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CEFN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT GEORGE EDWARDS
HALL AND ZOOM ON
Tuesday 28th April 2026 commencing at 6.45 pm
Chair:P Vaughan

164. PRESENT Councillors: Mrs H Brimfield, Mrs S Benbow-Jones, Mrs K Tiltman, D Metcalfe, Mrs D Parry, Mrs S Matthews, Mrs P Roberts, P Blackwell, Mrs S Mills, Mrs J Jones, Mrs K Witherden, Mrs I Twigg. Also, Clerk Mrs T Nicholls-Smith and Community Development Officer/Minute taker Mr A. Ruscoe.

Via Zoom Platform: Councillors, D Wright & Mrs G Wright

165. APOLOGIES

N/A

166. TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Derek Wright declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 18, Planning.

167. PUBLIC QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS

N/A

168. TO RECEIVE ANY POLICE CORRESPONDENCE



Local Report for the area of: Cefn Mawr, Rhosymedre, Newbridge, WRW24 and Plas Madoc, Acrefair WRW25

Person Providing Report: PCSO Sarah Clark-Lewis

Date of Report: 04/04/2026

Cefn Mawr, Rhosymedre, Newbridge

	BURGLARY DWELLING	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	SERIOUS VIOLENCE	SEXUAL OFFENCES	ASB	Arson	CRIMINAL DAMAGE
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Number of Incidents (01/03/26-31/03/26)	1	6	3	3	10	0	5
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Plas Madoc, Acrefair

	BURGLARY DWELLING	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	SERIOUS VIOLENCE	SEXUAL OFFENCES	ASB	Arson	CRIMINAL DAMAGE
Number of Incidents (01/03/26-31/03/26)	0	5	2	0	4	0	2

Incidents of Note		
Crime Reference Number	Date	Brief Circumstances
26000167852	01/03/26	CM: Attempted Burglary Dwelling: Victim reported that she believed that someone had tried getting via the back door however no entry gained
26000168283	01/03/26	CM: Sexual Assault: Victim has reported that suspect has tried to touch her inappropriately
26000172821	03/03/26	CM: Criminal Damage: Suspect has thrown bricks/debris at his windows causing damage
26000176615	04/03/26	CM: Criminal Damage: suspect has thrown brick through vehicle's back window
26000175084	04/03/26	PM: Victim reporting damage to her vehicle sometime overnight
26000182079	06/03/26	CM: Causing or inciting the sexual exploitation: Unknown suspect has sent videos online
26000186735	08/03/26	PM: Sec. 47 Assault: Domestic Related
26000189476	09/03/26	PM: Sec. 47 Assault: Domestic Related
26000191127	09/03/26	PM: Criminal Damage: Domestic Related
26000191085	09/03/26	CM: Sec. 47 Assault: Victim states they have been picked up by the arm causing bruising
26000207112	14/03/26	CM: Sec. 47 Assault: Intoxicated persons have hit victim in the face with ladder. Suspect arrested
26000208439	15/03/26	CM: Criminal Damage: Vehicle has been covered with paint stripper
26000208388	15/03/26	CM: Sexual Assault: Suspect has touched victim inappropriately
26000211384	16/03/26	CM: Sec. 47 Assault: Victim has sustained bruising to face after being assaulted at work
26000233159	23/03/26	CM: Criminal Damage: Informant reports that youths have damaged the fence at the location
26000233176	23/03/26	CM: Criminal Damage: Unknown offenders have been chasing sheep around the field and have broken the fence by kicking it, value not yet known.

Additional Information
<p>3 PRIORITIES</p> <p>1. Increased Police Patrols and Monitoring at Plas Kynaston MUGA, particularly during football matches and peak times of antisocial behaviour.</p> <p>2. Continued Speed Enforcement Checks on Queen Street.</p> <p>3. Ongoing Monitoring and Engagement at Ty Mawr, to address continuing concerns and reported incidents.</p>

Ward	Completed Activity/Engagement
Cefn Mawr	Bike Marking at the Library 18/03/26 15:00-16:00

Ward	Future Planned Activity

Feedback or Questions for Next Meeting

If there are any issues or queries with this report, please write them here and send the report back to us.

