

Minutes TREMEIRCHION, CWM AND WAEN Community Council

MEETING held 6.00 PM ON Tuesday 12th of December, 2023

Held at The White House Rhualt.

Option to attend via Microsoft Teams was unavailable this month as it was an additional meeting and needed to be brief.

- i) Open forum.
- ii) Meetings and minutes.
 - i) Apologies. Cllr's Dr M Lloyd Williams, D Jones, A Edwards, C Mearns and D Davies.
 - ii) In attendance. Cllrs A Jones (Chair), D Williams, K Potts, C Marston, J Christian, A Morris, J Baldwin Evans, C Evans, Dr P Day, and Clerk Mrs S Fordham.
 - iii) Declarations of interest outside of the annual declaration form. None.
 - iv) Previous minutes approval and accuracy. Agreed by all, Proposed Cllr J Christian, Seconded Cllr D Williams.
 - v) Matters arising not covered by this agenda. Adding a proposer and seconder to the November meeting for the October minutes approval etc as it got missed off on the night, Proposed Cllr J Christian, Seconded Cllr K Potts.
 - vi) Correspondence. The main item of correspondence discussed at length was the email of concerns from a Marian Cwm resident. It was agreed that where any action can be taken (E.G. concerns about the highway condition) the residents concerns will be added to any letters/emails to the relevant part of DCC.
- 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.

4. Precept level for 2024-2025. For decision.
(paper shared in advance via email).

The Clerk shared a paper with an estimated forecast of a 3-year budget showing rising costs of budget headings such as salaries, insurance etc and the necessary reserve funds (to cover 3-6 months running costs as specified in good practice guides for local councils). A considerable and robust discussion took place in particular between the need to be mindful of the impact of rising costs on local households and the need to cover any rising costs. Agreed to increase precept by £1,200 per annum to £19,700.

Proposed Cllr J Christian, Seconded Cllr J Baldwin-Evans.

5. Planning: For decisions

i) 47/2023/0792.

ii) 47/2023/0796.

iii) 47/2023/0708

iv) 47/2023/0483

v) 47/2023/0786

vi) 47/2023/0785

Tyddden, Tremeirchion. No objections. Proposed Cllr J Christian. Seconded Cllr D Williams.

Biogen, Waen Holywell road, Rhualt. Objections. Due to lack of screening as per original planning requirements, plus detrimental impact on agricultural community, and the potential increased traffic, noise and olfactory pollution/nuisances. **Proposed Cllr C Marston. Seconded Cllr A Morris.**

Former Rhyl Rugby Club, Waen road, Rhuddlan. Objections including: this is not a sustainable location and is not well placed for public transport as per the Minister for Climate Changes previous decision on this site on 17th August 2023; that the previous application was refused and substituting Chalets for pods implies an attempt to work round the statement that DCC SPG 3.3 made that lodges, chalets and pods and other similar structures which fall within this definition will therefore be treated as static caravans. **Proposed Cllr D Williams, Seconded Cllr C Marston.**

8 Dyffryn Teg, Rhualt. No objections. Proposed Cllr D Williams, Seconded Cllr J Baldwin-Evans.

Maen Efa, Tremeirchion. No objections. Proposed Cllr C Marston. Seconded Cllr K Potts.

Coed Duon, Tremeirchion. No objection with the condition applied that it remains part of the overall property in perpetuity. Proposed Cllr C Marston and Seconded Cllr D Williams.

6. Finance: i) Current and reserve balances.

For information. Total bank balance is £18,154.41 across the 2 accounts.

ii) Payments

For approval.

i)	Room hire. Salusbury Arms.	£50.00
ii)	Newsletter printing. Delyn press.	£115.00
iii)	Newsletter leaflet stands, repayment to Cllr D Williams.	£21.75

All approved: Proposed Cllr J Baldwin-Evans, Seconded Cllr C Marston.

11. County Councillors Report. Shared by email and added as appendix 1. For information.

13. Next meeting venue January 17th 2024 Waen parish hall. For information.

(Mrs) Sue Fordham Clerk to the Council.

Appendix 1.

New Banking Hub already proving popular

Vale of Clwyd MP Dr James Davies officially opened the new Banking Hub in Prestatyn yesterday afternoon and is delighted it is already proving popular with residents and businesses. Located at 35 High Street, in the former HSBC bank premises, the Banking Hub is the first to be opened in Wales. There was a soft opening of the new facility last week, but yesterday James was joined by the Paymaster General, the Rt Honourable John Glen MP for the official opening. As Economic Secretary to the Treasury, he drove forward legislation to protect access to cash, including via Banking Hubs.

In recent years, James has worked closely with LINK and Cash Access UK, an independent company funded by nine banks and building societies (Barclays, HSBC, Lloyds Banking Group, Nationwide Building Society, NatWest Group, Santander, Virgin Money, Danske Bank and TSB), to deliver the Hub.

