businesses to enhance the fabric of the building and took advantage of the Covid Grants on offer and have a small, dedicated volunteer base to undertake day to day functions.

## **9. Crime prevention and reduction**

With two of the five community wards being recognised within the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (WIMD) statistics as areas of high deprivation the Council is mindful of the challenges that face the community and the need to support and work with the local Police.

There is a dedicated monthly agenda item to consider crime statistics and discuss with members and representatives of the Police any issues or trends. Coupled with this, the Council have and will continue to financially support initiatives subject to finance being available.

The Queensway Ward was fortunate in being identified for Home Office funding under the Safer Streets initiative in 2020. A sum of £500,000 was awarded for administration by the N. Wales Police and Wrexham County Borough Council with some projects being delivered

locally by organisations within the community. Comprehensive enhanced CCTV provision, selected demolition and alley gating have taken place.

The Community Council have funded an interactive speed sign to be located on Hightown Road which is now in place.

**10. Community Agent Scheme**

The Community Council employ a part-time Community Agent (16 hrs per week) funded by Wrexham County Borough Council via a grant they receive from Welsh Government. The role of the agent is to primarily work with the over 50 age range and identify, often by referral from other agencies such as GP practices and adult social care, those in the community who may need support or are particularly vulnerable. They are responsible for signposting residents who are seeking help to the relevant agency. They also get involved with voluntary groups such as luncheon clubs to try and minimise social isolation. This year, the method of working has continued to rely on remote working and telephone interaction with the client base.

**11. Mental Health Project Worker**

This year, the Mental Health Project based at Caia Park Partnership commenced in April 2021. This is funded by the Community Council in partnership with Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board and Caia Park Partnership (Local Conversation Programme funded). The service is delivered by MIND.

**12. Well-being:**

The Community Council funded a publicly accessible defibrillator and jointly funded a second one in partnership with Abenbury Community Council. These are located at the Housing estate Office at Churchill Drive and Pentre Gwyn Community Centre. During the year, the County Borough Council with grant funding, installed a footpath linking Kings Mill with Hightown Road to promote active travel and this has since been supplemented with lighting.

**12. Competent Council**

Finally, these are challenging times for community councils. The Council faces many new challenges and opportunities, and it is important to be ready to be fit for the future. A number of competency tests and reporting requirements are emerging.

In May 2022 the Council elections were held with some boundary changes affecting Whitegate, Smithfield and Wynnstay Wards as well as returning an extra community councillor (now 15)

As at 2021-22 (pre-election) the position was:

- All councillors (14) have been declared elected with no co-options. 9 of the councillors were elected following a ballot and 4 were elected unopposed.
- The current Clerk has appropriate professional qualifications (although not CILCA) and is a County Councillor.
- The Council's budget is in excess of £200k

The Council has received an unqualified (no matters to raise) external audit report again in 2020/21 and this has been consistent since 2001. Agendas, minutes, accounts, and contact details can be found at [www.caiapark.gov.uk](http://www.caiapark.gov.uk). The community can email the Clerk at [clerk@caiapark.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@caiapark.gov.uk)

**Rate Estimates BUDGET 2021/2022****INCOME**

Precept	230,040
Interest on Investments	30
Rent & letting fees: Prince Charles Rd	1,000
Sundry Income	15
Community Advice Service	6,429
Community Agent	10,833
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>248,347</b>

**EXPENDITURE**

s.137 Donations	5,000
General Administration	36,637
Community Advice service	95,167
Prince Charles Road	16,158
Amenities & Environment	4,000
<b>Children's Services:</b>	
Play areas	14,441
Repairs play areas	1,030
School crossing	13,918
CPP outreach SLA	8,240
Wrexham Play Development Team	16,430
Venture SLA	16,140
Footway Lighting	0
Traffic Calming	0
External Grants Comm Agent	10,833
Mental Health Project	8,226
Misc.	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>246,190</b>
<b>SURPLUS</b>	<b>2,157</b>
	<b>248,347</b>

