

RUABON NEWS LETTER 278

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On June 1st our brownies and guides took part in the Berwyn Division 10th birthday 'Flash Picnic' at Erddig 170 members attended in total, aged from 5 to 80. It was a fabulous day where girls had the challenge of a woodland walk with clues hanging from trees to look for on the way round. Then girls had face painting, bark rubbing, making friendship bracelets, and other craft items. Then all 170 people took over a lawn for our picnic, including everyone receiving a special cupcake. It was a wonderful day, we had brilliant support from the staff at Erddig and memories were made,



THANK YOU TO
HEATHER QUAIL,
(GUIDE LEADER
FOR THE FIRST
RUABON
BROWNIES AND
GUIDES AND THE
DEPUTY DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER)
FOR SENDING IN
THIS PIECE FOR THE
NEWS LETTER



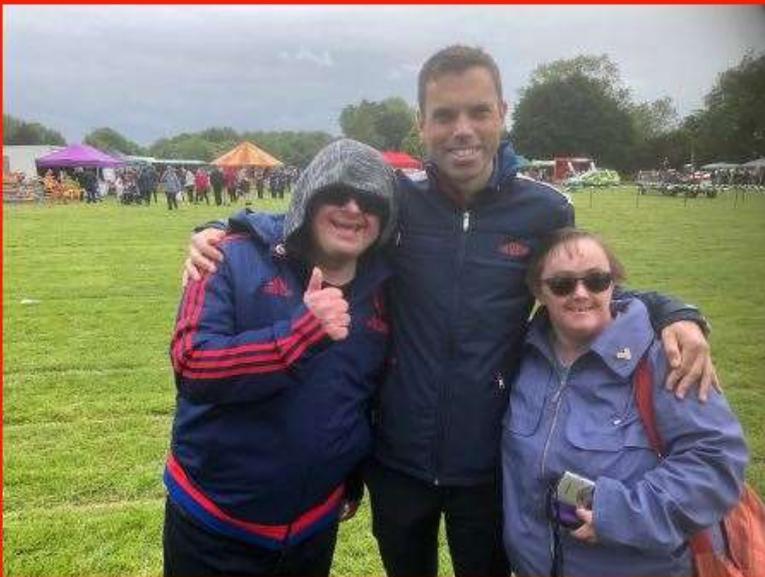
FURTHER UPDATES OF THE FETE HELD ON 8TH JUNE



Everyone was pleased that the Mayor, Councillor Robert Walsh, came to the Fete and in spite of the dismal weather he stayed on to see everything.

He is here with Friends of Ruabon members:

Sarah Giles and Jo Smith,
Chair of Friends of Ruabon.



'Summer' fete

I was delighted to be among the hardy souls enjoying the Friends of Ruabon Village Fete. It was great event which a lot of hard work went into, and even the unseasonal weather failed to dampen spirits. A huge well done to the organisers!

Ken Skates, AM., Economy and Transport Minister, also came to support Friends of Ruabon as did his two companions (photo) who arrive at every event put on by Friends of Ruabon throughout the year.



MANY THANKS TO INSPECTOR WHIBBERLEY FOR SENDING IN THIS PIECE FOR US ALL TO UNDERSTAND HIS AIMS FOR OUR COMMUNITY



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Hi everyone I'm Daz Whibberley. I took over from Steve Owen as District Inspector for the Wrexham Rural area on the 1st April this year. I started my police career in Rhyl and subsequently worked in Llandudno and Colwyn Bay before moving to Deeside. I then worked on an interview team based in Mold before being promoted to response sergeant in the Wrexham Rural area and stationed in Rhos. I remained in Rhos and moved to the neighbourhood policing sergeant post before leaving to perform role of custody sergeant in Wrexham. I returned to Wrexham Rural and performed the role of support sergeant to the then District Inspector before being promoted to Inspector myself and station in Mold with responsibility for the Flintshire South area. I now I'm back...again. Other than the bobbies looking ever younger, much of the issues affecting the area are unchanged and largely reflect the national picture. With 88000 residents and a large geographical area it is a challenge to match our finite resources against the vast array of incidents we attend whilst protecting the most vulnerable in our communities. I enjoy it, I want to do it, and am confident I can do it, and that's why I'm here.

The force priorities are tackling organised criminal gangs, domestic abuse, modern day slavery, sexual abuse (including child sexual exploitation), and 'safer neighbourhoods' which

encompasses a multitude of issues. Other than the latter, much of our work goes unseen by our communities and mental health accounts for around a third of our calls for service, which often involves officers helping people in crisis which adds an additional dimension to the demand placed on us. My biggest challenge is finding that balance between tackling the unseen whilst providing the reassuring presence and engagement with our communities.