Speaking after the official opening, James - who prior to helping to secure the Hub for the town led a successful campaign to reinstate cash machines within the High Street - said:

“It really is rewarding to find that Prestatyn is the first town in Wales to receive a Banking Hub. “We have seen seven banks shut their doors in the town in recent years and people were having to travel to neighbouring towns if they wished to see someone face to face. “Whilst I appreciate that internet banking is the preferred option when banking for a great many these days, it is not possible to do everything online and some people, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, want, and often need, to physically visit a bank. “Prestatyn also still has many businesses in the town which deal with cash and therefore need easy access to a bank. “The Banking Hub meets these requirements, and I was not surprised to be told by staff at the Hub that it has been well-used since opening last week - with them seeing roughly one customer every 15 minutes. “I spoke to a number of customers at the official opening, all of whom said they were grateful to have this new Banking Hub on their doorstep. “I know the new facility will also be hugely popular with the many tourists who visit the town in the summer months. “It has been a pleasure working with LINK and Cash Access UK to secure the Banking Hub for Prestatyn, and I look forward to seeing more Banking Hubs open across the country in the future.”

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The Prestatyn Banking Hub will be open Monday to Friday between 9am-5pm for customers of any bank and the Community Bankers will work on rotation, with a different bank or building society available on each day of the week:

Monday: Halifax

Thursday: Santander

Tuesday: NatWest

Friday: HSBC

Wednesday: Barclays

While it is very much hoped the Banking Hub will prove an extremely welcome and well-used facility, it is important to note that the town's current Post Office branches will continue to offer a range of banking services also.

'DEFNYDDIA DY GYMRAEG'

The 'Defnyddia dy Gymraeg' (Use your Welsh) campaign will run between 27 November and 11 December. The purpose of this campaign is to encourage Welsh speakers and learners from all over Wales to use the language in their everyday life - at work, with the family, with colleagues, when going to the shop, face to face or on-line

My end of year message, I would like to give thanks to Sue who has been great in her new role with informing all the community councillors and going way over above her role.

Secondly I'd like to thank Dewi Davies / Jan Baldwin-Evans / Kevin Potts. In my role as county councillor trying to keep the pressure on with the LLanerch bridge issue as I've been informed that some think that I am not doing enough to highlight the issue, this year we have kept the pressure up 100% more than before my role as county councillor. With having meetings at the bridge with myself organising the public meetings in the White House and inviting Denbighshire County councillors as well as cabinet members. Raising the bridge issue in full council for the BBC and local papers to get involved with our issue of getting the bridge resurrected, all of this I do for the ward that I am passionate to represent, and to those who have criticised me in not doing enough, you have my contact details and I am free to discuss the issue at any time.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c3g3jvvz28zo>

<https://www.herald.wales/north-wales/denbighshire/denbighshire-and-welsh-government-criticised-for-delay-in-replacing-llanerch-bridge/>

<https://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/two-welsh-villages-used-connected-27857551>

<https://www.denbighshirefreepress.co.uk/news/23832682.work-yet-start-llanerch-bridge/>



The Llŷnerch Bridge between Trefnant and Tremeirchion collapsed in 2021 (Pic: Christopher Furlong / Getty Images)

Mental health:

As many of you know I've had my battles with my mental health which I have been proactive in 2023, highlighting and raising the taboo subject that is still so misunderstood in our society. I am raising the awareness in many ways, such as mental health first aiding talks, government forums on mental health, mental health motorbike first aiding . I am doing all of this as I am passionate about the issue that I have and so do others.

<https://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/man-who-risen-flames-mental-27280348>

A screenshot of a news article from 'the freepress'. The article title is 'Denbighshire biker Chris Evans to spread mental health message on his Harley!'. Below the title are navigation tabs for 'HARLEY-DAVIDSON', 'HEALTH', 'LOCAL GOVERNMENT', and 'PEOPLE'. The main image shows a man, Chris Evans, sitting on a Harley-Davidson motorcycle. He is wearing a red and black plaid shirt and a dark vest. He is holding a white leaflet or sign. The background shows a paved area and trees. Below the image is a caption: 'Chris, 47, has now made it his quest to help fight the stigma of mental health problems and plans to ride around North Wales, handing out mental health leaflets at popular bike haunts whilst encouraging people to talk.'

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COPING AT CHRISTMAS

Christmas can be tough. That's why it's important to know there's always someone you can talk to.

 <p>0300 123 3393 Helpline mind.org.uk</p>	 <p>Text SHOUT to 85258 24/7 text service giveuseshout.org</p>	 <p>116 123 24/7 helpline samaritans.org</p>
 <p>Text YM to 85258 24/7 text service youngminds.org.uk</p>	 <p>0300 58 58 58 Helpline for men thecalzone.net</p>	 <p>0800 068 4141 Under 35s Helpline papyrus-uk.org</p>

*Nadolig Llawn a Blwyddyn
Newydd Dda*

*Merry Christmas and a Happy
New Year*



Many Thanks

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This email has been sent by a person with a learning disability.

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