Based on Tax Base 2021/2022: 3834

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## **Appendix 3**

### **Some of our partners and associated groups**

- Caia Park Partnership Ltd
- Deva House Day Centre
- The Venture
- Wrexham Play Development Team
- Wrexham County Borough Council
- Wrexham Mission Area / St Marks Church
- Local businesses including Tesco, Mecca, Sainsbury, Wrexham Motoring Supplies, Caia Barbers Shop, Co-op, Happy Hedgehog Café.
- Gwenfro, Hafod y Wern and St Anne's Primary schools
- Keep Wales Tidy
- Wrexham Litter pickers
- Pentre Gwyn Community Centre (Trustees)
- Caia Park Environmental Group
- William & John Jones Trust
- Pentre Gwyn Pensioners Club
- Nightingale House
- Urdd Eisteddfod
- North Wales Police & PCSO's

***Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1 - Section 6***

***The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty  
Report 2022***

**CAIA PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL:**

**Introduction and Context**

Caia Park Community Council serves approximately 12,602 residents and 5,402 households. It is one of four Wrexham town centre Community Councils. It operates from its own offices in Prince Charles Road from which it funds and runs a successful benefits and debt advice centre. The Council has no other landholdings or property. The Council employs 6 part time and one full time staff members.

The precept requirement for 2021/2022 was £ 230,040 and as such falls within the requirement to report annually on its contribution to the Public Service Board Wellbeing and Future Generations Act Plan.

The Community Council area comprises of five electoral wards (two of which are recognised as areas of high multiple deprivation) It has a high level of social housing and includes a significant amount of retail premises in the Town Centre.

The following are located within the Community Council boundary:

- There are six equipped play areas, 2 multi use games areas and a skate park. These are owned by Wrexham County Borough Council, but their maintenance and repair are funded by the Community Council via a service level agreement.
- The areas of open space in the community (primarily The Dunks) including football pitches are owned and managed by Wrexham County Borough Council. Some is protected in perpetuity under the Owain Glyndwr scheme.
- There are three primary schools, one Welsh medium secondary school and two nursery facilities
- The river Gwenfro runs through three of the five electoral wards
- There are two community venues available to the community. St Peter's Hall which is owned and run by The Church in Wales and Pentre Gwyn Community Centre which has an attached playing field and allotment site. This is owned and managed by a trust with its trustees drawn from within the Caia Park Community.
- There are two adventure playgrounds. Gwenfro Valley which is currently run by Wrexham Play Development Team assisted by a voluntary committee and the other based at The Venture. Both are financially supported by the Community Council
- Various other supportive agencies are located within the community e.g. Caia Park Partnership, Deva House Day Centre for Older People and a medical centre housing a G.P practice, district nurses and dental facilities.



**Action Report**

- How the Council assists biodiversity (through functions with regard to land management, grant funding, education activities)

Action carried out to:		Monitored by:
-embed biodiversity into decision making & procurement	<p>In 2019, along with a number of other community councils in Wales, Caia Park Community Council formally declared a climate change emergency.</p> <p>Converted the internal and external lighting in the Community Council Office to led lamps</p>	<p>Evidence within reports of the Council considering biodiversity as part of its decision-making process.</p> <p>Included the capital costs within the annual budget and maintaining an Environment/Amenity Reserve financial allocation.</p> <p>Amount of money spent on projects</p>
-raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance	<p>The Community Council has participated in and encouraged community clean ups. Each ward had designated days for rubbish collection with skips procured by the local Housing Estate Office. Funding offered by Community Council for further initiatives.</p> <p>Members individually involved with the promotion of Keep Wales Tidy litter hub based at Caia Park Partnership.</p> <p>Support offered to community litter pickers via the purchase of refuse sacks for distribution.</p> <p>There is the opportunity to promote environmental awareness with young people via the Community Council funded play sessions (activities, projects etc)</p>	<p>The amount of rubbish collected.</p> <p>Ongoing events within some Wards supported by Keep Wales Tidy.</p> <p>Lobbying the Principal Authority to provide an effective litter picking service.</p> <p>Assess level of resident's participation in litter picks.</p> <p>Monitored via the biannual reports provided by the service level providers.</p>

