

## MINUTES OF THE LLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

Held At Park Community Primary School, LLay  
 Date Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2014  
 Time 1830

Name	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
David Broderick Chairperson	√	N	√	√	√							
Dave Adams	A	O	A	√	√							
Bryan Apsley	√		√	√	A							
Sandra Apsley	√	M	√	√	√							
Andrew Boland	A	E	A	A	A							
Terry Boland	√	E	√	√	√							
Paul Crewe	√	T	√	√	√							
Ken Cupit	A	I	√	√	√							
Maldwyn Davies	A	N	√	√	√							
Peter Evans	A	G	√	A	A							
Charles Higgins	√		√	A	A							
Malcolm Taylor	√	H	A	A	A							
Eunice Vincent	√	E	√	√	√							
Vera Wineyard	√	L	√	√	A							
Sheila Woolrich		D		√	√							
Mark Williams (Clerk)	√		√	√	√							

In Attendance: 29 members of the community, Community PCSO

**1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs P Evans, M Taylor, C Higgins, B Apsley, V Wineyard and A Boland.

**2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the October Meeting were accepted as a true record: Proposed by: M Davies Seconded by: D Adams

**3. Public Questions:** Mrs S Roberts asked if members of the Community Council would post their telephone contact details as not everyone had access to computers to utilise e mail addresses currently posted. After discussion it was agreed that this would be done, with Councillors reserving the right to post either home or mobile numbers and addresses if they wished. The Clerk mentioned that a new notice board would shortly be on display outside the resource centre, allowing this information to be available to all.

**4. Matters Arising:** MD asked if there had been any update regarding the Gresford Memorial that was discussed at the last meeting. The Clerk informed all that he had passed on the reply from the Council via e mail and now awaited a formal request for funding assistance. EV elaborated on the situation regarding the job specification for the community agent trial, confirming her thoughts that this was not something LLay CC should pursue at this time. Others spoke in agreement with this decision, which the Chairman has passed on to the organisers. Finally, a

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question was raised regarding the lack of clear white lines on Llay Place Avenue. The Clerk will chase up with the Highways Department, why this area is apparently not covered by WCBC, when it is considered to be their land.

**5. Police Matters:** PCSO Troy Williams gave an overview of the latest crime figures as presented to members present. MD mentioned that there had been some anti social behaviour in the car park area of Alyn Waters lately. The PCSO will investigate this matter on his next late shift. In relation to a recent distraction burglary, TB mentioned that he was aware the alleyway close to where this took place needs clearing and a large gate installed. The PCSO also mentioned that patrols would be stepped up in this area.

### **6. Finance and Appeals:**

The Clerk presented Finance figures for October. These were accepted by all present as correct.

There were a number of appeals for grants. These are shown below, with the amount awarded, after discussions, alongside:-

a.	Llay Senior Citizens Club Christmas Dinner	£250
b.	Llay Clwyd Morris Dancing Club	£200
c.	Pat & Gwens Christmas Village Float	£200
d.	Llay Church Christmas Tree Lights	£50
e.	Park CP School Christmas Activities	£600

There were also a number of Service Level Agreements (SLA's) and Local Schemes to discuss. These were:-

a. **Management and Maintenance of Play Areas** – the only play area within Llay is situated at Alyn Waters. DA suggested that investigation is carried out to ascertain if it would be more cost effective to have a trained volunteer from Llay to maintain and service the equipment. The Clerk will investigate and report back.

b. **Street Lighting SLA** – a brief discussion took place regarding this matter. It was agreed that previous efforts to find a private company to carry out this task had proved more expensive than the arrangements in place with WCBC. Therefore, this agreement would be renewed from April 2015 to March 2016 and the Clerk is to make the necessary arrangements to set up this new SLA.

c. **School Crossing Patrols** – again, a short discussion took place regarding how this vital service had now been passed onto Community Councils to fund, but it was agreed unanimously that it must be renewed and the Clerk will arrange this post haste.

d. **School Holiday Playwork Provision** – This issue was discussed at length and various documents provided by the organisers within WCBC were distributed and analysed. MD felt that it was very expensive, when measured against the actual numbers that are using it. EV, however, felt that, regardless of the small numbers using the scheme, it was still of great importance to those parents that utilised the scheme. In conclusion, after a suggestion from DA, it was agreed unanimously to discuss this matter in December, whilst also finalising the Precept figures to pass onto WCBC. The Clerk will inform the organisers of this decision.

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Finally, some initial discussions took place regarding the Precept to be set for next year. However, this will be discussed in depth, along with budgets, at the December meeting. The Clerk will then forward the agreed figures to WCBC before 31<sup>st</sup> December.

**7. Street Lighting:** Apart from some ongoing issues relating to Mayville Avenue, where a satisfactory outcome is very slow, despite numerous e mails to the correct department, there was nothing else to report.

**8. Planning:** There was one planning application, relating to a café being installed within “Cleopatras” factory on the Llay Industrial Estate. The Clerk was tasked to discover why part of this planning application involved retrospective planning permission.

With regard to Haywards Field, the Chairman raised the issue of some misrepresentation by WCBC regarding disposal of the land. Their view, that it had the support of the Community Council was in direct contrast to the Minutes of the Llay CC in November 2013, which clearly identified that the Community Council were fully against the disposal of the land and also highlighted that they only discovered this proposal through some members reading the Evening Leader.

**9. Burial Matters:** The tree surgeon will now be visiting the Cemetery on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November to carry out a full safety check on all the trees, following the recent falling of branches. This was due to a delay in the arrival of a vital tool to carry out this task. The Cemetery continues to look neat and tidy, as commented on by two Councillors. SW has agreed to carry out the formal inspection during December.

**10. Correspondence:**

There were no items of correspondence to deal with at this meeting.

**11. Reports:** TB mentioned that **speeding** was, once again, becoming an issue in a number of areas around the village. There was some mirth, when recalling the most recent speed trap, situated on a roundabout, was mentioned. TB will take up this matter with the local Police. TB also mentioned the possibility of a huge **housing development on Gresford Road**. Whilst he had strong views regarding this matter, he was prepared to wait, along with the rest of the Council, for formal planning applications to be made. It was agreed by all that if planning is applied for, this matter would require a special meeting to discuss in full. TB also mentioned that he was aware that AVOW had been funding some form of **outdoor activities** (starting fires) within the Rockery Gardens. This was generally agreed to be a bad idea and TB will take this matter forward. He explained that funding for this type of activity was available through AVOW as Llay was regarded as an area of some deprivation. MD raised the thorny issue of **Foregolf**, and in particular, the state of the road through the village, being caused by large trucks moving earth on a daily basis. He had yet to understand the purpose of this disruption, other than the large sums of money being earned by those involved, and also wanted to still know why a “clean wheel” system could not be installed before the vehicles took to the road. TB stated he was meeting with the company in the next couple of days and would report back.

There being no further business, Standing Orders were moved, seconded and agreed and the meeting closed at 1943. The date and time of the next meeting is:

**MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER at 1830**

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Signed:.....

Mr D Broderick  
Chairman  
15<sup>TH</sup> December 2014