

OVERTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

TUESDAY 13th APRIL 2010

PRESENT: Cllr J Kember (Chairman), Cllr J Maskall (Vice-Chairman), Cllr D Burton, Cllr D Hughes, Cllr R Lawrenson, Cllr M Pinder, Cllr L Pugh, Cllr C Starkey and Cllr H Toone.

K Chalk (Clerk)

1. 2022. COMMENTS & QUERIES FROM MEMBERS OF PUBLIC

A member of the public requested that Councillors give consideration to pruning the two Ash trees that are adjacent to the Wrexham Road. The Chairman advised that this would be discussed under correspondence received.

2. 2023. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr A Dodwell – working away
Cllr J Ralphs - unwell

3. 2024. TO CONSIDER ANY POLICE MATTERS

Overton Event Summary

21st March - a report of the theft of a woodchipper from property on Cloy Lane.

22nd March - a report of a break in at one of the units at Bryn Y PYS farm.

27th and 29th - March two reports of criminal damage to motorcars parked on Bangor Road. Near to where the cars are parked is a lit street where youths play football. Unfortunately the ball goes over the fences into near-by properties, which is a nuisance to homeowners. One of the victims to the damage has confronted the youths about the constant problem. Although no evidence at this time, it is assumed that one of the youths perhaps has caused the damage out of spite. Scratch marks along the length of three cars in total.

23rd March - road traffic collision High street, outside the pharmacy. Two vehicles involved whereby one car has stopped and the other has gone in the back. Minor injuries.

26th March - road traffic collision near Barton's Bridge, between Overton and St Martins. Two vehicles involved with minor injuries.

There has been an increase in farm and plant machinery thefts in the area.

Regarding traffic calming, recent speed checks have resulted in three motorists received £60 fines and 3 points and 9 motorists received cautions. It is hoped to continue with speed enforcement on a regular basis

PC Evans left the meeting.

9 c. Website update

Cllr Maskall introduced James Allwood an IT specialist who has volunteered to help get the website up and running. He presented his ideas to Councillors. After some discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would look into the legality of receiving income from the website and the practicalities of managing the website with external links and possible libel consequences. A permanent committee/working party would be required to oversee the running of the website with Mr J Allwood invited to attend – a vote was taken, 8 in favour, 1 abstention.

Action: The Clerk to make enquires about legal responsibilities for Community Council. Cllr Maskall to set up a working party meeting – Cllr Starkey to join the current working party.

4. **2025. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL & PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ANY ITEMS DISCUSSED IN THE MTG** – none disclosed.

5. **2026. TO AGREE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9th MARCH 2010.**

Council approved the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 9th March to be signed as a correct record.

6. **2027. TO AGREE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Council approved the minutes of the following meetings

Planning 9th March 2010

Planning 24th March 2010

7. **2028. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Outstanding matters from previous meetings

7. **2013. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Playingfield meeting

- h. **Repainting of the Playingfield gates.**

The Clerk contacted Mr Neil Woolley who advised that a member of the Cricket Club would be contacting Mr Tim Rosselli to discuss the matter with him. Mr Rosselli had met with the Clerk after this meeting and advised that the Cricket Club accepted that the cost of repainting the gates would be shared with the Community Council. Quotes would be requested for the painting of the gates and the Cricket Club will be contacted when they have been received and an agreement as to who to use would be reached.

Action: Clerk to request quotes for the painting of the Playingfield entrance gates

8. **2014. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM COUNCILLORS RE: CONSULTATIONS/DRAFT DOCUMENTS/MEETINGS RAISED AT LAST MEETING**

2. Town and Community Council Forum - The Clerk has contacted Steve Jones submitting an expression of interest regarding available funding carbon emission and energy use reduction.

9. **2015. TO RECEIVE REPORTS /ISSUES**

- b. Cemetery maintenance - the plots have now been levelled and seeded.