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Resolved: The Council acknowledged the report and expressed concern regarding the rise in domestic abuse within the community.

169. TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY AGENT REPORT FOR APRIL 2026

- Cefn -
- Rhosymedre – 2
- Acrefair –
- Newbridge –
- Plas Madoc – 3

Good evening, everyone, I hope you are all doing well.

Firstly, I would like to let you know that the Warm Space grant has now come to an end, I have spoken to the ladies about possibly continuing to have a light lunch if they contribute towards the cost of ingredients. Some are happy to do this, but others feel it would be too expensive, especially as they already pay for taxis to attend.

Walking football is still going ahead, although attendance has been quite low. It's a shame, but at least Andrew and I have given it a go.

My cinema club at Plas Telford continues to be very popular and is held once a month.

Since my sister moved to Plas Telford, I have been receiving more referrals, which is positive. However, it also means that even on my days off, when I visit, many people approach me for help. Because of this, I am considering introducing a weekly drop-in session for an hour to offer support in a more structured way.

My spring event at George Edwards Hall is proving very popular, with 63 tickets already sold. If anyone would like to donate a prize for any other upcoming events, I would be very grateful.

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Warm regards,
Donna Thornley
Community Agent

Resolved: The Council acknowledged the report and once again commended the Community Agent for her continued community engagement.

170. CLERKS REPORT

170.1 The Clerk reported that the May litter pick was being considered for Wednesday, 13th May 2026, and asked Members to agree a suitable location.

Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed that the May litter pick would take place in Cefn Mawr on Wednesday, 13th May 2026, 10am at the Plaskynaston MUGA.

170.2 The Clerk reported that works on the Ty Mawr Bike Track were due to commence on Tuesday, 5th May 2026, with a launch event scheduled to take place on Thursday, 28th May 2026.

Resolved: The Council noted the update regarding the commencement of works and the planned launch event for the Ty Mawr Bike Track.

170.3 The Clerk reported that an email had been circulated to Members advising that Mr Ruscoe would be leaving the Council on Friday, 12th June 2026, to pursue new opportunities and his passion for Futsal. The Clerk stated that Andrew would be a hard act to follow and, due to the timescales involved, requested that delegated powers be granted to the Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk to begin the process of employing a replacement. The Clerk further advised that a Staffing Committee meeting would be arranged as soon as possible.

The Community Development Officer thanked everyone for his time in post, and he will miss the Community Council.

Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed to grant delegated powers to the Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk to commence the process of employing a replacement, with a Staffing Committee meeting to be arranged as soon as possible.

171. CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

(a) To confirm the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 24th March 2026

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 24th March 2026 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman at the earliest opportunity.

(b) To confirm the minutes of the Development Committee Meeting held on 7th April 2026

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Development Committee Meeting held on 7th April 2026 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman at the earliest opportunity.

172. TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEVELOPMENT MEETING AS LISTED IN THE MINUTES

To confirm the recommendations of the Development Committee Meeting held on 7th April 2026

RESOLVED: Members unanimously approved the recommendations as listed of the Development Committee Meeting, all members were in favour

173. TO DISCUSS & APPROVE SOLAR LIGHT INSTALLATION AT GWYNANT (DEFERRED FROM MARCH 2026)

The Clerk reported that the installation of a new light at Gwynant had previously been considered by the Community Council. It was noted that the Council had initially explored the possibility of sourcing a combined wind turbine and solar-powered lighting unit; however, the Clerk advised that a suitable unit could not be sourced, the lighting contractor had reported the one which could be purchased does not come with any warranty. Following a discussion, members considered the alternative option of installing solar light for the area. It was agreed that this would provide a suitable lighting solution for Gwynant. The cost is £2250 ***Resolved: The Council agreed to approve the supply and installation of a Nano solar light at Gwynant at a cost of £2250 .***

174. TO DISCUSS MUGA AREA AT GWYNANT (DEFERRED FROM MARCH 2026)

The Clerk reported that complaints had been received from residents regarding balls hitting windows and entering private gardens from the MUGA area at Gwynant.