<p>-safeguard principal species and habitats</p>	<p>Community Council involvement along with other partner organisations with the Green Infrastructure (GI) Initiative</p> <p>Supporting the Principal Authority's Arboricultural Officer by responding positively to applications for Tree Preservation Orders</p> <p>Be mindful of environmental and biodiversity impacts when considering planning applications</p> <p>Community Council funded tree guards for some trees located in vulnerable positions.</p> <p>Regular dialogue with Principal Authority over the maintenance of the riverbanks along the river Gwenfro to balance the environmental and ecological needs as well as ensuring the health and safety of residents is considered if the areas become too overgrown.</p>	<p>Regular dialogue with Wrexham County Borough Council's ecology/biodiversity officer. Attendance and membership on the GI steering group</p> <p>Involvement with local initiatives (tree planting etc)</p> <p>Comments made on applications.</p> <p>Comments made on applications.</p> <p>Monitor progress and condition</p> <p>Meetings taking place to agree a suitable service level agreement and frequency of maintenance.</p>
<p>-restore &amp; create habitats and resilient ecological networks</p>	<p>Part of the surrounding curtilage of the Council Offices have been planted with native species trees and wildflowers</p>	<p>Project carried out as part of the Green Infrastructure (GI) Initiative.</p> <p>Maintenance ongoing</p>

<p>-tackle negative factors: for e.g. reduce pollution, use nature based solutions, address invasive species</p>	<p>Lobbied the Principal Authority to significantly reduce the use of Glyphosate weed killer particularly in open/public areas and seek alternative solutions to weed control.</p>	<p>Ongoing dialogue with Principal Authority Use of Glyphosate has been reduced Alternative methods are being trialled</p>
<p>-use improve and share evidence</p>	<p>Regular dialogue between County Councillors and Principal Authority regarding the condition of the river Gwenfro (pollution, debris flood risk etc)</p>	<p>Timely intervention by Principal Authority.</p>
<p>Support capacity and/or other organisations</p>	<p>The Community Council funds an annual gardening competition which is organised by a local environmental group. This culminates in an awards evening recognising and rewarding successful entrants.</p> <p>Financial and administrative support for the Trustees of Pentre Gwyn Community Centre</p> <p>Provide funding for play provision within the community at Gwenfro Valley and The Venture and funding for youth provision delivered via Caia Park Partnership</p> <p>Include an annual grants budget within the Council's overall budget which community groups can apply for.</p>	<p>Level of entries received Attendance at awards evening CD of event prepared by Caia Park Environmental Group</p> <p>Ongoing dialogue and monitoring reports received from Trustees. Attendance at Trustees Meetings by a member of the Council</p> <p>Regular monitoring reports received. Collaboration at other community events</p> <p>Number of grant applications received and awarded. Amount of community activity/events it supports</p>

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## **Review of s6 duty**

- **What has worked well?**

The rubbish collection days are successful in improving the quality of the environment and are appreciated by residents.

The Green Infrastructure Project has largely completed its work and has made a significant difference within the community on issues of biodiversity and ecology.

The gardening competition (now in its 21<sup>st</sup> year) continues to promote community pride as well as raising awareness. This has resumed for 2022 following COVID

- **What have the barriers been?**

The Community Council does not own any land and can only lobby, recommend and encourage other landowners to embrace biodiversity.

Competing budgetary demands can restrict new initiatives and have cost implications.

Effective dissemination and distribution of information to residents within the community is a challenge and can be costly. Not all embrace social media and so inclusivity can be challenging.

The Covid restrictions of the past two years have severely limited activities.

## **What will you change?**

Increase liaison with Wexham CBC's Biodiversity Officer and seek advice whenever necessary.

Encourage and support community groups and residents more to fully participate in events and projects to raise awareness.

## **How and when will the s6 duty be monitored and the s6 plan reviewed?**

- The Duty will be monitored by Members and the Clerk with periodic agenda items at Council meetings
- The plan will be developed and reviewed in response to new initiatives, evidence and information that may become available to the Council.

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**ESTYNIAD LLAWR CYNTAF I OCHR YR EIDDO / FIRST FLOOR SIDE  
EXTENSION  
15 EPSOM WAY WREXHAM**

I have received a householder planning application for development in your Community. The submitted details are available to view on our website at:  
[www.wrexham.gov.uk/plans](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/plans)

I would be pleased to receive any comments that your Council may wish to make. The case officer Sarah Hill (telephone number 01978 298776) would be pleased to try and provide further information should you require it. Please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Any comments must be received within 21 days of the date of this letter unless you have agreed an extension of time. Initial comments are also helpful if an extension of time is required.

