

Ruabon Community Council

Minutes of Community Council's meeting held on Wednesday 28 March 2018 at 7.00pm at Ruabon Village Hall

Present: Councillor Dana Davies(Chair); Councillor Ann Davies; Councillor Ann Jones; Councillor Joan Lowe; Councillor Lisa Kelly; Councillor Cath. Roberts; Councillor Sharon Mazzarella; Councillor Bill Smith; Mike Blackshaw (Clerk/Finance Officer); PCSO Emily Blake

Also in attendance: Bryn Richards, Aldi Stores UK; Joanna Gabrilatsou, Matt. Simpson, JLL Ltd and Emyr Williams Liberty Properties.

Minute Ref No	Agenda Item No	Summary of Discussion	Decisions/ Agreed actions/ related Documents
4764	1	Item 1.0 - Apologies received from, Councillor Callum Edwards; Councillor Steve Jones; Councillor Supriya Kapas; Councillor Gwen Rogers; Ffion Morris Community Agent, PCSO Steve Bellis and Lora Guildford of Hafan Cymru.	
4765	2	Item 2.0 - Declarations of Interest: No declaration of interest at this stage.	
4766	3	Item - 3.0 Confirmation of the minutes – the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 31 January 2018 were received and agreed as a true and accurate record following a minor change, proposed by Councillor Ann Davies, seconded by Councillor Sharon Mazzarella and approved by Council.	
4767	4	Item 4.1 – Matters Arising – Notice Boards / Litter Bins - It was agreed to refer the matter to the Project Group meeting on Wednesday 11 April. The Clerk also reported that Lora Guildford had sent her apology as she was on annual leave but would be available to attend the meeting in April.	
4768	5	Item 5.1 – Ruabon Business Development. – The Chair welcomed members of the development team to the meeting, Mr. Bryn Richards of Aldi UK and Ms. Joanna Gabrilatsou of JLL Ltd. outlined the proposals for Phase 1 of the future development of the site which includes a supermarket, petrol station and a Costa Coffee. Detailed artist impressions of the layouts of both the proposed highway alterations and the site were circulated at the meeting for members to view. Mr. Richards advised the meeting that in order for the full development to take place it was necessary for infrastructure works to begin, this would only be achieved by the involvement and investment by companies such as Aldi UK and Liberty Properties. The proposed scheme would provide access to the site and was designed in line with the original planning approval, it would not cover the whole of the site which would be developed in the future by other developers. The Council were advised that it was the intention to submit a formal planning application by the end of April 2018 with work starting on site in September 2018 subject to approval being given and for the possible opening of the supermarket in September 2019. It was anticipated that the supermarket would provide between 40 - 45 jobs including an apprenticeship scheme, the petrol station and Costa Coffee offering approximately 15 jobs each with many of the 70–75 jobs being offered to local residents. They also suggested	

		<p>that during the construction process it is anticipated that a further 30/35 posts would be created.</p> <p>Councillors raised a number of issues during the presentation, these included the effect it would have on the traffic in the area given the problems encountered with the A483, the impact on the environment, the possible issues involving pedestrians and in particular the problems of crossing the A539. Mr. Richards and Ms Gabrilatsou addressed the issues. Mr. Richards advised the meeting that he was in regular contact with Councillor Joan Lowe and would provide the Council with progress reports through her.</p>	
4769	6	<p>Item 6.1 - Police Matters – The Chair welcomed PCSO Emily Blake to the meeting who reported the following crime figures since the last meeting:</p> <p>A.S.B. – 4, 2 involving drunken males, 1 neighbour dispute, 1 involving a youth.</p> <p>Burglary – 3 – 1 residential, 1 business premises and 1 shed.</p> <p>Criminal Damage – 1 Offender has been charged.</p> <p>PCSO Blake also reported that during the same period one person had been charged for drunk driving, one person for driving whilst under the influence of drugs and another vehicle had been seized for having no insurance.</p> <p>She also raised the Council's awareness of keeping vehicle keys safe overnight, not leaving them where they can be easily accessed by car thieves e.g. on worktops in the kitchen, she reported that there has been an increase in the number of break-ins to access car keys especially for specific vehicles.</p> <p>She also drew the Council's attention to the planned Bunny Hunt taking place at the Wynnstay Gates over the Easter weekend.</p> <p>Item 6.2 – Matters Arising – The Clerk reported that the breakdown of the ASB numbers from last month's report were as follows, 5 were committed by adults involving neighbourhood disputes, civil disputes, a person refusing to leave premises, there was one issue involving the Youth Club which PCSO Bellis dealt with. There were no further issues raised by Council, the Chair thanked PCSO Blake for attending</p>	
4770	7	<p>Item 7.1 – Community Agent – The Clerk circulated a written reported from the Community Agent which read as follows:</p> <p>I attended a meeting at Plas Telford-Plas Madoc with the view to working together, giving out information on activities happening at Plas Telford.</p> <p>I attended Blue Badge verification training this will enable me to go to a service user's home to verify their documents for the blue badge application. This service was carried out by Wrexham Include but has been passed on to the Community Agents. I understand Community Agents will be getting referrals from the Wrexham Contact Centre to assist those people who need support in completing their applications.</p> <p>I have been in correspondence with Ruabon Surgery to arrange a meeting date to discuss suitable dates for a 'drop in' session at the surgery.</p> <p>As discussed previously I have been in contact with two bus companies to arrange a half day trip they have provided me with an estimate of the costs, for a 16 seat mini bus it is £230 with Pats Coaches and £200 with Valentines.</p> <p>The Games Group at St Michaels still doing well, Sometimes we play games and sometimes the ladies just want to have a cup of tea and to chat with each other. Ruabon Library invited me to their first Draughts Group, unfortunately no one attended..</p> <p>I received a telephone call from a lady enquiring about the service. We made an appointment for me to visit, on my arrival she explained that she and her husband were finding it difficult to fill in a benefit form, we went through and completed the form together.</p>	

