

## Community Council News for June 2023

Details of some of the items discussed at the Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Is-y-coed Village Hall.

### TO ELECT A CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL AND RECEIVE THE CHAIR'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE:

Councillor Ellis proposed that Councillor P Jones continue in the role of Chair of the Community Council, and this was seconded by Councillor Edwards. There were no other nominations put forward, and the proposal was upheld and agreed by those Councillors present. Councillor P Jones was duly re-elected to the role of Chair of the Community Council.

**TO ELECT A VICE - CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL:** Councillor Jones proposed Councillor P Ellis to the role of Vice-Chair, seconded by Councillor S Ellis, and the proposal was upheld and agreed by those Councillors present. Councillor P Ellis was duly re-elected to the role of Vice-Chair of the Community Council.

**ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING OF MR HARRINGTON, TO ADVISE COUNCILLORS OF THE NEW ROUTE FOR THE UPCOMING CHARITY RUN, AND TO DISCUSS ONGOING CONCERNS:** Mr Harrington advised that he had met with Wrexham Council Highways department as previously agreed, to present a new route, and this had been accepted by Wrexham Council as a safer alternative. The route is one-way, access is maintained throughout and there is no need for road closures. All aspects of the revised route were discussed, including the start and finish points and times, the length and timing of the route, and marshalling and traffic management. Questions were put to Mr Harrington. After consideration, the revisions were accepted by the Community Council as being more acceptable and having addressed many of the concerns previously raised. It was agreed that the Village Hall entrance and car park could be used at the end of the run to filter runners through safely back across the field to the starting point. The date of the run is 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Mr Harrington was thanked for attending and left the meeting.

**ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF MRS D PRIDDING, RESIDENT, TO DISCUSS ISSUES RELATING TO OLD FARM, AND THE ACTIONS TO DATE BY THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL:** Mrs Pridding sent apologies as she was unable to attend the meeting. The Clerk advised on responses received on this matter from Wrexham Council Planning and Environmental Health departments. These had been passed to Mrs Pridding. A discussion took place about the use of farm buildings and Councillor Morris advised on the Planning position. It was confirmed that videos and notification of the issue regarding traffic had been passed to North Wales Police. Concerns were still ongoing about the speed of vehicles. After discussion it was agreed that a further letter should be sent to the Planning department, highlighting the time this is talking to reach Committee, and to resolution, and a letter to Highways department. Councillor Morris advised he was due to accompany the PCSO in the near future and would discuss the traffic concerns with her.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:** Councillor Jones advised that the school is celebrating its 150 years anniversary and are looking at a Victorian theme. The Community Council is invited to take part. A Welsh flag has been purchased to fly on the flagpole.

**VILLAGE HALL:** Councillor Edwards advised the meeting concerning grants, and a report he had received about the heat loss/energy efficiency survey. It was confirmed that the Wrexham Council officer was due to visit to discuss the application for the Community Benefit grant. A further blocked gully on the main road had been unblocked by WCBC which should alleviate the flow of water away from the car park. It was agreed that another Community Day should be held at the hall to do some further clearing work and this shall be 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

**FLAGS PURCHASED TO MARK THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES:** Councillor Jones confirmed his purchase of the poles and flags, and it was agreed to reimburse him for the amount of £145.97. It was suggested that the Council purchase a 'Lest we forget' flag for Remembrance week, and Councillor Jones will also ask the Church if they can suggest anything that can be commemorated with a flag,

### TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATION UNDER REQUESTS AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

**P/2023/0280-** Hybrid planning permission (a) outline permission (all matters reserved) except for means of access for erection of up to 3 warehouse and distribution units (use class B8) and (b) Full planning permission for demolition, means of access, earthworks, drainage, landscaping, ecology zone and relative ecological mitigation measures and ancillary works:-Land off Bryn Lane, Wrexham Ind Estate. This was discussed generally as being a large development near to Isycoed and of some concern. The Planning Officer had agreed an extension for comments until after the July meeting. It was resolved that the Clerk will circulate the documents via e-mail, allowing proper viewing and an appropriate response will be discussed at the July meeting.

### MEMBERS REPORTS:

Councillor Worsnop raised an issue of grass cutting of verges down the lanes which is affecting visibility and safety. The Clerk will write to WCBC.

# Is-y-coed Issue

## August 2023

Issue No 222

Sponsorship for this month's Issue comes from existing funds.

### EDITORIAL

Just to let you know that copies of the map showing the Helen Tipping Race route, which was inserted in your last month's Issue, were provided by Michael Harrington of Run Cheshire. If you would like the opportunity to provide constructive feedback to the Wrexham Council run Safety Advisory Group following the Helen Tipping Race, then please see details in the relevant article in this issue and respond before 21<sup>st</sup> August.

There is still time to take part in the Big Butterfly Count which helps scientists understand the impact of climate change on our butterflies. The count ends on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August and is free, fun, takes just 15 minutes and is open to anyone, of any age, in a sunny spot anywhere-terrace, balcony, back garden, park. Just record the number and type of butterflies you see. Even if you don't see any butterflies/moths this still needs to be logged! To take part visit

[www.bigbutterflycount.org](http://www.bigbutterflycount.org).

WCBC had hoped to freeze the garden waste collection service price for a further year at £25 but found this isn't now possible. **The charge therefore for 2023/24 is now £35** (and not as we reported last month) per green bin, per year, and the service runs from 4/9/23 to 30/8/24.

Visit [www.wrexham.gov.uk/gardenwaste](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/gardenwaste) to make your payment online.