Yours faithfully,

Ian Jones  
Prif Swyddog Cynllunio a Rheoleiddio Dros Dro  
Interim Chief Officer Planning & Regulatory

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EXISTING SIDE ELEVATION



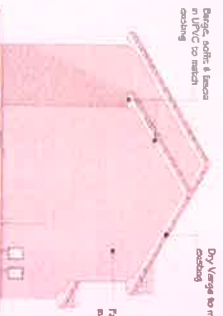
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PROPOSED FRONT ELEVATION



PROPOSED SIDE ELEVATION



PROPOSED REAR ELEVATION

CLIENT:- MR. RAJESH CHAKRA		DRAWINGS:-	
PROJECT:- PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR EXTENSION AT 10, BROWN WAY, WRECCHAM, LL13 9EZ		DATE:- JUNE 2022	
DRAWINGS:- EXISTING & PROPOSED PLANS & ELEVATIONS.		SCALE:- 1:500 (A1) 1:100 (A4)	

ELEVATIONS SCALE 1:100 AT A1  
FLOOR PLANS SCALE 1:50 AT A1



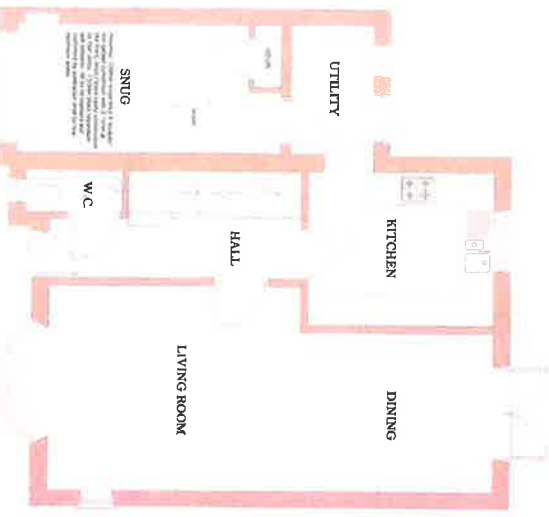
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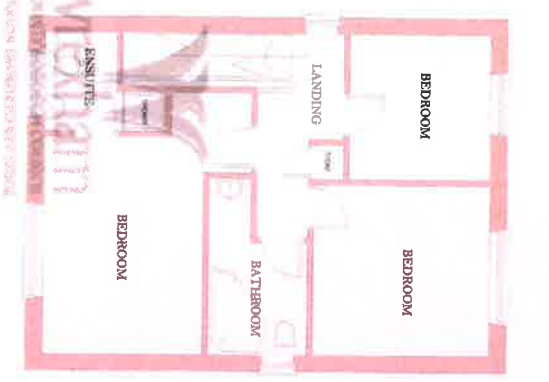
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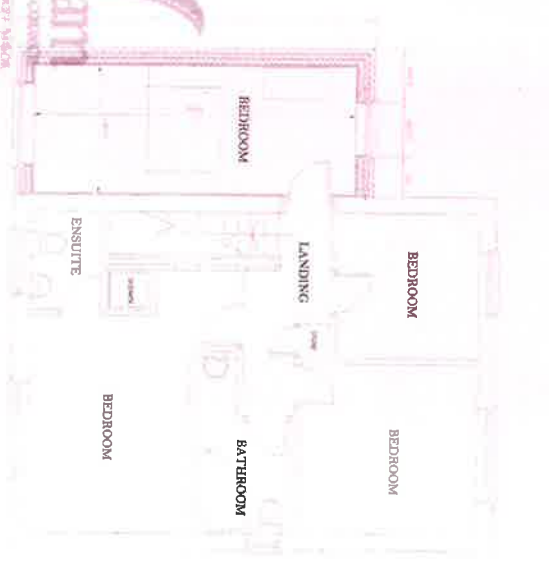
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EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN



PROPOSED GROUND FLOOR PLAN



PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR PLAN

**CAIA PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Financial Statement for the Period Ended 30-June-2022**

Estimate to 31-Mar-22	Actual to 31-Mar-22		Estimate to 31-Mar-23	Actual to 31-May-22
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**INCOME**

230,040	230,040	Precept	238,980	79,660
30	26	Interest on Investments	50	61
15	66	Sundry Income	15	11
6,429	6,429	Advice Service	6,429	1,607
10,833	10,146	Ext grant Community Agent	9,400	12,000
0	2,000	Play grant via WCBC	0	
1,000	1,000	Prince Charles Road	1,000	250
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248,347	249,707	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	255,874	93,589
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**EXPENDITURE**

5,000	5,028	s.137 Donations	5,000	610
		s.137 older people	1,364	1,000
36,637	36,518	General Administration	37,075	10,398
95,167	93,271	Community Advice Service	97,465	21,131
16,158	15,471	Prince Charles Road	17,180	3,790
4,000	4,850	Amenities & Environment	4,000	799

**Children's services:**

**SLAs**

8,240	8,240	CPP	8,490	0
16,430	7,767	WCBC Play Team	16,333	0
16,140	16,140	The Venture	16,630	0
13,918	7,275	School crossings	15,000	0
14,411	14,264	Playgrounds	14,700	0
1,030	10,655	Playground repairs	3,500	0
-	-	Footway Lighting	-	0
-	-	Misc	-	0
10,833	9,570	Community Agent	10,500	1,990
	-	Elections	-	0
8,226	8,226	Mental health project	8,637	0

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246,190	237,275	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	255,874	39,718
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2021/22			2022/23	
Estimate to 31-Mar-22	Actual to 31-Mar-22		Estimate to 31-Mar-23	Actual to 30-Jun-22
291,128	291,128	Balance at 1 April 2022	303,135	303,135
248,347	249,707	Total Income	255,874	93,589
<u>539,475</u>	<u>540,835</u>		<u>559,009</u>	<u>396,724</u>
241,953	215,916	Total Expenditure	255,874	39,718
<u>264,677</u>	<u>285,513</u>	Balance at 31 March 2023	<u>303,135</u>	<u>357,006</u>

* Actual balance in bank 31/03/22		£300290.74 (includes capital receipt)
Less total creditors& payment in adv at 31/03/22		<u>£ 2,425.00</u>
		£296,865.74
Plus total debtors at 31/03/22		<u>£ 3,269.27</u>
		£303,135.01



## Accounts for payment July 2022

D.D.	Pace Telecom	Advice Service	* 410.24	
		General Admin	* <u>269.00</u>	679.24
D.D.	O2	Advice Service	* 42.88	
		Comm Agent	* <u>21.44</u>	64.32
7762	Inst Money Advisers	Advice Service	*	130.00
D.D.	SSE (Elect)	Prince Charles Road	*	196.84
D.D.	SSE (Gas)	Prince Charles Road	*	322.52
D.D.	O2	Advice Service	* 42.88	
		Community Agent	* <u>21.44</u>	64.32

Accounts above the line have already been paid either by direct debit or in the case of cheques, because they were deemed to be urgent or have been previously agreed)

D.D.	Wrexham CBC (Rates)	Prince Charles Rd		527.00
D.D.	NATWEST Card (Indeed Jobs)	General Admin		15.05
	Wrexham CBC	Children's services	*	8724.00 (SLA play areas)
	Wrexham CBC	Children's services	*	1214.70 (Damage play areas)
	Graphic Office Systems	General Admin	* 24.87	
		Advice Service	* <u>24.88</u>	49.75
	J. Hinds	Prince Charles Road		260.00
	Caia Park Partnership	Childrens services (YouthProv.)		4245.00 (Qtr 1 & 2)
	Caia Park Partnership	Mental Health Proj.		4113.00 (Qtr 1 & 2)
D.D.	Hafren Dyfrdwy	Prince Charles Road		36.31
	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax NI (July)		
	Clwyd Pension Services	Pension contributions (July)		

(Any accounts received following the dispatch of the agenda will be reported at the meeting)

\*Figs include VAT which is reclaimable