

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GRESFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT GRESFORD MEMORIAL HALL ON 1ST JULY 2010

Members Present

Councillors A C Bailey, Mrs J Dutton, M J Edwards, M Harriman, C Hollway, M Hughes, J L Jones, and Mrs H Williams

WPS 1495 Dawn Samuels was in attendance

Apology for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs B Blackmore, Mrs S Layhe Mrs M Lightwood, Mrs J MacDonald, M Pritchard, R H Willis. and accepted. Apologies were also received from CBM WPC 2566 Nicola Gaskell PCSO Wendy Harris and PCSO 2850 Scott Noble

280 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2010 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

281 POLICE REPORT

A written report was received, circulated and discussed. Matters of concern were also discussed including cold calling/distraction burglaries, charity bags, speeding on Marford Hill and the present location of the community bike.

282 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

283 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Allington Park and Marford Play Areas

Councillor J Dutton reported on the consultations with the two schools, that a questionnaire had been prepared to elicit responses to the proposals. ***It was agreed***

To obtain details from another company as funders were likely to require three proposals

To make enquiries about obtaining the services of a suitable person, such as a retired play specialist, to assist the Council in project managing the schemes.

The Play Areas Sub-Committee should meet in August to discuss matters with another Contractor and that Councillor Beryl Blackmore and Mrs Margaret Heaton be co-opted onto the Sub-Committee.

Wrexham Deposited Local Development Plan

The Council noted that comments were required by 16th July 2010

284 REPORTS

Councillor M J Edwards reported on the work of Wrexham CBC and mentioned School Transport, local authority accounts, fitness courses and dog fouling.

Councillor A C Bailey reported on the work of IMAGE, including planting up hanging baskets and tubs. He also reported on the last meeting of the Wrexham/Flintshire Area Committee of One Voice Wales

Councillor Mrs. J Dutton reported that she had visited the tree carver in Rossett and details of his work could be found on www.tree-carving.co.uk

Councillor C Hollway

Councillor Hollway referred to the recent incident at Marford Play Area when the seat of the see-saw had been burnt. He expressed his concerns regarding the ever increasing costs to the Council Tax Payers of these wonton acts of vandalism.

285 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Details of planning applications received from the Chief Planning Officer were available for Members and dealt with as follows:

P/2010/0513 – Change of Use to Bike Shop, former Kaybee Doors, 82 Chester Road, Gresford – ***The Community Council would raise no objection to this above application provided that conditions were imposed to restrict the use to the sale of bikes and that such approval would not change the Use Class without further consultation. Also, conditions should be imposed to ensure that there was no noise nuisance or light pollution in this predominantly residential area.***

P/2010/0514 – Erection of 4 No Advertisement Flag Poles, former Kaybee Doors, 82 Chester Road, Gresford – ***The Community Council objected to the above application as flag poles of this height and design were inappropriate and not in keeping with this predominantly residential area. Also, it was likely that they would detract the attention of motorists using the adjoining busy highway and may result in accidents.***

286 FINANCE

The following items were approved for payment

One Voice Wales, Conference Fees	£65.00
Encore Office Systems, Photocopy charges	£51.19
Sparkle Services, Watering tubs & baskets	£105.00
Mr C A Route, Grass cutting and cemetery work, April 2010	£545.00
Mrs M Jones, Salary	NJC Rates
Maurice Paddock, Salary	NJC Rates
HM Revenue and Customs, NI and Tax	PAYE Rates
Wrexham County Borough Council, Plant supplies for baskets & tubs	£380.00
Mrs T Bailey, Supplies for baskets & tubs	£41.25
Playsafety Limited, Annual Inspection	£84.61

It was agreed that an item should be included on the agenda for the meeting in September 2010 relating to Members' Travelling Expenses.

287 CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence that had been received and available for members, was noted or otherwise dealt with as follows:-

One Voice Wales Councillor Training Schedule 2010 – 2011 – ***It was agreed that Members should let the Clerk know if they wished to attend one of the courses two or three days before the cut off date.***

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288 AUGUST RECESS

It was **resolved** that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Clerk should meet on 5th August to consider planning matters or other issues arising during the recess period and that the other Members of the Council should be invited to join them if available.

289 DATE, VENUE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING It was confirmed that next meeting would be held at Marford Community Centre on Thursday, 2nd September 2010 at 7.15 pm

**COUNCILLOR J L JONES,
CHAIRMAN**

.....**Presiding Chairman**

.....**Date**