- h. Draft Football Tenancy Agreement – The Chairman of the Football Club has requested a date is set for a meeting with Overton Community Council

Action: Clerk to supply several dates to the Football Club.

10. **2016. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Wrexham County Borough Council

1. Consultation regarding proposed Traffic Regulation Order Turning Street – **a letter expressing the community council's objections has been sent to Wrexham County Borough Council.**

3. Cemeteries and Crematorium Registrar – Provision of services – **The Clerk has contacted One Voice Wales regarding the different charges made for burials. Although a response is still to be received, initially indications are that until this issue is challenged directly in Court then Community Councils may continue with their current charges.**
9. Berryman's Lacey Mawer – personal injury claim – **The necessary information was forwarded to the Solicitors.**

12. 2018. TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Loose kerbstone outside Playingfield entrance – **this has been repaired.**

8. 2029. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM COUNCILLORS RE: CONSULTATIONS/DRAFT DOCUMENTS/MEETINGS RAISED AT LAST MEETING

1. Wrexham Community South Safety Meeting – **Cllrs Burton away when this meeting took place**
2. One Voice Wales meeting – **Cllr Kember advised that discussions on the current state of the highways had taken place during the meeting and the Flintshire constitution had been clarified.**
3. Review of Councillors' allowance regulations consultation – **This item will be discussed in May.**
4. Shropshire Council – Local development framework – **Cllr Maskall gave a brief outline to the framework. It consisted of cross boundary engagement, community hubs, clusters and intended developments within Shropshire.**

9. 2030. TO RECEIVE REPORTS /ISSUES

- a. Setting up of Youth Council – **This item will be discussed in May.**
- b. Feedback from Oracle article regarding double yellow lines

The response to the questionnaire in the Oracle was approximately 15%. It was agreed that the parking situation outside the Chemist would be monitored. Rowlands Chemist and Overton Surgery will be approached to enquire if there is anything they can do to encourage people to park in either the free public carpark or the Surgery carpark.

Action: Clerk to write to Rowlands Chemist. Cllr Pinder to approach Overton Surgery.

- c. Website update – **This item was discussed after the Police Report was given.**
- d. Traffic Calming Working Party update

Cllr Pinder advised the meeting that the turnout at the previous working party had been poor. It was agreed that the Clerk would produce a poster advertising the next traffic calming meeting. The agenda for the next meeting will involve finding ways of getting more people involved in the campaign.

Action: Clerk to produce poster.

- e. 70th Anniversary of Battle of Britain in 2010
 - Knolton Nursery £ 38.80 for plants and plantings – **Council approved this expenditure.**
- f. Quotes for meadow cutting
 - Wrights Landscapes £1175.00 (not including VAT)
 - Salop Grass Cutting £ 800.00 (not including VAT)

Action: The Clerk is to confirm with both parties that they have the necessary insurance. If not more quotes will have to be sort.

- g. Quotes for replacing windows at the Football Pavilion
 - John Boyle (Wrexham) - £1900.00 (not including VAT)
 - Anglian - £3800.00

Councillors requested additional quotes.

Action: Clerk to request additional quotations.

10. 2031. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Wrexham County Borough Council

1. Mayor's Charity Dinner, 30th April 2010 – **No Councillors available to attend.**

Police - none received

Newsletters – none received

Other

2. Rainbow Centre, Penley – invitation to open day Friday 16th April from 2.00pm – **Cllr Starkey to attend**
3. Weeping Ash trees on the Playingfield – **After a brief discussion, it was agreed that the Weeping Ash trees would be pruned. Clerk to contact All Things Trees.**
4. Rural Development Plan 2007 – 2013 – **The Clerk advised the meeting that the outcome of this application would not be known until 2011. It was agreed that alternative grants would be looked into.**
5. St John Ambulance – the necessary documentation has been received for the fete – **Council approval was requested for the insurance for the event. All in favour.**

