

Minutes **TREMEIRCHION, CWM AND WAEN Community Council**
MEETING held 7.00 PM ON WEDNESDAY 15th November, 2023

Held at Salusbury Arms Tremeirchion.

Option to attend via Microsoft Teams was available if required you will normally need to email clerk for link at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

- i) Open forum. Mr J Roberts, Lengthsman, attended to discuss and sign his new revised contract. Everyone thanked John for his hard work and responsiveness especially when urgent repairs arose.
Agreed to sign new contract a pay rise on the hourly rate had been proposed to start 01/04/2024 to reflect a cost-of-living rise etc as agreed last month.
Vote of thanks given by the Chair Cllr D Williams. (Please note agenda point 4.i) below).
- ii) Meetings and minutes.
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| i) | Apologies. | Cllr's C Evans; C Marston; A Morris; D Jones; J Christian; C Mearns; A Jones. |
| ii) | In attendance. | Cllrs D Williams (Vice-Chair who chaired meeting); D Davies; K Potts; A Edwards; Dr M Lloyd Williams; J Baldwin-Evans; Dr P day; Clerk Mrs Sue Fordham. |
| iii) | Declarations of interest outside of the annual declaration form. | Cllr D Williams on item about planning in correspondence. Several councillors had declared at previous meeting an interest in the Salusbury arms so the Clerk handed round the declaration of interests form for updating. Completed by all present. |
| iv) | Previous minutes approval and accuracy. | Agreed by everyone present as an accurate set of minutes. |
| v) | Matters arising not covered by this agenda. | Re letter to Welsh water – ACTION: Clerk chase response if none forthcoming and to ask for Regional Director to attend instead of or as well as the Engineer. Also request the map previously shared and an updated copy. |
| vi) | Correspondence.
Keep Britain Tidy Orchard grant.

Email about flooding from member of the public.
Email from member of the public about the Caravan and Motorhome club planning notice at Tyn yr Ardd. | Cllr A Edwards updated group on progress and acceptance of grant – some details yet to be ironed out. Thanks for his quick and hard work on this was given by all to Cllr A Edwards. ACTION: Clerk to mention to Lengthsman about some potential work on this in new year plus Cllr A Edwards to consider group applying for a grant to help with additional cost.

Concerns have been noted and will be added to a letter to be written to DCC re upkeep of drains etc. ACTION: Clerk to write letter.

Pass on concerns spoken about to relevant bodies. ACTION Clerk to contact planning at DCC and the Caravan and Motorhome club. |

vii) Urgent matters: Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B (4) of LGA 1972. None.

4. Briefing papers circulated in advance to all councillors.

- i) Lengthsmans new contract.
- ii) Review statement of internal control.
- iii) Confirmation of the Nationally agreed 2023 pay increase for Clerks.

Signed and shared with Lengthsman in Open Forum part, copy to be kept by Clerk. **Agreed. Proposed Cllr Dr M Lloyd Williams. Seconded Cllr D Davies. Agreed for implementation with back pay spread across four months to save paying NI. Proposed Cllr D Davies. Seconded Cllr Dr P Day. ACTION:** Clerk to advise payroll people and to check position re spinal points and feedback to council.

5. Planning: For decisions

None received for this months meeting consideration.

6. Finance:

- i) Current and reserve balances.
- ii) Finance reports and accounts.

For information. Total bank balance is c£19,199.00

Update given. As of 06/11/2023 the last quarterly accounting is now correct and reconciled and counter signed by Cllr D Davies. This was reflective on personnel handovers, late/not presented 22/23, reissued, cancelled, reissued, bounced cheques, amended errors, and reviewing statements. Going forward, list all cheque numbers, with status commentary, cheque errors, progress spreadsheet. Also push for earlier release of grants and councillor payments, and their presentation to bank by councillors and grant recipients.

iii) Payments

For approval.