On a personal note... I'm 47 years old, married with two children and have been a police officer for 21 years. My work is very important to me and I work hard, but I live for the times with my wife and children... priceless. Keeping my children happy, safe and fulfilled is the single most important thing to me. I bring this mentality to work and would like to take the opportunity to let the residents of Ruabon know that I take the safety and wellbeing of families seriously. I intend to spend increasing attention to the feelings and needs of children and understand what they want from the police. All too often I see my officers responding to issues raised by those who shout loudest, invariably people aged 40 plus. Children will have equal say and influence on what we do and I hope their families and communities benefit from this.

I wish you all well and look forward to meeting residents of Ruabon and reacquainting myself with old faces (less of the old!).

Daz

Darren Whibberley
Inspector/Arolygydd
Wrecsam Wledig / Wrexham Rural

Action being taken to improve A483 in Wrexham, says Ken Skates

Public information exhibitions will be held to show how the Welsh Government is looking at options to improve the A483 between Junction 3 and 6 in Wrexham, Economy and Transport Minister Ken Skates has announced.

The A483 provides one of the key connecting routes between North and South Wales as well as with England and work has already been carried out to outline the issues affecting this corridor and the main contributory factors.

A list of possible solutions is being developed and assessed, which identifies the A483 corridor between junction 3 and 6, and associated junctions, as key areas for improvement. Further work will be carried out on these proposals.

The options which are being developed aim to improve safety, resilience and journey time reliability on the A483, provide better east-west connectivity across the route and reduce incidents and delays.

Scheme objectives also include supporting public transport and active travel provision to reduce personal vehicle use which will also improve air quality, especially between junction 5 and 6.

The A483 Wrexham Bypass junction 3 to 6 is a pinch point scheme included in the Welsh Government's National Transport Finance Plan and the Moving North Wales Forward strategy.

The public exhibitions will allow people to view further information about the scheme and meet the Project Team who will be able to answer any questions. They

are being held on Tuesday 25 June and Thursday 27 June in the Catrin Finch Centre on the Glyndwr University campus in Wrexham. On 25 June, the exhibition will be open between 10am and 6pm, and on 27 June from 1pm until 8pm.

During this summer, potential options will be further developed and assessed [using the WelTAG \(Welsh Transport Appraisal Guidance\) process](#). A public consultation on a short list of proposals will then begin before Christmas 2019.

Economy and Transport Minister Ken Skates said:

Ensuring a reliable and efficient road network is a key priority for the Welsh Government and that's why action must be taken to resolve existing issues affecting the A483 between Junction 3 and 6.

Being a regular user of this section of the road, I fully understand the present issues and recent studies have found that current traffic congestion on the route is a constraint to everyday commuting as well as the economic growth aspirations in Wrexham. It's important to note that doing nothing to improve the situation will impact residents and businesses in the area now and in the future.

We are currently working on a range of options to improve this part of the A483, however we also want to work constructively with local residents and those who use the road to fully consider how this corridor and four junctions are currently used and will be used going forward.

The public exhibitions are an excellent way of finding out more about this important scheme, why it is needed and how solutions are being developed. I'd encourage everyone with an interest to go along to the Catrin Finch Centre on the dates the information sessions are being held.



Visit our website for more details:
www.ysgolrhiwabon.co.uk

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 to our
Summer 2019
Open Celebration Evening
 on
Thursday 27th June 2019
6.00 pm – 8.00 pm

- * Meet the staff and students
- * Tour the school & grounds
- * Experience exciting lessons
- * Hear from the Headteacher

School Administration Team Vacancy

Friday, 24th May 2019

The school governors are seeking to appoint a member of staff to the school's Administration Team

The post will be for 37 hours per week, term time only.

The closing date for applications is Friday 7th June. See website information details above.

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FUNDRAISING

Help us raise funds for a new minibus...



RUABON BOWLING CLUB

Maes-y Llan Lane, Ruabon

Match Results 2019

Oswestry and District Bowling League:

Division Three - Wednesday 12th June:

Criftins C v. Ruabon A **(no Match)**

Division Five – Thursday 13th June:

Ye Olde Crofte B (1) v Ruabon B (9)

Wrexham and District Bowling League

Saturday League

Division One – Saturday 15th June

Plas Kynaston (4) v. Ruabon (**10**)

Pairs League

Division two- Monday 10th June:

Ruabon v. Bradley (No Results)

Jumping Jacks

Out of School Club

and

Holiday Club



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OF FUN
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Full Day 8.00 am — 6.00pm

Half Day 8.00 am — 1.00pm

Half Day 1.00pm — 6.00pm

Closed Christmas Holidays

Age 4 years to 14 years

Special Needs Children up
to 18yrs

Contact:

Gill for more information

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Learning at Lunchtime

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Bydd y sesiwn yma yn edrych ar sut i ymchwilio i archifau teulu, yr adnoddau sydd ar gael arlein gan gynnwys sut i ymchwilio trwy *Ancestry*, a pha adnoddau sydd ar gael i helpu archwilio hanes teulu yn yr ystafell ymchwilio Archifau.