A consultation is now open to Wrexham residents concerning fire service cuts, with the possibility of losing Wrexham's second full time fire engine and relevant jobs. The consultation ends on 22<sup>nd</sup> September so go to [www.yourvoicewrexham.com](http://www.yourvoicewrexham.com) to have your say. Anyone without internet access can call/text 07787 578386 to request paper copies. A petition has also been launched to save Wrexham firefighters and retain the second fire engine.

This month we are pleased to enclose St Paul's School Summer Term Newsletter, which has been written and produced by Year 6 and includes details of this year's Leavers.

You will also find a flyer providing details of the fun Race Night being held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall to help raise funds for the Is-y-coed Community Hub and Future Community Projects.

Due to the weather the recent village hall car park clean up was cancelled and has been rescheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> August. If you could spare some time to help please come along.

**Deadline for the September Issue is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023. 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.**

## OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

### Free swimming for Under 16's

Will be offered by Freedom Leisure for the summer holidays between 21<sup>st</sup> July and 31<sup>st</sup> August at the following Leisure and Activity Centres: -  
Water world- Thursday 1-2pm. Telephone 01978 297300  
Chirk Leisure-Tuesday 1-2pm, Friday 12.30-1.30, Sundays 1-2pm and Family Swim  
Fridays 11am-midday. Telephone 01691 778666  
Gwyn Evans- Tuesday 2-3pm and Thursday 3-4pm. Telephone 01978 269540



### Fun Dog Show at Village Hall on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Let's hope the weather keeps dry for this popular and fun village event. Classes start at 2pm and the entry charge is £2 for the first class then £1 for each additional class entered, with payment on the day. It is £10 to sponsor a class and the opportunity to present the rosette to the winner.

The Classes are: -

- 1) Most Fabulous Fella
- 2) Loveliest Lady
- 3) Gorgeous Golden Oldie (over 10 years)
- 4) Most Unruly
- 5) Childs Best Friend
- 6) Best Trick
- 7) Fancy Dress Dog
- 8) Waggiest Tail
- 9) Most Obedient
- 10) Dog the Judge would most like to take home
- 11) Dog most like its Owner
- 12) Best Dog did not win a Rosette in any Class



There will be a Tombola and cake stall plus tea and cake available to purchase in the Village Hall so bring the family and your pets along for a fun afternoon. All monies raised go to St Paul's Church. Contact Rachel Bellis on 07970 519037 to arrange sponsorship or for further information.

### What's On at Bellis's Country Market

#### Are You an Unpaid Carer?

If you provide care for a relative, friend or neighbour, unpaid, you are an unpaid carer. Come along to see our wellbeing officers from NEWCIS and WCD on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August between 11am and 2pm, to obtain help, advice, information and support.

#### Craft and Gift Fair

Free admission to our marquee to see a wide selection of quality crafts, foods, giftware, ladies clothing, handbags, woodwork etc. This event is being held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August.

### Grove Park Theatre Season Ticket Membership Renewal 2023/24

Priority Booking days at the Theatre in Hill Street are: -

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 11am to 2pm and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August 11am to 1pm

The season ticket price remains at £40 for the next season which starts in September.

The first play will be 'The Addams Family', a hilarious macabre musical based on the iconic characters created by Charles Addams. The play will run from 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Contact [www.grovetheatre.co.uk](http://www.grovetheatre.co.uk) or telephone the Box Office on 01978 351091 to book your tickets.



### National Garden Scheme August Open Dates

Aberclwyd Manor, situated in Derwen Corwen LL21 9SF, will be open between 11am and 4pm on the following dates 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August and two September dates 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The gardens have featured in the English Garden and Garden News. Mostly flat area with some steps and slopes, wheelchair access to main features and refreshments available to purchase. Contact number 01824 750431 or e-mail [irene662010@live.com](mailto:irene662010@live.com) for more information.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Birthday Wishes This Month

John Morris: 2<sup>nd</sup> August

Sally Bolton: 5<sup>th</sup> August

Dave Pridding: 8<sup>th</sup> August

Peter Ellis: 29<sup>th</sup> August



And to all those who celebrate their birthdays this month

## ST PAUL'S CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 11am Morning Worship

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Aug 3pm Holy Communion

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Aug 11am Morning Worship

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Aug 11am Morning Worship



## ST PAUL'S SCHOOL NEWS

We raised an incredible £852.60 at our Summer Fayre and thank everyone who supported this event.

1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> September are Staff Training Days

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> the school re-opens to welcome the children for the start of the new school year



### Run Cheshire Events in Bowling Bank and Is-y-coed. (Case Ref. SA12707)

Some residents have contacted Sarah Atherton, local MP, to express their concerns regarding the Run Cheshire events. Sarah has got in touch with Wrexham Council to highlight these. This in turn has been referred to a council run Safety Advisory Group (SAG) who are made up of various authorities: -Police, Fire, Highway's etc. This group have already had a pre run meeting with Michael Harrington, the organiser of Run Cheshire and are planning a further post run meeting with him. Feedback will be sourced from all authorities, and it has been suggested that residents also have their input, providing constructive feedback-whether that is negative or positive. Questions being asked are:-

a) List what you thought **was successful or observed working well** in the whole event-for example-site layout, site safety, crowd control, welfare facilities, infrastructure, power supply, transport, communication.

b) List or describe what you thought **was NOT successful or did not work well** in the whole event, also considering the examples above.

All feedback will be collated and discussed at the SAG meeting.

Please e-mail [communitysafety@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:communitysafety@wrexham.gov.uk) before 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST

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