

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Caia Park Community Council held remotely via Zoom on
13th October 2022

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

Cllr B. Cameron (A/V)	*Cllr P. Owen
* Cllr S. Edwards	*Cllr L. Platt
Cllr A. K. Gregory (A/V)	*Cllr B. Pritchard
Cllr L. Haggarty (A/V)	Cllr D. Richardson (A/V)
Cllr B. Halley (A/V)	Cllr Paul Williams (A/V)
* Cllr C. Harper	*Cllr A. Wright
* Cllr C. Lloyd	

*Absent

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

- 69. APOLOGIES**
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. C. Harper, B. Pritchard, A. Wright, C. Lloyd, L. Platt and P. Owen.
- 70. *RESOLVED:* That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 8th September 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record.**
Updates & matters arising:
- 71. HILLCREST SURGERY (PM 39 vi, 53)**
The Chairman reported that a meeting had not yet been arranged with the Practice Manager at Hillcrest Surgery, but he would aim to do this before the next meeting.
- 72. WOODED AREA ON THE DUNKS (PM 56 i)**
WCBC planned to remove the fencing adjacent to The Venture now that the trees have matured.
- 73. INSTALLATION OF DEFIBRILLATORS (PM 59)**
The Chairman had signed the Tenancy at Will agreement on behalf of the Community Council, and it had been sent to McColl's for signature. A quote had been received from McColl's for cost of the electrical installation.
RESOLVED:
(i) That the quote for electrical installation of the defibrillator at McColl's is accepted
(ii) That the Clerk orders 2 defibrillators once the Tenancy at Will agreement has been signed by McColl's
(iii) That the Clerk would obtain more information regarding the access codes used for defibrillators.

74. REPLACEMENT GOAL POSTS (PM 41, 61)

The Clerk advised that the goal posts for St David's/St Giles Way had been ordered.

75. COST OF LIVING CRISIS (PM 62)

The chairman reported that he had met with the Advice Service staff and discussed how to best use resources with the new arrangements, and that he was about to meet with the Caia Park Partnership to discuss several suggestions regarding future service delivery.

76. DECLARATION OF MEMBER'S INTERESTS

The following interest was declared:

Cllr. B. Cameron – Agenda item 9 – A request from PentreGwyn, Tan-y-Coed, Coed y Bryn Community Association for a contribution of £500 towards the purchase and installation of CCTV. Personal & prejudicial – attends Residents Association meetings in advisory capacity.

77. POLICE MATTERS

There were no Police representatives present at the meeting. An email had been received from the Police setting out the case for not attending every meeting due to operational demands.

Other issues raised:

(i) The increased use of motorbikes in the area and the number of near misses with pedestrians.

(ii) Drinking/drug taking at various times of the day at the Crescent Road/Colwyn Road steps area creating an intimidating atmosphere for walkers.

RESOLVED:

(i) That the Chairman would speak to the Inspector to ask how often he could attend meetings and if he could attend once a quarter.

(ii) That the situation at the Crescent Road/Colwyn Road steps is monitored and information is sent to the police.

78. MEMBERS REPORTS

(i) Cllr B Cameron: Reported that he had written to WCBC to ask for the goal posts at the Whitegate pitch to be painted and this was going to be done.

(ii) Cllr B Halley: Referred to the improvement along the riverbank through the Queensway Ward and asked if it was planned to remove more fencing near the fruit trees.

RESOLVED: *To contact Wrexham CBC and ask if more fencing is to be removed.*

79. CORRESPONDENCE

(i) **Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report – February 2023 - Noted**

(ii) Received after agenda had been published:

Wrexham County Borough Council - Planning Application P/2022/0819 8 Wavell Avenue, Wrexham – Change of use of land to garden

RESOLVED: There were no objections to the application

(iii) **Wrexham CBC – Application for the grant of premises licence at The Square Bar, Ty Pawb Wrexham – Noted**

80. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk advised that the seats had been removed from Charles Street at the request of the Town Centre Management Team. Following initial enquiries, WCBC had informed the Clerk that it would ask an officer to contact the Community Council with more information. No information had yet been forthcoming.

RESOLVED: *To write to Wrexham CBC to enquire why they were removed, who had asked for the removal, are they going to be replaced and why the Community Council had not been advised as the area falls within the community of Caia Park. In addition, to ask which part of the seats had been vandalized and if there was photographic evidence.*

81. FLAG POLES AT THE COUNCIL OFFICE SITE

The installation of flag poles at the council offices was discussed. Considering recent national events, it was put forward that the Council should recognise, acknowledge and respect major events on behalf of the community by flying the appropriate flags.

RESOLVED: *That the Clerk obtains the costs for 3 free-standing flag poles, including installation and flags.*

82. REQUEST FROM THE PTC COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FOR A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CCTV

The Association had requested a contribution of £500 towards CCTV and installation following a few incidents of attempted break-ins. Use of the building includes Youth Club provision.

RESOLVED: *That the Council contribute £500 to the PTC Community Association towards the purchase and installation of CCTV.*

83. REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The following application was considered:

- (i) Amour Morris Dancers (deferred from September pending additional information)

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: Amour Morris Dancers - £500.*

84. FINANCIAL MONITORING

The Financial Statements for period ending 30th September 2022 were submitted.

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

85. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: That the accounts for payment in October be paid:

Accounts for payment Oct 2022

D.D.	Pace Telecom	Advice Service	* 417.65	
		General Admin	* <u>268.99</u>	686.64
D.D.	O2	Advice Service	* 42.88	

		Comm Agent	* <u>21.44</u>	64.32
D.D.	SSE (Elect)	Prince Charles Rd.	*	224.82
D.D.	SSE (Gas)	Prince Charles Rd	*	151.66
7785	Wrexham Sounds	S137 Donation		100.00
7786	Wings & Things	S137 Donation		995.00
7793	J. Carter expenses/sal adj	Advice Service		8.34
7794	K. Davies	Expenses		47.65
D.D.	Natwest Card (Indeed)	General Admin	*	40.63
D.D.	Natwest Card (Zoom)	General Admin	*	14.39
D.D.	PHS	General Admin	*	72.00
D.D.	PHS	General Admin	*	268.49

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
	Vision ICT	General Admin	*	42.00
D.D.	Hafren Dyfrdwy	Prince Charles Road		36.31
	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax NI (Oct)		
	Clwyd Pension Services	Pension contributions (Oct)		

(Any accounts received after the publication of agenda will be reported at the meeting)

*Figs include VAT which is reclaimable

86. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

An item relating to a contract with an outside organisation was discussed and the Chairman updated members regarding a recent meeting which had taken place with the organisation.

RESOLVED: *That the previously agreed actions are endorsed except in relation to the funding for the first six months of the year as a service had been provided.*