

TREMEIRCHION, CWM AND WAEN Community Council
MEETING held 7.00 PM ON WEDNESDAY 21st February, 2024

Held at Old School 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.

1. Open forum.
2. Meetings and minutes.
 1. Apologies. Cllr's A Jones (work), D Jones (home commitments). Chair for evening was vice chair Cllr D Williams as the chair was absent.
2. In attendance. Cllrs D Williams (Vice-Chair), K Potts, J Baldwin-Evans, J Christian, C Marston, C Evans, A Edwards, Dr M Lloyd Williams, Dr P Day, D Davies, C Mearns, A Morris.
 Guests for up to and including all of 4.1 Tim Towers, DCC Asset and Risk Manager and DCC Cllr James Elson and 4.2 DCC Cllr Peter Scott.
3. Declarations of interest outside of the annual declaration form. None that are not on the annual declaration form.
4. Previous minutes approval and accuracy. Agreed as accurate. **Proposed Cllr J Christian, Seconded Cllr J Baldwin-Evans.**
5. Matters arising not covered by this agenda. School playing field. Following site meeting with potential contractors' information gathered on day was given to room and the **ACTION:** the Clerk to contact for a new quote/breakdown of costings/timeline as discussed on the day with one contractor and bring to next meeting for final approval. Also Clerk to investigate how we can claim back the VAT that will be payable.
6. Correspondence. Letter of reply from Lord Langford's office: **ACTION:** Clerk to write to new contact given. Also an article in next newsletter to signpost residents to the correct route for permission to walk in Cwm woods.
 Email about a donation of a bench or tree: **ACTION:** Clerk to write back requesting further information and to express our positive interest.
 Email about a planning issue, Ty Cely. **ACTION:** Clerk to formally write to DCC planning and enforcement to enquire where we are with this issue.

3. 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. Papers circulated in advance to all councillors via email.

i) LLannerch Bridge.

A presentation of the old bridge and new one that is the most viable option was given by the representatives from DCC. Lots of challenges to yet overcome before build goes ahead. More information to follow in months to come. **ACTION:** Tim Towers to share relevant information when/if it becomes available. **ACTION:** Clerk to thank Tim Towers and Cllr James Elson for attending and to ask a follow-on question re the potential highways feed changes into new bridge design.

5. ii) DCC current plans re Gypsy and Traveller sites.

Cllr Peter Scott gave a short presentation about the ongoing work to assess accommodation needs in the DCC area as part of the Local Development Plan, much work still to be done before any final decisions are made.

Planning: For decisions

i) 47/2024/0034

Coed Cyll, Old A55 Rhuallt hill, Rhuallt: **No objections. Proposed Cllr D Davies. Seconded Cllr C Marston.**

ii) 47/2023/0926

Land south of Roman road, Old Coach road, Rhuallt. **Objections** – due to it being a significant development in an area of ANOB.

Proposed Cllr D Davies. and Seconded Cllr J Baldwin-Evans (voted through by all in attendance able to vote).

6. Finance:

i) Current and reserve balances.

For information. Total bank balance is £20,836.06 in the two accounts.

ii) Finance reports and accounts.

Update given. Coming up to end of the financial year some headings on the finance plan need to be split into more headings....eg Grants and donations into, S137 grants, Major projects, contingency and other.

iii) Payments

For approval.

i) Clerks' salary for Feb inc second third of back pay	£820.01
ii) HMRC Income tax Clerk for Feb	£158.00

Re: Clerks Contract of Employment and TCWCC Pension contributions, there is a need for a resolution re TCWCC Pension contributions in advance of 2023/24 year end (mindful that the Internal Auditor raised concern re previous clerk arrangements in the 2022/23 audit). This may require independent fee based advice.

iii)	Waen Parish hall rental x 2.	£50.00
iv)	Section 137 grant to Tremeirchion Bach Choir	£400.00
v)	Section 137 grant to Rhualt community residence group	£250.00
vi)	Section 137 grant to the Charity of Elizabeth Hughes	£200.00
vii)	Section 137 grant to The Salusbury Arms community pub	£300.00
viii)	Section 137 grant to the Urdd fund for all	£180.00
ix)	Old school Tremeirchion rental x 5.	£150.00
x)	Lengthsman.	£85.00

All approved: Proposed Cllr Dr M Lloyd Williams , Seconded Cllr D Davies.

7. Llannerch Bridge: Covered by item 4.ii.

8. County Councillors Report:

9. Community Council issues. For information.

- Cllr K Potts, follow up on MoP's concerns re flooding in Tremeirchion and thanks to be passed to Lengthsman re noticeboard etc.
Action Clerk.
- Cllr D Williams, Lengthsman to be aware of latch problem re Cwm noticeboard. Also update about the engagement re the National Parks plans, formal consultation will take place later this year. **ACTION** Clerk to inform Lengthsman re noticeboard and summarise any useful info when they have attended engagement session on the 22nd Feb and distribute.
- Cllr Dr M Lloyd Williams, Missing grit bins and flooding and blocked drains, trees that need cutting back will be actioned when the weather improves. **ACTION:** Report on DCC system and Cllr C Evans to also chase.
- Cllr Dr P Day, concerns expressed about the unaware being caught out by muddy roads.
- Cllr A Morris, Clwyd Agri in discussion and negotiation re excess water being piped away from roads.
- Cllr A Edwards, Orchard now planted. Roundabout near Waen Parish Hall has been run over by heavy vehicle, Lengthsman asked for this to be raised. All unsure what action could be taken.

- Cllr C Marston, requested an LDP update to be on agenda. **ACTION:** Clerk to request update from senior planning officer at DCC.
- Cllr J Baldwin-Evans, Will report incident of fly tipping, has issues with internet seemingly caused by transmission issue via Bodfari, awaiting a PTO for work to be done underground that will necessitate road closure, Dogs were running loose and out of control on reserve, owner was offensive when spoken to, **ACTION** Cllr J Baldwin-Evans to get a reminder into the parish newsletter about dogs not to be running loose around animals etc.

10. Next meeting venue **Wednesday 20th March 2024 7pm** at the Salusbury Arms. For information.

(Mrs) Sue Fordham Clerk to the Council.

Appendix 1.

COUNCIL TAX

The labour cabinet and dcc officers think it's a great too up the council tax I am totally against this as people are struggling as it is with high prices of fuel and food the clecks shared the webcast from the meeting last week I hope everyone takes times to watch it totally wrong as services are going to get cut

Huge council tax increase for Denbighshire residents as councillor says, 'and you have the nerve to ask for more money'

Cllr Chris Evans gave an emotive speech, also condemning the council tax rise. "It is not just the people on benefits (who will struggle)," he said. "It is the working people who have to get the food parcels (food banks). Husband, wife, three kids, it is wrong to ask them for more money because the fly-tipping will still carry on, the dog fouling. The grass will still grow higher, and the services will still get cut, and you have the nerve to ask for more money. It is totally wrong." Many Thanks Cllr Chris Evans Independent Group E: robertchris.evans@denbighshire.gov.uk

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