		<p>During the visit the service user disclosed that they are finding things more difficult, especially her husband who struggles with a lot of health issues. I asked if they had had an OT assessment for equipment around the home and they said no. I offered to phone on their behalf and they accepted. I made a referral to the initial response team who marked it as urgent. They were both very grateful for my assistance. This is an example of how I can provide help to those people who need some support.</p> <p>The Lunch Club at the Church hall is still going well, last week they had a talk from the Groundworks Company-Leap. Quite a few people signed up for a free home energy check.</p> <p>I've recently had a referral from a Social Worker for older people, a gentleman wanting information on groups and activities in the area, I will be providing the necessary information and support he may require.</p>	
4771	8	<p>Item 8.0 – Planning Items There were no planning applications for the Council to consider but the Clerk reported that approval had been granted to 40 New Hall Road Ruabon for a rear extension to the property previously considered by the Council.</p>	
4772	9	<p>Item 9.1 - General Correspondence – The Clerk had provided a summary of general correspondence which had been received and was available for Councillors' perusal at the meeting. Councillors then considered and dealt with the correspondence as follows;</p> <p>Item 9.2 - Mr. Rob Pugh – Request for permission to erect a bench in memory of his late wife – Council considered and approved the request.</p> <p>Item 9.3 - Chris Midgley - Built Environment Communications Group – Request to make a presentation to the Council at March meeting – proposed development on Ruabon Business Park site</p> <p>Item 9.4 - W.C.B.C. Adult Social Care – Confirmation of recurrent ICF Funding for the provision of a Community Agent.</p> <p>Item 9.5 - Gaskells Waste Services – Notification of increase in weekly lift rate by £1.80p per visit. (increase from £12.50p to £14.30p) – Council noted and agreed to the increase.</p> <p>Item 9.6 - Welsh Government – Green Paper Consultation on 'Strengthening Local Government: Delivering for people' access via: http://beta.gov.wales/strengthening-local-government-delivering-people.</p> <p>Item 9.7 - One Voice Wales – Training Courses during April 2018.</p> <p>Item 9.8 - Elan City – Radar Speed Signs – sample of design and costs</p> <p>Item 9.9 - Welsh Government – A Parliament for Wales consultation, closing date 6 April 2018. Consultation website: www.assembly.wales/futuresenedd.</p> <p>Item 9.10 - One Voice Wales – AGM on Saturday 29 September 2018, request for member Councils to submit maximum of 2 motions for debate (proposer and seconder must attend the conference).</p> <p>Item 9.11 - Welsh Government – Reminder of Consultation under Public Health Act 2017 Local Toilet Strategies – closing date 4 April 2018. Contact via: http://consultations.gov.uk.wales/consultations/local-toilets-strategies-statutory-guidance-local-authorities.</p> <p>Item 9.12 - Mayor's Parlour – Invitation to Mayor's Charity Evening – Friday 18n May 2018 at 7.30pm at the Ramada Plaza Wrexham. – No nominations received.</p> <p>Item 9.13 – One Voice Wales – Mike Harriman's latest report from the Betsi Cadwaladr Stakeholder's Reference Group.</p> <p>Item 9.14 – W.C.B.C. – Kingsman Securities Monthly report for February 2018</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

4773	10	<p>Item 9.15 – Age Alliance Wales – ‘Have your say’ – Loneliness and Isolation meeting at Acton Resource Centre Monday 9 April.</p> <p>Item 10.1 – Finance Report – The Clerk reported on the following items</p> <p>Item 10.2 – Accounts Payable – A schedule of accounts to be paid was circulated to members for consideration Councillor Joan Lowe proposed and Councillor Ann Davies seconded and the payments were approved by Council.</p> <p>Item 10.3 – Cambrian Credit Union – The Clerk reported that he had received written confirmation that the Union were placing an upper limit of £30k on deposits and providing a 60 day limit in which to take the necessary measures to reduce balances. He also confirmed that he had made enquiries on the level of interest available on deposits with the Co-operative Bank which was 0.3%, but he pointed out that interests with other banks were very similar. No immediate decision was taken on transferring the funds.</p>							
4774	11	<p>Item 11.0 – Confidential Minutes – The Clerk circulated the confidential minutes relating to HR matters, following their review Councillor Joan Lowe proposed, Councillor Ann Davies seconded and Council approved the minutes. It was also agreed that the matters would be referred back to the HR Group to progress further the meeting to take place on Tuesday 3 April.</p>							
4775	12	<p>Item 12.0 - DNM – The next meeting of Full Council will be on Wednesday 25 April 2018 at 7pm.</p> <p>It was also agreed that the Project Group would meet at the Pavilion on Wednesday 11 April at 7.00pm.</p> <p>The Finance Group would meet in the village hall at 7.00pm on Wednesday 18 April followed by the Village Hall Complex Group at 7.45pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.35pm</p> <p>Matters Outstanding:-</p> <table data-bbox="427 1240 1129 1335"> <tr> <td>St. Mary’s Church Walls</td> <td>Japanese Knotweed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Williams Mews</td> <td>Bridge Wall</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Council’s Assets</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	St. Mary’s Church Walls	Japanese Knotweed	Williams Mews	Bridge Wall	Council’s Assets		
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