

**OVERTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
TUESDAY 11th OCTOBER 2011**

PRESENT: Cllr D Burton, Cllr D Hughes, Cllr J Kember, Cllr R Lawrenson, Cllr J Maskall (Chairman), Cllr M Minihane, Cllr L Pugh and Cllr C Starkey

Present at this meeting: **County Councillor L Kenyon and Keith Garvey representing Wrexham County Borough Council (WCBC)**

PCSO S O'Connell
K Chalk (Clerk)

1. **2284. COMMENTS & QUERIES FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC** - No representations made.
2. **2285. PRESENTATION FROM MR KEITH GARVEY, TRANSPORTATION CO-ORDINATION MANAGER, WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Mr Garvey advised the meeting of consultation being carried out by the Transportation Department of WCBC to prioritise the money spent on supported public transport to ensure the best value for money and that the services currently running are well used.

After a lengthy discussion the members advised Mr Garvey that they felt and believed that the existing service should be maintained and that needs of residents were paramount i.e. whether they are using the bus service for work, leisure or education.

Councillor Kenyon advised members that all departments across WCBC were facing cutbacks and savings were necessary.

3. **2286. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr E Broad – working
Cllr H Toone – family matter

4. **2287. TO CONSIDER ANY POLICE MATTERS**

PCSO O'Connell advised the members of the past month's crime stats.

Crime Report September 2011

Theft From Vehicle	1
BOTD (Burglary other than dwelling)	3
Theft & Handling	1
Criminal Damage	3
Anti Social Behaviour	2
Burglary	1
Total	11

It was agreed that PCSO O'Connell would call on the resident in Salop Road to request that they park on the road, rather than the pavement, which causes an obstruction for pushchairs and wheelchair users.

Agenda item 2294. Vehicle speed in and around Overton was brought forward to this section so that the Police could be included in the discussion. Councillor Pugh read out the concerns that had been brought to her attention. All members agreed that the Highways Department should be advised of the anxiety of residents and a request for some type of traffic calming on the Overton to Penley road should be considered.

Action: Clerk to write to Highways Department.

5. 2288. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL & PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ANY ITEMS DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING – none disclosed.

6. 2289. TO CONSIDER ANY COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

1. The parking bay lines in the public carpark have been repainted – there were just a couple of areas which could not be repainted due to vehicles being parked there – **The Clerk will follow this up.**
2. Cllr Keynon expressed his concern about vehicles travelling at excess speed on the Penley Road and the recent fatality in Hanmer, which was not the first in this area.

Cllr Kenyon left the meeting.

7. 2290. TO AGREE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 13TH SEPTEMBER 2011.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the previous Overton Community Council meeting held on 13th September be received and confirmed as a correct record.

8. 2291. TO AGREE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning meeting 13th September

Planning Committee 22nd September

Website Committee 22nd September

The minutes from the above mentioned committee meetings were agreed and signed.

9. 2292. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Council meeting

2273. TO CONSIDER ANY COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS.

Adoption of management and running of Overton public toilets – Wrexham County Borough Council has supplied the necessary information regarding running costs, although maintenance and emergency charges were not included.

Action: Clerk to compile consultation for residents.

10.2277. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM COUNCILLORS RE: CONSULTATIONS/DRAFT DOCUMENTS/MEETINGS RAISED AT LAST MEETING

(i) Yew trees in the Cemetery – Part of the Laurel hedge and three of the Yew trees in the Cemetery have been trimmed back. Residents whose gardens back on to the Cemetery had confirmed with the Clerk that the work had been carried out satisfactorily. The Ombudsman for Wales has been notified of the completed work.

11.2278. TO RECEIVE REPORTS /ISSUES

g. Installation of a sign at the entrance to the Playingfield advising drivers to be aware of children and another sign close to the exit from the Avenue advising people to be aware of vehicles entering the car park – these have been ordered.

h. Diamond Jubilee Beacon Celebrations on 4th June 2012 – The Clerk has made enquiries to Wrexham County Borough Council regarding next years celebrations, but has not had a reply as yet.

10. 2293. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM COUNCILLORS RE: CONSULTATIONS/DRAFT DOCUMENTS/MEETINGS RAISED AT LAST MEETING

1. Wrexham Community South Safety Meeting – Cllr Burton advised members that:
 - The Police are carrying out a 90 day fit for purpose process on the new changes that came into practice on the 1st May 2011.
 - The speed gun can be used within the village with Inspector Dean Hewitt working with PCSO Large and issuing tickets if and when necessary.
 - It has been noted that CBM's have become more involved in the areas that have a crime problem and the areas with lower crime areas don't see such a high police presence.
2. Town and Community Council Forum – Cllr Maskall gave feedback on the meeting advising members on a number of items discussed:
 - Street lighting
 - Double taxation
 - Devolved powers to Community Councils
 - Overgrown hedges in the Wrexham area
 - Local election awareness days.

Confirmation of how the cost of the report from the Boundary Commission has been funded was explained – The Welsh Government has funded the report and Wrexham County Borough Council paid for the responses submitted.

3. Consultation on Local Planning Guidance note 16 – Parking Standards – Cllr Pugh gave feedback on the consultation – The Clerk will send a response to consultation.