Ffoniwch 01978 822002 i archebu lle.

Thursday
11 July
2.15pm

Beginner Family History

This session will look at creating a family archive, the sources that are available online including how to search using Ancestry, and what is available to aid family research at the Archives search room.

Call 01978 822002 to book your place.



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CHESTER SHREWSBURY RAIL



PARTNERSHIP NEWS

FOR RUABON NEWSLETTER

PARTNERSHIP NEWS

The first Partnership meeting of 2019 took place at the Guildhall in Wrexham on 19th February when funding partners

and stakeholders came together.

We are currently working on updating our Terms of Reference and Constitution to reflect the new working partnership with Transport for Wales Rail Services and Network Rail both joining the Partnership Steering Group.

We are guided by the new Community Rail Strategy from the Department for Transport which was revised in late 2018 and the Partnerships 2019/2021 Line Activity Plan reflects the outputs we aim to work as a Partnership to achieve.

Some of the activities planned include:

- Tourism -Stations as Gateways to the wider area or corridor. Capitalising on tourism assets to encourage visitors to stay longer and spend more
- Working with diverse groups; supporting diversity and inclusion through social spaces at stations and promoting healthy and accessible travel
- Refurbishment and renovation of station buildings to promote local employment and economic development
- Cross border collaborative work on joint promotional material

FARES NEWS

The myriad of fares available on different routes to one destination can be overwhelming.

Listed below are some of the most popular fares available

from Ruabon.

Adult Return Fares to:

Liverpool: £12.50 Anytime Day Return

Chester: £7.30 Anytime Day Return

Shrewsbury: £10.80 Anytime Day Return

Or perhaps a short break in London travelling into London Marylebone Station? :

Adult Super Off Peak return (via High Wycombe) £41.80.

Example: Monday to Friday Ruabon depart 07.58. Arrive London Marylebone 11.40.

(Not valid on trains timed to arrive at London Marylebone before 11:30am and return not valid on trains timed to depart London Marylebone after 16:00 and before 19:00.)

REMEMBER RAILCARDS CAN GIVE UP TO A THIRD OFF THESE FARES.

Your local booking office can give you more details of all these fares and more.

GREAT DAYS OUT

NEC Birmingham easily accessed from Birmingham International Station:

May 31st - 2nd June: UK Games Exp

June 1st - 2nd Collector mania 26 Film & Comic Con

7th - 8th The Genealogy Show

13th - 16th BBC Gardeners' World Live

13th - 16th BBC Good Food Show

Aug 1-4th The Festival of Quilts

24th - 25th UCAS Higher Education Exhibition

28th - 30th The Creative Craft Show

CLOSER TO HOME:

Cosford Air show: June 9th

Shrewsbury Flower Show: August 9th & 10th

Sheila Dee; Community Rail Officer, Chester Shrewsbury Rail Partnership, has sent in this information which relates particularly to those using Ruabon Station.

-ADDITIONAL FARE SAVINGS-

INFORMATION PROVIDED by Sheila Dee:

In response to a query from a Ruabon Resident

FARES NEWS

Small Group Day Returns from Ruabon Station

SAVINGS CAN BE MADE if 3 or more adults, without any railcards, are travelling from Ruabon to either Chester or Liverpool.

Available only after 09.30 Monday to Friday and with no return travel between 16.00 and 18.29.

On Saturday and Sunday there are no time restrictions.

3 ADULTS ALL TRAVELLING TOGETHER RUABON TO CHESTER £16.20 Saving £5.70

3 ADULTS ALL TRAVELLING TOGETHER RUABON TO LIVERPOOL £27.90 Saving £9.60

THESE TICKETS ARE NOT AVAILABLE ON EVENTS DAYS WHEN THE NETWORK IS BUSY.

BUY IN ADVANCE OR ASK THE CONDUCTOR ON THE TRAIN FOR A SMALL GROUP DAY



Communities for work

is now at

Ruabon

Library

every Friday from 10am

until 12pm

and can offer:

- Help with CVs and job searches

- Advice and support on accessing training.
- Basic support to use I.T. if needed.
- Assistance with Universal Credit claims.
- No appointments needed.