The Clerk advised that preventative measures had been explored; however, Wrexham County Borough Council had rejected any preventative measures being installed at the site. It was further reported that Wrexham County Borough Council had asked whether residents would consider installing preventative measures within their own gardens, with any associated costs potentially falling to the Community Council.

Members were also advised that the alternative option would be to relocate the MUGA, which would require the Community Council to purchase and fund the relocation works.

Following the discussion, Members agreed that the Community Council would not pursue the matter further at this stage. It was agreed that any further complaints regarding this issue should be redirected to Wrexham County Borough Council. ***Resolved: The Council agreed not to proceed with preventative measures or relocation of the MUGA at Gwynant, and that any further complaints received should be referred to Wrexham County Borough Council.***

175. TO DISCUSS & APPROVE REPAIR TO PLAY AREA EQUIPMENT AT DOLYDD LANE PLAY PARK UPDATE

The Clerk reported that Wrexham County Borough Council had advised that the Community Council could seek its own quotations for the repair works required at Dolydd Lane Play Park. However, Members were informed that the replacement parts required could only be obtained from Sutcliffe Play. The Clerk advised that the cost of the parts was £1,639.23, with an additional labour cost of £98.00.

Following the discussion, Members agreed that the necessary repairs should be carried out via Wrexham County Borough Council to ensure the play area equipment remained safe and suitable for public use. ***Resolved: The Council approved the repair of the play area equipment at Dolydd Lane Play Park, with the works to be carried out via Wrexham County Borough Council, at a cost of £1,639.23 for parts and £98.00 for labour.***

176. TO DISCUSS & RECEIVE QUOTATION FOR URGENT REPAIRS AT MUGA GROUND PLAS KYNASTON LANE (DEFERRED FROM MARCH 2026)

The Clerk reported that urgent repair works were required at the Plaskynaston MUGA, particularly within the changing room area, where the flooring had become rotten and required replacement.

The Clerk advised that discussions had taken place with Cefn Albion FC Chairman, Mr Thomas Evans, regarding the required repairs. Members were informed that a handrail was required for the steps, measuring approximately 1.2 metres in distance. Mr Evans recommended that galvanised key clamps be used to construct the handrails, similar to scaffolding, as a more suitable and robust option.

The Clerk presented the following quotation details:

- **Supply and installation of handrails: £2,000**
Estimated market value: £3,800
- **Land drainage works, including excavations: £1,500**
Estimated market value: £4,500
- **New flooring within the changing room area: £3,000**
Estimated market value: £3,500

The total quoted cost for the works was therefore £6,500, compared with an estimated market value of £11,800.

Following discussion, the Full Council agreed that the works were necessary and recommended that the quotation be approved. However, Members agreed that the works should be guaranteed for a period of 5 years.

Resolved: The Council approved the quotation for urgent repairs at the Plaskynaston MUGA, Plas Kynaston Lane, at a total cost of £6,500, covering handrail installation, land drainage works and replacement flooring, subject to the works being guaranteed for a period of 5 years. It was further resolved that the Council write to Tesco to request a financial contribution towards drainage improvements, due to concerns that water from Tesco's drainage system is contributing to flooding on the pitch. £3000 to be used from the War Memorial account to contribute to the remedial works.

178. TO ALLOW DELEGATED POWERS TO CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND CLERK REGARDING PRIDE IN PLACE APPLICATION

The Clerk reported that a draft Pride in Place application had been prepared and presented to Members, together with the consultation results received.