11. 2294. TO RECEIVE REPORTS /ISSUES

- a) Consideration/Approval and signing of the Annual Return for year end 31st March 2011 – **The Council approved the Annual Return. The Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer signed the Annual Return.**
- b) SOS Knights – **It was agreed that the draft cards and posters, including costs would be brought to the next council meeting.**
- c) Youth Voice – Cllr Starkey updated members on the work that the members of Youth Voice have been undertaking:
 - They compiled a questionnaire asking young people '*advise the community council what Overton youth would like in the village.*'
 - Designed a poster for Halloween (requesting no trick or treating) to be distributed to areas of Overton)
 - There is an opportunity for Youth Voice to learn bell ringing – an instructor may be hired to give the young people a bell ringing lesson.Cllr Starkey advised members that issues with bikes being left in the hall of the Cocoa rooms. It was agreed that Youth Voice should contact the Overton Hall Management Committee to discuss where bikes can be stored when the children are in the Library.
- d) School Governor Report – **This was deferred to the November meeting.**
- e) Approval for expenditure on two grit boxes in Overton area £150.00 per box and salt – Council voted for the purchase of the 2 grit boxes **7 in favour and 1 against. Action: Clerk to contact WCBC**
- f) Storage of the Christmas trees – The Christmas trees will be stored in the Cemetery shed.
- g) Repair cost for play equipment - £461.00 – After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the Clerk would request clarification from the Contractor regarding the quote.

12. 2295. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Wrexham County Borough Council

1. Off street parking places – **no feedback given**
2. Comments/approval of plaque for Wrexham Museum – **Clerk will contact Wrexham Museum**

3. Examination process for Wrexham County Borough Council's Local Development Plan – **information only**

Police - none received

Other -

4. Welsh Government – Appeal against Betsi Cadwaladr University Local Health Board decision to refuse application by Mr Edwards and Mr Martin for inclusion in the pharmaceutical list at Bangor on Dee. **Further information from LHB observations due.**
5. Big Lottery Fund – **No project ideas submitted**
6. Tree packs for the Community, free tree packs (105 Royal Oak saplings) – **Clerk will advise local landowner**
7. Betsi Cadwaladr Community Health Council – suggestions on how they can ensure that the patients voice is heard when health services are planned and delivered. – **Information only**
8. Community Council representation on the Northern Marches Cymru Partnership Board – **information only**

Newsletter - none received

Funding request - none received

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Considered

P / 2011 / 0686 – Fairfield, 32 Salop Road, Overton - Fell one Willow tree.

P / 2011 / 0690 – Eastwood House, Willow Street, Overton – crown reduction by up to 2.5 metre low hanging branches from one Beech.

P / 2011 / 0725 – 22 High Street, Overton – internal alterations and single storey extension.

P / 2011 / 0726 – 22 High Street, Overton – Listed building consent for internal alterations and single storey extension.

Granted

0447 - Knolton Farmhouse Cheese - fit solar panels to roofs of cheese factory - policies considered in UDP were: - EC 5 and GDP1

0446 - Knolton Farmhouse Cheese - - solar panel installation - policies considered in UDP were: - EC 5 and GDP1

0453 - Carreg Y Ffranc - extension to existing agricultural farm building - policies consider in UDP were: - EC3, EC5 and GDP1

0475 - 3 Dispensary Row - Listed building consent for replacement of existing roof on single story rear extension and insertion of new window on rear extension and amendment to internal layout - policies considered in UDP were: - EC7, EC9, GDP1 and PS2.

13. **2296. BURIALS & MEMORIALS** - none

14. **2297. TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

- Upper Lodge – cuttings from tree deposited in the Millennium Meadow
- Potholes on the Lightwood Green Road off A539

Action: The Clerk to make enquires/report issues.

15. 2298. TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF INCOME AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

September
EXPENDITURE

Details	£	Cheque No.
XLN – Clerk’s telephone and broadband connection	40.41	D/D
AVOW – Clerk’s wages for August 2011	548.76	2234
Mr C McCreary – repositioning of fence in Playingfield	50.00	2235
Mrs Janine Austin – Cleaning of public toilets between 1 st and 12 th September inclusive	71.16	2236
O.V.H.M.C – rent for Parish Room for two additional meeting dates in 2011	25.00	2237
Mr Pat Loughlin – maintenance of Playingfield, Cemetery and Cenotaph	797.00	2238
SAGE – online training renewal of contract	48.00	2239
Total	1580.33	

INCOME

Details	£	Voucher No
Paul Davies Memorials – memorial stone for Mrs Rosemary Parkin (Plot B 80)	125.00	588
Total	125.00	

Proposed by Cllr Starkey, seconded Cllr Burton

16. 2299. COMMUNITY COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Balance as at 03/10/11

Current Account	£ 1,000.00
Savings Account	£ 18,980.72
TOTAL	£ 19,980.72

Proposed by Cllr Burton, seconded by Cllr Pugh

17. 2300. TO RECEIVE ANY AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AND CONFIRM DATE (8TH NOVEMBER 2011)

- Precept
- School governor’s report
- SOS Knights
- Inspection of Playingfield