- i) Clerks' salary for Oct inc 5 extra hrs in Sept. £678.13
- ii) Clerks salary for Nov inc increased hrs. £683.54
- iii) HMRC Income tax Clerk Oct. £122.40
- iv) HMRC Income tax Clerk Nov £123.80
- v) SLCC/OVW joint conference fee reimbursement to Clerk £72.00
- vi) Harold Smith payroll, Quarter to end of Sept. £42.00
- vii) Lengthsman. £85.00
- viii) R.B.L. poppy wreaths. £69.00

All approved. Proposed Cllr K Potts. Seconded Cllr J Baldwin-Evans.

7. Llannerch Bridge: No update available at this time.
8. School playing field. ACTION: Clerk to update wording of advert as agreed at meeting and circulate. All to use any channels possible to spread advert.
9. Heol y Brenin trees. ACTION: Clerk to check with Cllr C Evans result of his enquiries re the land.
10. D-Day 80th anniversary June 2024. ACTION: Clerk to finalise details of the smaller red lanterns and initiate purchase of 4 – one for each community each community to be given opportunity to decide where they should be placed. E.G. School, Public house, Church, Phone Box.
11. Community Council Newsletter. Final layout agreed. 1,000 copies to be printed plus leaflet holders to be purchased to enable a better display of the spares in places like the public houses. ACTION: Cllr D Williams to ensure, if possible, distribution takes place prior to Christmas. Draft budget agreed of £200. Proposed Cllr A. Edwards. Seconded Cllr Dr M Lloyd Williams.
12. County Councillors Report: Attached as appendix 1.
13. Community Council issues. For information.
Cllr K Potts. All issues recently raised such as the speed limit sign and the drain issues are underway with actions.
Cllr J Baldwin-Evans. Concerns raised about a road breaking up due to higher use since the bridge went. She will raise it with the correct authorities.
Cllr Dr P Day. Questions about the copper beech trees and possible preservation order. ACTION: Clerk to check with Cllr C Evans. Concerns about a tree near his home that the agreed action has not yet been taken. Shared information about work done recently on some Waen ditches to ease flooding. Also concerns about some flooding in the Waen. ACTION: Cllr Dr P Day to send the “what 3 words” information so clerk can add precise location into the letter about flooding concerns in Area. Plus add flooding concerns to January agenda.
Cllr Dr M Lloyd Williams. Drains on Waen road and related problems. Would like the 20mph to be extended as some roads in the Waen are being driven too fast. ACTION Cllr Dr M Lloyd Williams to send the “what 3 words” information again so it can be added to the letter.

14. Next meeting venue

Waen Parish hall, January 17th 7pm.

(Mrs) Sue Fordham Clerk to the Council.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS



- Leanne, who is a UK Resettlement Project Coordinator with the Council, and her colleagues are arranging a **Christmas Fair**. It will take place on **Saturday, 9 December** at the Hafan Deg Day Centre, Rhyl. They are after donations of:
 - Winter coats for all ages (children and adults) in good condition;
 - School uniform – in good condition - for any of our schools in Denbighshire
 - Toys – any toys for any age but need to be in good condition
- You can also book a stall at the event. Each stall/table will be £10. For more information about the above and also if you would like to book a stall/table, please get in touch with either [Leanne](#) or [Laura](#). All the monies raised will be split between Hafan Deg Day Centre and underprivileged resettled families supported by the resettlement team
- The Fostering Team are organising a **Christmas Jumper Day** to raise money for Christmas food parcels for our families in need. It will be held on **Thursday, 7 December** at Russell House, Rhyl. They are also collecting food donations for the parcels, which can be donated at the Fostering Room on Floor 2. They are asking for donations of Christmas store cupboard staples such as: Christmas chocolates; cake baking kits; biscuit boxes, crackers; selection boxes; cookies; tea, coffee and hot chocolate; stuffing mix; crisps; along with the usual items such as pasta, tinned veg and fruit, tinned custard, shower gel etc. If you would like any further information, please contact elicia.mills@denbighshire.gov.uk.

Cllr C Evans also shared a link with the councillors about a mental health project he is leading on where he will take leaflets out and about when riding his motorbike and meeting up with other bikers to encourage them to talk about mental health.

Many Thanks

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