

Is-y-coed Community Council Draft Minutes (April 2025,)

Details of some items discussed at the Meeting held on 15th April 2025 at the Is-y-coed Village Hall.

Matters Arising:

1. **Isycoed Community Agent** – the Clerk reported that the post is being re advertised by AVOW after the previous agent had left his role.

2. **FI** – confirmation that the lights have now been re-angled to avoid dazzling motorists.

Cheshire Run Issues - The meeting was attended by Mr Kerry Williams, Head of Environment at WCBC. He confirmed that there had been several complaints from residents following the last Cheshire Run. His dept had safety concerns over the lack of satisfactory traffic management for the last event and the use of unqualified volunteers. He would not be supportive of any further applications to hold events of this nature and no permissions have been given.

St Pauls Primary School - The Community Council have been invited to appoint a representative onto the new Governing Body. The Clerk will consult with the Chairman to appoint a community representative on behalf of the Community Council.

Village Hall

a) Bookings: The Clerk updated members on bookings and enquiries received. It has been confirmed that the National Eisteddfod Committee will be taking a block booking for the Village Hall for the duration of the Eisteddfod in August. It was agreed not to pursue the use of the field behind the village hall for caravan parking during the Eisteddfod week due to practical issues.

Planning Applications: P/2025/0110 -Net World Sports, Bryn Lane, Wrexham Ind. Estate, Erection of Industrial Facility (CLASS B2) Resolved - Noted this application is in retrospect - no objections
P/2025/0313 - Lower Oak Farm, Oak Road, Wrexham Ind. Estate, Erection of Replacement Outbuilding Resolved - No objection to ancillary use to main dwelling but there should be no separate business use.

P/2025/0321 - Lower Farm, Bowling Bank, Wrexham, LL13 9RY, Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Permission P/2021/0604 To Amend Design Resolved - No objection

Planning Correspondence: The following pre-application consultations were considered and noted:

1. From Carter Jonas - to construct an ecological network around Wrexham Ind Estate
2. From FI Real Estate Management – proposed green eco-heritage zone and single employment unit at the Oaks Site, Oak Rd. It was noted that the proposed land is an important ecological site and does not lie within the Industrial Settlement limit.

Correspondence The following correspondence was received and noted:

1. Wales Air Ambulance - On behalf of our pilots, medical team and staff at Wales Air Ambulance, I would like to thank you for your donation of £50.00 on 03/03/2025. Your support will enable us to deliver advanced medical care to people across Wales, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
2. One Voice Wales – info on training dates. Circulated by email, if any Cllr wishes to join a training session please contact the Clerk
4. One Voice Wales - Wales and VE Day 80 – circulated by email.
5. Cllr Beverley Parry-Jones Armed Forces Champion WCBC -80th Anniversary of VE Day – Invite for ICC to send 2 representatives to the Church Service and Parade 8th May at 12.30 p.m.
6. Llangollen International Eisteddfod – request for funding

VE Day Celebrations An update was given by the Clerk on preparations for VE Day celebrations on the 8th May. The Clerk will consult with the Chairman on his return, on a timetable of events for the day, to be included in the next edition of 'The Issue' and also on the website.

Members reports The Clerk had been invited to meet the manager of the new 'Hotel Wrexham' on Holt Rd along with Cllr Mike Morris. He is keen to forge links with the Isycoed Community and had invited the Isycoed Community Hub to also visit the hotel for one of their Thursday sessions.

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Thank you to The Williams Family for sponsoring this month's Issue in memory of their mum Mairwen.

EDITORIAL

The **Fish Fry van** will be back in the Village Hall car park for VE Day celebrations from 4.30pm till late on Thursday 8th May. (Please see the insert supplied by Is-y-coed Community Council)

The **Community Hub** continues to be very popular for all ages and the dates this month are 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th May from 10am to 2pm. All are welcome to call in for coffee, refreshments and a chat.

Don't forget that **Wrexham Mobile Library Service** will be at the Village Hall on Thursday 1st May and on Thursday 29th May from 11am to midday.

Congratulations to St Paul's School, Head Teacher Emma Jones, all staff and pupils for the recent **amazing School Report** following the Estyn School Inspection. This Report celebrates Growth and Excellence at the School. [Go to St Paul's School News for details of how to access the Report.](#)

ST PAUL'S CHURCH SERVICES and NEWS

Sunday 4th May **No Service** – Afternoon Tea 3pm at the Village Hall.

Sunday 11th May 11am Morning Worship.

Sunday 18th May 11am Morning Worship.

Sunday 25th May Rogation Sunday Walk 3pm.

Sunday 1st June 11am Morning Worship

ST PAUL'S SCHOOL NEWS

5th May – School closed for Bank Holiday.

20th May – Year 5 will take part in cycle training.

21st May – Year 6 will take part in cycle training.

23rd May – Break up for half term.

2nd June – School reopens.

We raised £278.50 at our Easter Bingo!

Every Friday in May we will be holding family cooking sessions. Each week families can prepare and take away a meal.

Message from Head Teacher Emma Jones "We are delighted to share and are incredibly proud of our **Estyn Inspection Report** which reflects the fabulous work of our staff and most importantly our amazing children". Access the full report via <https://estyn.gov.wales/app/uploads/2025/04/Parents-and-carers-inspection-report-St-Pauls-Voluntary-Aided-Primary-School-2025.pdf>

Deadline for the June Issue is Sunday 25th May. Please notify Rachel Bellis (660275) or Marian Hughes (01829 272325) or e-mail marianhug13@outlook.com with all your news, birthdays, fundraising and other social events.

NEWS/EVENTS

Erlas Victorian Walled Garden - We're Hiring!

Are you passionate about making a difference in people's lives while working in a beautiful, working garden setting?

Erlas Victorian Walled Garden is looking for a compassionate and enthusiastic Garden Support Worker to join our dedicated team. You'll be helping adults with additional needs to enjoy meaningful, hands-on work in the garden — supporting confidence, independence, and wellbeing.

If you enjoy being outdoors, working as part of a team, and making a real impact every day, we'd love to hear from you. Closing date is 10am on Monday 19th May with job interviews taking place on

Friday 23rd May. For full details about the role and how to apply

phone 01978 265058 or email administrator@erlas.org for an application pack.

Wrexham Grove Park Theatre

The next production is 'Lovesong' which is a powerful and moving exploration of love's resilience. The play runs from 20th to 24th May, with evening performances starting at 7.30pm and the Saturday matinee at 2pm. Book online at www.grovetheatre.co.uk or telephone 01978 351091.

Erddig Events in May

Spring-Focused Photography Walk

Join us for a spring-focused photography walk in the beautiful Grade I listed gardens of Erddig. Guided by our expert photography volunteers, you'll develop new skills and techniques while capturing the garden's vibrant May blooms and seasonal highlights.

On May 21, we're offering two sessions, from 11am to 12pm or 1pm to 2pm. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced photographer, this is a great opportunity to refine your skills, connect with fellow photography enthusiasts and experience the garden at its springtime best.

This event is free, but normal admission charges apply for the venue. Please bring a digital camera or phone, wear sturdy footwear or walking boots and dress appropriately for the weather, including waterproofs if needed.

May Half Term Activities

From 26 May to 1 June, celebrate the beauty of our gardens and the dedicated gardeners who bring them to life. Wander through our Grade I-listed garden, where vibrant borders and seasonal displays burst into colour.

Join our expert gardening team on 26 and 27 May from 11am to 3pm for border sowing sessions. Little green fingers will love picking up a watering can or spade to help sow wildflowers in the garden borders. Return this summer to see how your gardening efforts have blossomed. Meet us at the Cottage Border near the Victorian Glass Houses.

Unleash your creativity in our upcycle and sow sessions on 28th and 29th May from 11am to 3pm. Turn tins and bottles into plant pots, then plant basil seeds to take home. Wear clothes suitable for messy play! Meet our friendly volunteers at the Education Room. This event is free but normal admission charges apply. National Trust members and under 5s enter for free.

As you wander through the formal gardens, keep an eye out for our fork stations around the grounds. Each station shares fascinating historical facts, seasonal tips and handy gardening advice from our experts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy birthday wishes to:

Georgia Worsnop will be 17 on 7th May

Rebecca and Katie Flann will be 14 on 9th May

Anna Edwards : 26th May

Laura Jones : 29th May

And to all those who celebrate their birthdays this month

Best Wishes for a speedy recovery to Linda Parnell after her recent operation.

Afternoon Tea at Is-y-coed Village Hall

This popular fund-raising event for St Paul's Church will be held from 3pm at the Village Hall on Sunday 4th May. Tickets cost £12.50 and are available from Rachel Bellis (660275).

Bellis's Country Market Events

Cheshire Candles Car Run 2025

The Glorious 9th Cheshire Candles Charity Classic Car Run is being held on Sunday 11th May 2025, in support of Wingate Centre who support children with learning difficulties

Our site opens 08:15am for registration with CARS ON VIEW TO THE PUBLIC FROM 9AM.

With a 10am start from Bellis Country Market in Holt to Cholmondeley Castle, Malpas. More details are available on www.candlesrun.co.uk.

Artisan Craft & Gift Market

Free admission to the marquee which will be open from Friday 16th to Sunday 18th May and selling a wide selection of quality handmade local crafts and unusual giftware from around the world. These include jewellery, candles, soaps, paintings, textile creations, children's author artwork, nuts & olives, sweets, handmade cards, ladies fashion, concrete garden ornaments and lots more. Also featuring Birds of Prey! Open times are Friday/Saturday 10am to 4.30pm and Sunday 11am to 4pm.

Chirk Castle Half Term Events

This May half-term, join us at Chirk Castle as we shine a spotlight on one of the countryside's most iconic and much-loved birds - the curlew. At Home Farm, discover a vibrant display of children's artwork from the parade. Families can also enjoy an interactive installation that brings the curlew's story to life and listen out for the curlew's distinctive bubbling call.

On Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th May don't miss storytelling sessions with Jake the Storyteller at the following times:-

11-11.30am, 12-12.30, 1.00-1.30 and 2.00-2.30pm. Gather the family for magical tales of birds great and small, from the soaring majesty of eagles to the playful charm of robins, these magical tales will spark imaginations and bring the sky to life in the heart of the castle grounds.

And there's even more to enjoy in the gardens, with fun outdoor games and activities to keep young explorers busy throughout the holiday.

This event is free, but normal admission charges apply for the venue. Head to the ticket office on the day, and our team will guide you to the storytelling location. Go to chirkcastle@nationaltrust.org.uk for more information.

VE DAY 80 COMMEMORATIVE EVENT – 8TH MAY AT THE
ISYCOED VILLAGE HALL



Come along and join us – all residents welcome.

8th May at the Isycoed Village Hall.

Church Bells to be rung at 6.30pm.

Beacon to be lit at 7.30pm

Join in with singing 'I Vow to Thee my Country'

Fish and Chip van on the car park,
light refreshments available from Village Hall.

Organised on behalf of the residents of Isycoed

by

Isycoed Community Council