

**OVERTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 11TH MAY 2010**

PRESENT: Cllr J Maskall (Chairman), Cllr D Burton (Vice-Chairman), Cllr A Dodwell, Cllr D Hughes, Cllr J Kember, Cllr L Pugh, Cllr J Ralphs, Cllr C Starkey and Cllr H Toone.

PC S Evans
K Chalk (Clerk)

1. 2037. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr Ralphs nominated Cllr Maskall – **All in favour**

Thanks were given to Cllr Kember for all the commitment she had shown during the past two years. Cllr Kember thanked Cllr Maskall as Vice Chairman for her support and also the Clerk.

2. 2038. TO RECEIVE CHAIRMANS DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Cllr Maskall read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. 2039. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr Ralphs nominated Cllr Burton, seconded by Cllr Hughes - **All in favour**

4. 2040. TO APPOINT SCHOOL GOVERNOR

Cllr Kember agreed to continue as the appointed school governor

5. 2041. TO APPOINT COMMITTEES

The Committee members were appointed and when each committee meets the Chairman will be elected.

6. 2042. TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

OVERTON UNITED CHARITIES

M Pinder
C Starkey

TWINNING ASSOCIATION

C Starkey

COMMUNITY SOUTH SAFETY GROUP

D Burton
D Hughes

7. 2043. COMMENTS & QUERIES FROM MEMBERS OF PUBLIC - none received

Cllr Dodwell joined the meeting

8. 2044. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr R Lawrenson
Cllr M Pinder – previous commitment

9. 2045. TO CONSIDER ANY POLICE MATTERS

Overton Event Summary

PC Evans advised the meeting that no recorded crime had occurred in Overton last month. There had been a couple of reports of anti social/inconsiderate drivers.

PC Evans warned of a £20 scam that is currently operating in the area – the Corner Shop and the White Horse have been targeted.

There is also a couple selling bed linen, particularly to the elderly and vulnerable and in some cases – not in this area, money has been taken.

PC Evans compared the criminal offences between January to May this year to last year and there has been a 20% reduction 10 in 2010 and 14 in 2009.

The GO SAFE van has been in the village.

PC Evans left the meeting.

10. 2046. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL & PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ANY ITEMS DISCUSSED IN THE MTG

Cllr Starkey – agenda item 2051. 6. Twinning Association accounts – Secretary to the Twinning Association.

11. 2047. TO AGREE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13th APRIL 2010.

Council approved the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 13th April to be signed as a correct record.

12. 2048. TO AGREE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING WITH OVERTON RECREATIONAL FOOTBALL CLUB HELD ON THURSDAY 22ND APRIL 2010.

Council approved the minutes of the meeting with Overton Recreational Football Club.

13. 2049 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Council Minutes

Outstanding matters from previous meetings

Playingfield meeting

h. Repainting of the Playingfield gates.

The Clerk has written to the Secretary of Overton Cricket Club advising him of the two quotes received and requesting a decision from the Cricket Club within seven working days as to which contractor they would like to use.

Councillors requested the following action: - **A follow up letter advising that the work will be carried out will be sent if no reply from initial letter is received.**

9. 2030. TO RECEIVE REPORTS /ISSUES

b. Feedback from Oracle article regarding double yellow lines

A letter has been written to Rowlands Chemist regarding vehicles parking outside the Chemist, as yet no reply had been received. The Chairman advised, in Cllr Pinder's absence, that the Overton surgery had been

approached and they are considering adding a polite notice reminding customers about parking on the main road outside the surgery to the foot of their prescriptions.

c. Website update

The Clerk advised the meeting that under the Local Government Act 1972 schedule 143 a website can be set up to promote the village and local attractions, with a committee overseeing the contents and receiving an modest income

d. Traffic Calming Working Party update.

A poster advertising the next meeting has been produced and will be distributed towards the end of the week.

f. Quotes for meadow cutting

The Clerk informed the meeting that Salop Grass Cutting had been given the work of cutting the Millennium Meadow and they had already carried one cut, which had been done to an excellent standard.

g. Quotes for replacing windows at the Football Pavilion

The Clerk had not received all three quotes – so this item has been moved to the June agenda.

14. 2049. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM COUNCILLORS RE: CONSULTATIONS/DRAFT DOCUMENTS/MEETINGS RAISED AT LAST MEETING

1. Wrexham Community South Safety Meeting – Cllr Burton advised Inspector Iwan Jones talked about using his Community Beat Managers (CBMs) to form a pool to support areas where there are problems. Whilst he recognised that councillors would want to retain the local link between individual CBMs and their areas, they had to recognise that any CBM only worked 37.5 hours per week and therefore there are 130 hours per week when they are not on duty. The new idea was to fill those gaps. Councillors and the public would be best advised to contact the control room for immediate attention. North Wales Police had to make cuts of £15 million in 2010 and the biggest cost was in personnel and overtime. Each Inspector was required to use his/her resources more effectively.

Also PCSOs were to be used to support victims of crime and to ensure that they have had a good police response and experience and to reassure them. PCSOs were to go around on foot where practical. PCSOs would be required to maintain a high standard of dress code.

- 2, Review of Councillors' allowance regulations consultation – Cllr Maskall gave feedback to the meeting regarding the consultation.

15. 2050. TO RECEIVE REPORTS /ISSUES

- a. Approval of draft documentation on the monitoring of the arrangements for financial management

The members approved the draft documentation.