Members were advised that the consultation had taken place via the Council's website, where members of the public were invited to provide feedback, and through consultation with local school children.

The Clerk explained that the application would focus on improvements to the George Edwards Hall and the Plaskynaston MUGA, with the aim of supporting wider community use and improving local facilities.

Following discussion, Members agreed that delegated powers should be granted to the Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk to progress, finalise and submit the Pride in Place application on behalf of the Council. ***Resolved: The Council agreed to grant delegated powers to the Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk to progress, finalise and submit the Pride in Place application, with the application focusing on the George Edwards Hall and the Plaskynaston MUGA.***

179. MONTHLY ACCOUNTS

ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT 28th APRIL 2026

EXPENDITURE

Wages/Sal from (month 12) – Staff 7630.67

Invoices Received During Mar/April 26

Invoice No

INV NO	CHQ NO	RETR O	FROM	£
25/255	BACS	Y	WCBC - Fee for licence for boxing tournament	21.00
25/256	BACS	Y	Hafren Dyfrdwy - Invoice for cemetery	115.75
25/257	BACS	Y	D Evans Catering - Invoice for Comm Agent (WS Grant)	187.00
25/258	BACS	Y	Invoice for Comm Agent (WS Grant)	378.11
25/259	BACS	Y	Comm Agent - Invoice for Storage Cabinet	179.99
25/260	BACS	Y	Comm Agent - Invoice for supplies (WS Grant)	509.16
25/261	BACS	Y	Peter Green Groundcare - Invoice for Trefynant Cemetery Maintenance	1251.00
25/262	BACS	Y	Peter Green Groundcare - Invoice for Play Area Maintenance	732.00
25/263	BACS	Y	Steve Pugh - Invoice for gravedigging	225.00
25/264	BACS	Y	Azets - Invoice for 6 months payroll	315.00
25/265	BACS	Y	ACS Technology - Invoice for Community Development Officer IT	19.70
25/266	BACS	Y	ACS Technology - Invoice for Office IT	166.50
25/267	BACS	Y	TMNS - Expenses for March/April (LGA 1972 sect 112) -	32.89
25/268	BACS	Y	Hallam Heating - Invoice for GE Hall	631.22
25/269	DD	Y	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall	286.40
25/270	DD	Y	British Gas - Invoice for GE Hall	473.72
25/271	106818		Flintshire County Council - Invoice for added years	293.10
25/272	BACS		Mega Electrical - Invoice for repairs	948.80
26/001	BACS	Y	Huws Gray - Invoice for Plas Kynaston	276.78
26/002	106816		PHS Group - Invoice for GE Hall	48.00
26/003	106817		PHS Group - Invoice for GE Hall	393.25
26/004	BACS		Splash Community Trust - Invoice for football Tournament	470.10
26/005	BACS		TMNS - Expenses for April (LGA 1972 sect 112) -	107.29
26/006	BACS		Community Agent - Invoice for supplies (Tesco grant)	120.37

Invoices Received During Feb/Mar 26

HMRC Tax & NI 2128.60
Clwyd Pension Fund 1403.50

CSA Payment	411.19
HSBC	7.25
WCBC Refuse Monthly DD	55.37
WCBC Refuse Monthly DD (Trefynant)	136.00
	<u>£</u>

Income

WCBC Grant Ty Mawr Bike Track	9980.00
Tesco Stores (Rec666)	6250.00
WCBC Precept	69,987.67

Burial

Marcher Stone (Rec667)	180.00
S Price Memorials (Rec669)	60.00
Tilstons Funeral Directors (Rec675)	440.00
Roberts Funeral Directors (Rec679)	410.00

GE Hall

Slimming World (rec665)	384.30
Community Wellness Grp (Rec668)	535.00
Cefn Historical Soc (Rec670)	29.00
Canal & River Trust (Rec676)	247.00
WCBC (Rec677)	198.00
D Davies (Rec674)	124.86
Phantasmagoria Film (Rec673)	29.00
G Langford (Rec672)	104.40
Slimming World (Rec671)	384.07
Young Carers (Rec678)	40.50
WCBC Chatterbox (Rec680)	185.00

Interest

Business Money Manager 13.03.26	101.49
	<u>£89670.29</u>

Resolved: That the listed payments be approved.

180. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence Received During March/April 26:

Bolded items are recommended to be noted by the Chairman:

1		<p>WCBC - Email re: Community Agent Project (Clerk to report) The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from WCBC regarding the Community Agent Project. The email explained that no staff would be transferred over and confirmed that the current contract would finish in March 2027. It was further noted that the Community Agent role would be discussed later in the year.Resolved: The Council duly noted the report.</p>
2		<p>Clwyd Pension Fund - Email re: Contribution Requirements The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from Clwyd Pension Fund regarding contribution requirements. It was confirmed that the contribution rate had increased to 15.1% for the period from April 2026 to 2029.Resolved: The Council duly noted the report.</p>
3		<p>Llangollen Eisteddfod & Wrexham Sounds - Request for financial assistance The Clerk reported that a request for financial assistance had been received from Llangollen Eisteddfod and Wrexham Sounds.Resolved: The Council agreed that</p>

		<i>the request for financial assistance be deferred and moved to December 2026 for further consideration.</i>
4		WCBC - Email re: Monthly City Centre events listing The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from WCBC regarding the monthly City Centre events listing. <i>Resolved: The Council duly noted the correspondence.</i>
5		WCBC - Email re: Wrexham Active Travel Network Map review The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from WCBC regarding the Wrexham Active Travel Network Map review. It was noted that residents had been invited to provide feedback as part of the review process and that a link had been made available for residents to submit their comments. <i>Resolved: The Council duly noted the correspondence and the availability of the feedback link.</i>
6		WCBC - Email re: Local Development Plan 2013-2028 formally withdrawn The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from WCBC confirming that the Local Development Plan 2013–2028 had been formally withdrawn as of 20th March 2026. The Clerk further offered the relevant link to all Councillors for their information. <i>Resolved: The Council duly noted the correspondence.</i>
7		Menter Flint Wrecsam - Email re: Survey for Welsh Language Profile The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from Menter Flint a Wrecsam regarding a survey for the Welsh Language Profile. It was noted that the profile had not been updated for the last several years. <i>Resolved: The Council duly noted the correspondence.</i>
8		ROSPA - Email re: Notification of Plas Kynaston Play Area Inspection The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from ROSPA regarding the annual inspection of Plas Kynaston Play Area. It was noted that the inspection would take place in June 2026 at a cost of £83.00, with the inspection report expected to be received in July 2026 outlining any works required. <i>Resolved: The Council duly noted the correspondence.</i>
9		Resident - Email re: Trefynant Cemetery (Clerk to Report) The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from a resident requesting approval for the installation of a full black granite slab over a grave at Trefynant Cemetery. The resident had also provided a photograph of the grave area for Members’ consideration. The Clerk advised that, although the Council’s Rules and Regulations did not permit this, Members noted that similar installations had already taken place within the cemetery and that the relevant rules had not been consistently enforced since 2019. <i>Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed to approve the resident’s request for the installation of a full black granite slab, on the basis that similar installations were already present within the cemetery and the rules had not been consistently enforced.</i>
10		WCBC - Email re: Dog Fouling 'Design a sign' Competition The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from WCBC regarding the Dog Fouling ‘Design a Sign’ Competition and a request for the information to be shared. Members noted that the Council had already hosted a similar activity as part of the #StayOnSide Project. <i>Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed to write back to WCBC advising that Cefn Community Council had already delivered this type of initiative as part of the #StayOnSide Project.</i>