NEW APPLICATIONS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION

No objections

P/2010/0229 – 16 Salop Road – listed building consent for installation of a window (**no meeting was held**)

PLANNING APPLICATIONS (DECISION MADE BY WCBC)

Granted

P/2009/0930 – The Homestead, Knolton – listed building consent for installation of extra skylight
P/2009/1019 – Overton Playcentre – Erection of covered area
P/2010/0052 - Agricultural land, Lightwood Green – Erection of agricultural building to store hay and straw bales.
P/2010/0055 - Bryntirion Grange, Knolton – Oak frame sunroom
P/2009/0772 - Field no SJ 3640 Oswestry Road, Overton – Erection of 2 polytunnels and planting of new 60m mixed hedgerow boundary

Refused

P/2010/0027 – Land at Knolton Bryn, Knolton – Outline application for erection of agricultural workers dwelling and associated access.
P/2010/ 0003 – The Trotting Mare, Knolton – Retrospective change of use of part of public house to use as part of private residence.

Withdrawn

P/2009/1008 – Orchard Cottage, Lightwood Green – retention of static caravan for staff accommodation.
P/2010/0021 – Gwydyr House, 7 Penyllan Street – listed building consent for change of use to coffee shop and delicatessen.
P/2009/1054 - Gwydyr House, 7 Penyllan Street –change of use to coffee shop and delicatessen.

11. 2032. BURIALS & MEMORIALS – none received.

12. 2033. TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Potholes – Maelor Court.

13. 2034. TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF INCOME AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**March****EXPENDITURE**

Details	£	Cheque No.
Mrs Katrina Chalk – Purchase of stamps	17.44	2032
G and L Shipton – mole clearance in Cemetery	35.00	2033
WCBC – quarterly maintenance community street lighting 1/10/09 – 31/12/09	224.42	2034
Mrs Miranda Austin – Sick leave cover – cleaning of the public toilets	217.00	2035
One Voice Wales – renewal of membership	142.00	2036
WCBC – invoice for Clerks January pay	445.48	2037
Mr Pat Loughlin – Playingfield and Cemetery litter collection	105.60	2038
BT – clerks phone and broadband invoice	43.81	D/D
Mrs Katrina Chalk – payment for stamps and photocopying for traffic calming and fete	21.00	2039
Mr W Large – service of Westwood mower	157.00	2040
Staples – stationery and photocopying	47.06	2041
I & J Claybrook – Christmas light installation, delivery of shooting stars, fixing to building and removal of icicles	1,134.16	2042
All things Trees – fell and removal of two dangerous roadside trees	528.75	2043
Wrexham County Borough Council – invoice for Clerk's February pay	445.48	2044
Overton Twinning Association – grant for 2010	750.00	2045
Overton Oracle – grant for 2010	1,300.00	2046
Mrs Janine Austin – WC cleaning for March 2010	221.06	2047
Mrs Katrina Chalk – overtime worked during February and March 2010	196.84	2048
Mr Pat Loughlin – maintenance work in the Playingfield and Cemetery	849.14	2049
Total	6,881.24	

March**INCOME**

Details	£	Voucher No
Edgerton and Sons (Burial of Rose Leadsome) Plot B 194	125.00	529
Overton Post Office – donation for village fete	5.00	530
TOTAL	130.00	

Proposed by Cllr Maskall, seconded by Cllr Pugh

14. 2035. COMMUNITY COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Balance as at 31/03/10

Current Account	£ 1,000.00
<u>Savings Account</u>	<u>£ 17,671.09</u>
TOTAL	£ 18,671.09

Proposed by Cllr Burton, seconded by Cllr Hughes

15. 2036. TO RECEIVE ANY AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING (AGM) AND CONFIRM DATE (11TH MAY 2010)

- Review of Councillors' allowance regulations consultation – **Cllr Maskall**
- Traffic Calming update – **Cllr Maskall**
- Youth Council – **Cllr Starkey**
- Website update
- Fete – **Cllr Kember**