- b. Setting up of a Youth Council

Cllr Starkey updated the members on the feasibility of setting up Youth Council. It was felt necessary to engage young people initially to judge the response to the idea. This could be achieved by having a 'drop in' session where their views and ideas could be gleaned from a questionnaire.

Action: Cllr Starkey will speak to the Youth Council Co-ordinator at Wrexham County Borough Council, The Maelor School and the Youth Club organisers to determine which approach would be beneficial to connect with the younger residents of the village.

- c. Football Tenancy Agreement

The meeting between the football club and the Community Council had been a very positive one. Another meeting is due to be set up to discuss the outcomes of the actions. The Clerk advised the members that an organisation, which consisted of Solicitors, would consider preparing the lease between the football club and

Overton Community Council at a reduced price or with no fee. This would require the Football Club to contact the organisation with financial details.

d. Website Working Party

The working party meeting had prepared an agenda for the forthcoming first website committee meeting. Cllr Maskall informed the meeting that additional Adobe Contribute may be required in order to allow other members to update the website. After a short discussion it was agreed that Mr James Allwood should be contacted for his advice and Mr Peter Leslie if necessary. Cllr Maskall advised the members that a Liability Clause had now been added to the website.

Action: Cllr Burton to meet with James Allwood and if necessary Peter Leslie regarding the free software that is available online for website.

e. Traffic Calming Working Party update

The previous meeting was not well attended, but it was agreed that a letter should be compiled by three residents, requesting local MPs and representatives to lobby on behalf of traffic calming campaign in Overton. This will be sent out once the election is over. The next meeting is due to be held on Monday 17th May. Janet Ryder AM North Wales will be attending the meeting.

Action: Clerk to contact Heart FM to request announcement of the meeting and Janet Ryder attending.

g) Planning applications to be considered – P/2010/0206 – **It was agreed this application would be discussed at the Planning meeting due to be held after the AGM.**

16. 2051. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Wrexham County Borough Council

1. Annual meeting of the Council – Tuesday 18th May 2010 – Council Chamber, Guildhall (the new Mayor and Deputy Mayor are elected. – **Councillors unable to attend**
2. Local Development Plan drop-in session – a feedback meeting may be required or a short presentation at June meeting – for information only
3. Variation to licensable activity – coffee shop, 7 Penyllan Street, Overton – for information only.

Other

4. National Eisteddfod – Proclamation Ceremony – Saturday 3rd July 2010, Wrexham – **Cllr Hughes to attend**
5. One Voice Wales – nomination for two Councillors to attend quarterly Area Committee meetings – **Cllrs Kember and Maskall to attend**
6. Twinning Accounts – for information only.
7. Request from Mr Peter Corby to have a wooden bench placed in Cemetery – **Council approved this request.**
8. Mr Alan Edwards – outcome to the proposed traffic order along Turning Street – for information only
9. The Chairman read out a letter of resignation, due to retirement, from Cllr Josie Ralphs. **All the Councillors thanked Josie for all her hard work and dedication during the 36 years as a voluntary community councillor.**

NEW APPLICATIONS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION

No objections – no meeting was held, but comments were received.

P2009/0190 – Gwydyr House 7 Penyllan Street, Overton – listed building consent for refurbishment of existing retail area and single residential accommodation.

P/2010/0275 – Orchard Cottage, Lightwood Green – change of use to equestrian business.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS (DECISION MADE BY WCBC)

Granted

P/2010/0127 – Church Cottage, 16 High Street, Overton – remove two conifers within Conservation area.

Refused

P/2010/0027 – Land at Knolton Bryn – Outline application for erection of agricultural workers dwelling and associated access and amenity area. Policies considered EC4, EC6, GDP1, H5 and PS2.

17. 12052. BURIALS & MEMORIALS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Plot</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Graeme M Roberts	B78	125.00 (headstone)
Vivienne Gregg	C114	600.00

18. 2053. TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS MATTERS - none raised.

19. 2054. TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF INCOME AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

April

EXPENDITURE

Details	£	Cheque No.
BT – clerks phone and broadband invoice	47.70	D/D
Eastwick garden centre – supply and plant 2 Oak trees and 6 hedge whips	30.55	2050
WCBC – Quarterly maintenance – community street lighting (01/01/10 TO 31/03/10)	214.50	2051
WCBC – Provision of payroll services	141.00	2052
1 st Overton Scout Group – hire of hall for meeting with Overton Recreational Football Club	10.00	2053
Mrs Katrina Chalk – payment for stamps and 1 day grants course (AVOW)	27.95	2054
Mrs Janine Austin – Public toilet cleaning for April 2010	217.00	2055
Mr Pat Loughlin – Maintenance in Playingfield, Cenotaph and Cemetery	1,068.00	2056
Total	1,756.70	

April

INCOME

Details	£	Voucher No
Edgerton Brothers – Headstone for Greame Mark Roberts (Plot B78)	125.00	531
Roberts Brothers – Burial of Vivienne Gregg (Plot C114)	600.00	532
Total	725.00	

20. 2055. COMMUNITY COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Balance as at 04/05/10

Current Account	£ 1,000.00
Savings Account	£ 22,566.46
TOTAL	£ 23.566.46

Proposed by Cllr Toone Seconded by Cllr Kember.

21. 2056. TO RECEIVE ANY AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AND CONFIRM DATE (8TH JUNE 2010)

- To appoint internal auditor
- To approve Accounts for year ending 31March 2010
- Fete update
- Youth Council