11		<p>WCBC Mayor - Email re: End of Year Charity Ball invite</p> <p>The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from the WCBC Mayor regarding an invitation to the End of Year Charity Ball. Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed that the invitation be passed to the Chair to attend, with payment to be made from the Chairman's Purse.</p>
12		<p>WCBC - Email re: Erection of camera on Columns within community</p> <p>The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from WCBC regarding the erection of cameras on columns within the community. The Clerk confirmed that the cameras would only capture traffic data, which was also confirmed by Councillor Paul Blackwell. Resolved: The Council agreed and gave permission for the cameras to be erected as per the request from WCBC.</p>
13		<p>Resident - Email re: Concern regarding speeding and traffic on Chapel Street during Road Closure</p> <p>The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from a resident raising concerns regarding speeding and traffic on Chapel Street during the period of the road closure due to gas works.</p> <p>Councillor Stella Matthews explained that she had been engaged with the resident regarding the matter and that Tesco had been informed not to travel down Chapel Street. A video had also been provided showing a Tesco wagon travelling along the road, evidencing the hazards and concerns raised. Resolved: The Council duly noted the resident's concerns and agreed that the matter be referred to WCBC for consideration and any appropriate action to be taken and to re-inforce with TESCO the alternative route in place .</p>

181. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DURING MARCH/APRIL 2026

Planning Applications

Councillor Derek Wright left the meeting via zoom

P/2026/0061

Erection of Dwelling with detached garage
Land South of Penrallt, Russell Street, Cefn Mawr

Resolved: The Council had no observations/objections regarding the application.

P/20260165

Outline application for the erection of up to 34 dwellings
(appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved)
Land at Bethania Road, Acrefair.

The Council considered planning application P/2026/0165 for the outline application for the erection of up to 34 dwellings on land at Bethania Road, Acrefair, with appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved.

The Clerk reported that a letter of objection had been received from a resident. Members considered the concerns raised and agreed that further clarification was required regarding highway safety, the suitability and safety of the road network, pedestrian safety for school children, and whether land contamination remained present on the site.

Members also noted previous concerns regarding the history of the land, including former landfill use, possible contamination, traffic impact, access arrangements and the potential impact on local schools and infrastructure.

Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed to support the resident's objection and to formally submit an objection to WCBC regarding highway safety, school and pedestrian safety, traffic impact, land contamination and the overall suitability of the site for residential development.

P/2025/0390

Conversion of existing commercial building and outbuildings into 16 no. one and two-bedroom apartments and associated external works
Wheatsheaf Workshops, High Street,
Rhosymedre, Wrexham, LL14 3YE

The Council considered the amended plans received in relation to planning application P/2025/0390. A Lengthy discussion followed ***Resolved: The Council unanimously agreed that the same objections raised at the Full Council meeting in May 2025, which were subsequently sent to Wrexham Council, should remain unchanged. The Council further agreed to add that the substantial under-provision of parking spaces remained a serious concern due to the potential for increased congestion in the surrounding area.***

180.REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

Councillor Derek Wright returned to the meeting via Zoom

Councillors discussed matters relating to signage on heritage buildings, issues with litter bins being removed and not returned in situ or relocated appropriately, and numerous complaints received regarding the condition of Crane Street.

Members also gave thanks for the support being provided towards the Carnival Queen Event, and it was noted that the Clerk had been asked to act as one of the judges.

Members gave thanks to the Community Development Officer for his work and contribution to the Council and the wider community, noting that he would be missed. The Council expressed a wish to explore whether there may be a way to retain some form of involvement with the Community Development Officer moving forward. The Community Development Officer confirmed that he would continue to help where he could.

The Community Development Officer further reported that a discussion between Cefn Community Council and The New Saints was on the agenda, to explore whether a future collaboration could take place which would allow continued engagement within the community and provide benefit to local schools.

Members also gave praise to the NEWFA Primary Schools Futsal League being held at Plas Madoc Leisure Centre and noted the positive impact it was having on local schools and young people.

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed.