

## Is-y-coed Community Council Draft Minutes (September 2025)

Details of some items discussed at the Council Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at the Is-y-coed Village Hall.

### Matters Arising:

1. Members were all in agreement that the National Eisteddfod, which had been held in the community from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> of August, had been a great success. It had been very well attended, helped by the good weather which drew the crowds out. The organisation of the event could not be faulted and during the week very few issues arose. Thanks were extended to the National Eisteddfod Committee for all their help and support during the planning phase and the event itself.
2. The management at Hotel Wrexham were thanked for their hospitality when the Community Hub visited the hotel for their weekly meeting in July. Everyone had been made very welcome and it was hoped to return for a Christmas function in December.
3. Speed Cyclists – the Clerk reported that the management for the speed cycling races had apologised for any issues caused in the community. There were no more planned races this year and an alternative route would be implemented next year to prevent any further problems.
4. It was noted that there had been a report in the last edition of the Issue that the Helena Tipping race would take place on 14<sup>th</sup> September. However following issues from the last race held in the community, the race had not received approval by WCBC Highways and it was unable to take place.

### Village Hall

Members were updated on hall bookings. A smart meter is to be installed on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. It was agreed to purchase a free-standing projector screen on a stand, a replacement toaster, 2 x electric hand driers for the toilets.

### Planning Applications

There were no Planning Applications received. Members were updated on the planning appeal decision for land at Park Farm, Bowling Bank concerning a breach of planning control and change of use of the land from use for agriculture to a mixed use of agriculture and the parking and operating of HGV's. Subject to amendments to the enforcement notice the appeals are dismissed and the enforcement notice is upheld.

### Correspondence

**a) Wrexham Area Civic Society Awards 2025 - The Ruth Howarth Award.** An award made for a significant contribution to Wrexham's environment or quality of life, not necessarily a building or landscape. Recent winners have included Wrexham Cemetery restoration, Wrexham Building Art Project, Wrexham Miners' Rescue Centre – it was agreed to nominate the Community Hub for this award for the invaluable work they do for members of the community.

**b) Welsh Government Consultation on extending the duty on local authorities to broadcast meetings.** The purpose of this consultation is to seek views on extending the duty on local authorities to broadcast meetings. Although it does not directly affect Community and Town Councils, it is an opportunity to express an opinion on a matter of general public interest with the aim of providing more information on how decisions that affect them are made.

### Members reports

The Chairman declared that there was a vacancy for a school governor. The Clerk will place this on the next agenda for the vacancy to be filled.

Cllr Sandra Hinds asked for the Community Council's support in helping her to hold a Community Rural Fete in July next year on the field behind the Village Hall. Members were fully in support of the proposals. Any member of the community with ideas, or who would like to help, please contact the Clerk to be put in contact with Cllr Hinds.

The Clerk was asked to contact Highways regarding the condition of the lane between Cobham Cottage and Westway.

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**Thank you to Is-y-coed Community Council for sponsoring this month's Issue**

### EDITORIAL

The **Fish Fry van's** next visit to the Village Hall will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 4.30pm until 6.30pm.

**Wrexham Mobile Library Service** will be at the Village Hall on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 11am to midday.

Don't forget to **alter your clocks back one hour on Saturday night 25<sup>th</sup> October** when we move to GMT for the winter months



### STOP PRESS

**There is still time to get your tickets or pay on the door for the charity evening at Is-y-coed Village Hall with local author Simon Mc Cleave on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, starting at 7pm. Ticket price is £10 which includes tea or coffee and cake. All ticket proceeds to Wales Air Ambulance. Tickets available from Rachel on 07970 519037 or Marian on 07801 345041.**

### ST PAUL'S SCHOOL NEWS

1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> October – The junior children will be going on a residential to Glan Llyn in Bala. They will take part in a variety of activities including canoeing, paddle boarding, raft building, archery and swimming.

9<sup>th</sup> October – We will be going to Borderbrook School for a Harvest Journey Day.

22<sup>nd</sup> October – Tempest will be taking School Photos. 23<sup>rd</sup> October – School closes for half term.

24<sup>th</sup> October – Teacher Training Day. 3<sup>rd</sup> November – School reopens for everyone.

### Annual Cheese and Wine with Quiz Evening

This popular village event will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November starting at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £12.50, which includes a glass of wine or soft drink, and are available from Rachel on 07970 519037.

### Wrexham Farmers Ladies Section

The next meeting will be held in Is-y-coed Village Hall on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm and our speaker Tom Miller presents 'A Miller's Tale' about Stretton Mill. There is a £3 charge for visitors, which includes tea and biscuits. We look forward to welcoming you.



## OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

### Film Night at Kenyon Hall, Holt

The next Film Night is on Friday 31st October with the showing of 'Before I Go to Sleep', which is a psychological thriller starring Nicole Kidman and Colin Firth, exploring themes of memory, identity and trust through the story of a woman suffering from amnesia. All films are shown with subtitles. Doors open at 6.45pm for 7.30pm start. Entrance charge is £5 (cash payment) per person. Tea/coffee, soft drinks, and drinks from the licensed bar are available to purchase before the film or during the interval.

### Wrexham Grove Park Theatre

The next play 'Present Laughter' is a sparkling comedy by Noel Coward. The play starts at 7.30pm and runs from 28th October to 1st November plus a Saturday matinee at 2pm. Buy your tickets online at [www.grovetheatre.co.uk](http://www.grovetheatre.co.uk) or telephone the Box Office on 01978 351091.

### Bellis's Country Market

**PYO Pumpkins and Spooky Maize Maze.** Come and enjoy a day out. Pick your own pumpkins and discover hidden surprises in our Spooky Maize Maze-the perfect autumn adventure for all ages. Cash only payments for Maize Maze entry at £2.50 per person with under 3's free and last entry at 4pm. Open in October from 10am on following dates:- weekends 4/5th 11/12th 18/19th 25/26th then Monday 27th to Friday 31st. **Booking is essential** and opening is subject to pumpkin availability and extreme weather. Sorry no dogs allowed. Visit [www.bellisbrothers.co.uk](http://www.bellisbrothers.co.uk) for full booking information.

**Table Arrangement Workshop** To be held in the Strawberry Fields Restaurant with Nigel Whyles, NAFAS Area Demonstrator. A workshop where you will make and take away an Autumn themed table arrangement. Cost is £35.95 per person to include all materials, tea or coffee and a piece of cake. Please see a member of the restaurant staff to book your place. We will need to sell a minimum of 8 places for this event.

### Half Term Events at Erddig

From 25th October to 2nd November, explore a world of mighty animals, symbols and family tribes. Follow the half term trail, inspired by Erddig Hall's Tribes Room and its grand collection of coats of arms. Discover brave beasts and magical creatures hidden in the historic shields and enjoy the stunning autumn colour in the Grade-I listed garden as you go.

Don't forget to go wild in Wolf's Den natural play area during your visit. Feel free as you soar on the rope swing, balance across beams, build a den and enjoy hours of fun. Free event, but normal admission charges apply. Free entry for National Trust members and under 5s.

### Calligraphy Workshop

We're delighted to welcome Mellor and Rose to Erddig for a calligraphy workshop on Wednesday, 29 October, inspired by our Tribes room and the coats of arms found within it. Join us in our ground floor Education Room from 11am-1.30pm to learn the art of calligraphy. A calligraphy kit will be provided and you get to take this home with you afterwards to continue your new skill. This workshop is suitable for ages 15 and above. Places are limited and must be booked in advance. Participants will receive access to the house and garden as part of their booking.

### Design your own Coat of Arms

Get creative this half term by designing your own coat of arms just like the ones found in our Tribes Room. This activity is suitable for all the family and takes place on 28th and 30th October in our Education Room. Drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm to take part. What design will you come up with and what animal will you choose for your coat of arms? Free activity, no booking required. Normal admission charges apply, free entry for National Trust members and under 5s.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Happy birthday wishes to:

Phil Brereton : 6th October

Lynda Ellis-Brereton : 14th October

Sarah Brereton : 21st October

Mark Brereton : 27th October

Tom Lunt : 31st October

**And to all those who celebrate their birthdays this month**

### Wedding Congratulations

To Megan and Lydia who celebrated their wedding at Rustic Lodge, Is-y-coed on Saturday 13th September.

### Village Welcome

To Karen and Richard Williams who recently moved into Rose Villa and Wendy and Ian who have moved in at Plum Tree House

### Village Farewell

To Nicky and Tony Vesty of Rose Villa who have now moved to live in Holt also

Lisa and Kerry Williams who recently moved out of the village.

## ST PAUL'S CHURCH SERVICES & NEWS

Sunday 5th October 3pm Harvest Praise followed by refreshments

Sunday 12th October 3pm Holy Communion

Sunday 19th October 11am Morning Worship

Sunday 26th October 11am Morning Worship

Sunday 2nd November 11am Morning Worship

**100 Club**  
September Winners  
**First No. 19**  
**Second No. 60**  
**Third No. 36**

### Murder Mystery Night at Hotel Wrexham

A Harry Potter inspired evening from 7pm to 10.30pm on Friday 7th November

with a 3-course meal. Tickets £39.95 per person.

For more information contact Hotel Wrexham 01978 661002

**In our September Issue we gave notice of the 33rd Helena Tipping 10k Race which was to take place on Sunday 14th September. Due to technical problems the race was cancelled after the Issue had gone to print.**

**The editorial team apologise for any inconvenience caused.**

**We strive to give as much up to date information as we can, but sometimes events are cancelled or amended after our publication.**

**Deadline for the November Issue is Friday 24th October. Please notify Rachel Bellis (660275) or Marian Hughes (01829 272325) or e-mail [marianhug13@outlook.com](mailto:marianhug13@outlook.com) with all your news, birthdays, fundraising and other social events**