

PLAS MADOC COMMUNITIES FIRST

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Wednesday 24th June 2009 at 6.30pm

In attendance:

Chair

Tenants / Residents x11

Residents/ Cefn Community Council Malcolm Hughes

Ennys Hughes

Philip Gosling

PMCF

Andrew Harradine

NW Police

PCSO Hannah Harris

Plas Madoc Leisure Centre

Simon Richards

WCBC

Paul Blackwell

DVCP

Sonia Benbow Jones

2. Apologies

x10

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

The date was incorrect reading April instead of May.

Action list was incorrectly numbered

WL apologies not noted

Proposed as true record by PG and seconded by MH

4. Matters Arising

Actions from last meeting

Action 1 See Agenda Item 8

Action 2 Grass has been cut behind garages but the concrete work is still not complete. This is still unsatisfactory.

Action 3 Letters to residents – action to be carried forward.

Action 4 DT explained that his employer HMP had donated replacement garden lights to 2 of the residents that had suffered theft. There was discussion over the importance of reporting and accurate figures for Police to respond to.

Action 5 Letter re: bin lorries – action to be carried forward

Action 6 See Agenda Item 5

Action 7 See Agenda Item 6

Action 8 PG encouraged the Group to support the Plas Madoc Tidy Team and arranged date of next session. ADH suggested that if numbers remained low on Friday's then the day could be changed to suit, however the advice received was to keep arrangements consistent.

Action 1: Housing to confirm letter drop re: parking at Marlbrook / Hampden Way.

Action 2: Letter re: bin lorry access to be confirmed

Action 3: Plas Madoc Tidy Team to meet 10am on Friday 3rd July at The Opportunity Centre.

Additional Matters

EE was concerned about a violent incident that occurred during the last 7 days on Hampden Way involving youths. PCSO HH confirmed that NW Police were aware of the incident and investigations were underway. There were no indications that the incident was anything more than a fight. There was discussion about the fact that this incident nearly slipped under the radar as it did not appear to have been reported at the time, despite people being aware.

5. Constitution Update

ADH stated that he had received no feedback on the draft constitution document submitted at the last meeting. Members were provided with an up to date draft. The following amendments were proposed and accepted.

- a) A paragraph needs to be included to restrict any voting on constitutional matters to tenants and resident members of the group.
- b) A paragraph is required to state that quorum will be 6 members.
- c) Rephrasing to show that “Officers” will be elected every 12 months rather than just the Chair
- d) The Group preferred the term Objectives rather than Objects.
- e) A statement was needed to show that the CSG operates under the umbrella of PMCF
- f) A statement is required to draw attention to the code of conduct for members.

There was some discussion over finances. It was agreed that the Constitution remain as it is for the first year but that in due course, more direct management of finances could be adopted as the Group develops.

EE proposed that a side-meeting be held for those interested to finalise the Constitution document prior to the July meeting. This was agreed.

FH pointed out that the minutes showed a comment not attributable to her in relation to the voting process.

ADH formally invited nominations for Officers and committee members, giving 28 days notice before the July meeting. Self-nominations are allowed and all nominations should be in writing.

Action 4: ADH to amend draft constitution accordingly and call a meeting in 2 weeks, date to be included in minutes. **DATE OF THIS MEETING – WEDNESDAY 8th JULY 10am at The OPPORTUNITY CENTRE**

6. Police Update

PCSO Hannah Harris formally introduced herself to the group having replaced PCSO Chris Cheshire.

NW Police Reported Crime

ASB	7
Assaults	3 (1 charged)
Burglary OTD	1
Criminal Damage	6 (2 detected)
Theft	2

There had also been 1 positive drugs warrant in the last month which had led to arrest.

Following suggestion from EE about evening deployment of the speed gun, PCSO Tom Dewberry and PSCO HH had undertaken a speed detection operation on 15th June between 5:50pm and 6:30pm on Hampden Way. 46 cars were assessed with 6 in excess of the 20 mph. Fastest speed was 27 mph and the average was 18 mph.

ADH stated that this evening session was the first of a number that would be held over the summer and later times would be included.

PG identified speeding related issues on Oak Road and asked about issuing tickets. PSCO HH confirmed that PCSO do not have the power to issue tickets.

PCSO HH read out a letter from PCSO Chris Cheshire, which thanked the community of Plas Madoc and partners agencies for their support over his 2 year posting, and also his thanks for the party thrown in his honour. The Group unanimously praised PCSO CC for his efforts. ADH also acknowledged the role of the NPT as a whole and pointed out that it provided the context in which PCSO CC was able to operate so successfully.

7. Small Grants Scheme

ADH explained that the forms had been revised and contrary to rumour the scheme was very much open for business. Forms are available from The Opportunity Centre.

8. Community Risk Assessment – Extra Care Construction / Leisure Centre

ADH led a Risk Assessment exercise using the template implemented by WCBC. The aim was to allow local people to identify perceived risks *to* the community of Plas Madoc posed by the new developments. Future meetings would consider the risk to Extra Care from the community, and importantly, the proposed control measures. Risks were identified and rated and the results are available below. All relevant partners would be involved in these future sessions.

10. AOB

ADH outlined a summer campaign currently being developed to tackle violent crime the strap line is “Keep your cool this summer” and related to issues like BBQs and outdoor drinking getting out of hand as well as domestic abuse issues.

Action Planning – drafts for the Lighting and an updated Supply of Drugs would be circulated next meeting.

Sgt Whibberley has provided PMCF with 4 consecutive years of crime figures for Plas Madoc. This will be on the agenda for next meeting.

11. Date of Next Meeting

29th July 2009 at 9:30 am at The Opportunity Centre