Maxine Bithell

**Swyddog Cyfranogi ac Ymgysylltu – Cymunedau am Waith a Mwy
Participation & Engagement Officer – Communities for Work Plus.**

**For help with the numerous courses
offered by Communities for Work:**

**Please contact Karen Long for a copy of the
Quarterly Brochure or to book a course
phone: 01978 318853/820520**



Table Tennis

Arts & Crafts

Cooking

JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB

Play

Years 5 to 7

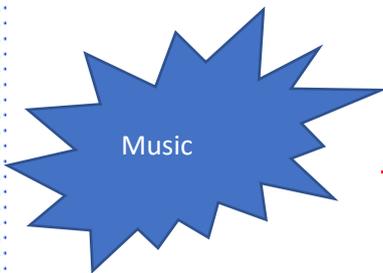
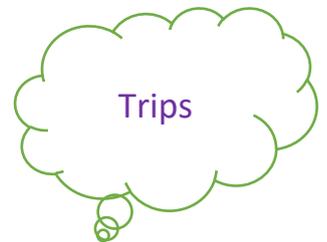
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At

Ruabon YOUTH Centre

Stanley Grove

Mondays 5.30 TILL 7.30



Music



Face painting

Make new friends

FREE ENTRY!

Contact: 01978 298362

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Ruabon Community Council



Members will hold their next meeting at 7pm on Wednesday, 26th June at Ruabon Village Hall, Maes-y-Lan Lane.

All residents are welcome to attend these open meetings; but if anyone wishes to speak, that person should approach the Clerk to the RCC by email:

clerk@ruabon-community.gov.uk

Children's Swimming lessons @ Chirk Leisure Centre



At Freedom Leisure we offer an extensive inclusive swimming program at our venues. We deliver the Swim Wales aquatic framework and all our team are trained ASA swimming teachers. Our classes ensure improved water confidence and swimming technique by allowing the individual to progress at their own pace. We now have spaces available on our Wave 1 sessions.

Wave 1 aims to develop confidence and safety in the water, and when getting in and getting out of the pool. Learn basic floating, sculling and breathing techniques. Start to learn front crawl, backstroke and ether breaststroke or butterfly, with aid if needed.

**Please contact Chirk Leisure and Activity Centre for further details;
Phone: 01691 778666 Email: chirk@freedom-leisure.co.uk**



The importance of children leaning to swim

A recent report by the Amateur Swimming Association (ASA) shockingly revealed that more than half of children aged seven to eleven years old are unable to swim a minimum of 25 metres unaided, meaning that just over one million children in the UK are potentially unsafe in and around water and therefore at risk of drowning!

We are passionate about helping children to learn to swim and work in partnership with the ASA in England and Swim Wales to deliver nationally recognised Learn to Swim Pathways, supporting children from their first splash to being happy and competent





HELLO, My name is Ffion Morus and I am the Community Agent* in **Ruabon** and **Pen-Y-Cae**.

HELO, Ffion Morus yw fy enw I ac rwy'n Asiant Cymunedol* yn **Rhiwabon** a **Pen-Y-Cae**.

Are you over 50 and looking for a FREE and confidential service?

I can support you with:

- Information on groups and activities
- Completing forms
- Housing issues
- Healthcare queries
- Loneliness and isolation

Ydych chi dros 50 ac yn edrych am wasanaeth gyfrinachol sydd am DDIM?

Rwyf yn helpu gyda:

- Gwybodaeth gweithgareddau a grwpiau
- Cwblhau ffurflenni
- Materion Cartref
- Ymholiadau Gofal Iechyd
- Teimlo'n unig ac ar ben eich hunan

Please contact me on/ Cysylltwch â mi:

Mobile/Ffon – 07751 778868

Email/Ebost– communityagentpr@yahoo.com

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birthday parties

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- Swim
- Aqua Run
- Football (indoor and outdoor)
- Food options available
- Private hire



Cano fan Hamdden a Gwdf tŷgareddau Y Waon: 01691 778666
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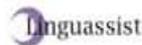
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RUABON LIBRARY

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Books AND Far, Far More

THE EXHIBITION AREA AT RUABON LIBRARY IS FREE TO BOOK. IF YOU ARE AN ARTIST OR WISH TO PROMOTE A GROUP; AN INTEREST; OR JUST AN IDEA. PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF STAFF FOR MORE DETAILS DURING OPENING TIMES TO FIND OUT WHICH MONTHS ARE STILL AVAILABLE DURING 2019.

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Normal opening times are: Monday-10am-6pm; Tuesday- 2-5pm; Wednesday-2-5pm; Thursday-2-5pm; Friday-10am –6pm.

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For information on all sessions, please telephone to speak to a member of staff, when the library is open, on 01978 822002, or email: ruabonlibrary@wrexham.gov.uk.

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Ongoing book and DVD sales of discontinued material at RUABON library: - BIG PRICE REDUCTIONS: Hardbacks £1; Paperbacks 50p and DVDs 50p

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RUABON LIBRARY now has a 'POETRY WALL'. CUSTOMERS/VISITORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ADD THEIR FAVOURITE POET OR POEM, WHETHER IT BE THE WHOLE THING OR JUST THE TITLE; OR A POEM OF THEIR OWN CREATION. WE HOPE THIS WILL BE AN ONGOING PROJECT.

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Natter & Chatter at Ruabon Library



Come and join us at our
Natter & Chatter table
between **4 and 5 pm** on a **Monday**

For more information call: 01978 822002



Clwb3 o'r Gloch 3 o'clock Club

Yn Llyfrgell Rhiwabon
in Ruabon Library

Dydd Mercher 29 Mai/Wednesday 29 May
Dewch draw am hwyf, gemau, Lego,
lliwio a llawer mwy!

Come along for fun, games, Lego,
colouring and much more!

5-10 oed/yrs

(Dim angen archebu/rhaid i bob plentyn fod gydag oedolyn) (No booking needed/all children must be accompanied by an adult)

Do you enjoy playing Scrabble? The Scrabble Club takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of each month

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For those who enjoy doing **Jig-Saw Puzzles**, there is usually one 'on the go' for you to either put in a couple of pieces or finish it off altogether!

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The Reading Group (Ruabon Readers) meet on the first Wednesday of the month.

The book for June is: "The Devil in the Marshalsea" by Antonia Hodson- "a riveting historical thriller, fiendishly plotted and dripping with atmosphere!!"

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Paws to Read with Elliot the Tiger. Each Wednesday at 3.30. Children are welcome to come along and share a story, a poem and perhaps a rhyme or two, with staff (and Elliot)

New members are always welcome but need to contact a member of staff to ensure that copies of the appropriate book are available.



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Stori a Chan This fun filled session is free of charge and is suitable for children under the age of 2. On Tuesdays: Story Time at 2.15pm

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On Mondays: The Welsh Group meets between 2-3pm.
Family board games between 3-4pm

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The Knit and Natter Group meets regularly once a week on Fridays between **2 - 4pm.**

New members are always welcome.



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A computer 'Drop-in Service' is also available on a Friday between 4 and 5pm.

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RUABON CHURCHES' NEWS

St Mary's Shared Church - General Information:



For children and young adults:

Messy Church and Holiday Club please check website for details.

Youth Group is on Sunday evenings 5pm-6.30pm.

All Age Worship: The 1st Sunday in the month is a Family Communion Service at 9.30am.

On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month there is the JIGSAW service: informal worship for all ages.

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The Church Hall is open to all on the 1st Saturday of the month for coffee from 10am to 12noon.

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The Choir practices on Tuesday evenings in the Church Hall at 7.15pm and sings at the 9.30am service every Sunday.

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The Bell Ringers practice weekly and ring for weddings when requested. Details from Gordon Richardson: g.j.richardson@hotmail.co.uk phone: 07970 140004.

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To hire the Church Hall please contact: Janet Roberts 01978 810039/email neilandjanet1@hotmail.co.uk

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For wedding or baptism enquiries please contact: The Rev'd Kate Tiltman, The Vicarage, Church Street, Rhosymedre, LL14 3EA. Phone: 01978 824087, katherinetiltman@gmail.com / www.stmarysruabon.org.uk.

St Mary's Church; St John's Church and St Mary's Youth Group also have a facebook page.

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St John's has a website www.stjohnsrhosymedre.org.uk

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For Catholic weddings, baptisms and confessions in Ruabon, Chirk and Llangollen: Rev'd Fr. Anthony Nnamah MSP email: chykenam@gmail.com

RUABON AND DISTRICT CHURCH **SERVICES**

At St Mary's Church, Ruabon on Saturday 22nd June at 2pm: a Wedding.

On Sunday 23rd June at 8am and at 9.30am: Services of Holy Communion

At 1pm a Baptism.

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The Catholic Church's celebration of the Eucharist at St Mary's shared Church in Ruabon, will take place on Sunday at 11am.

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At Ruabon Methodist Church On Sunday 16th June at 10.30am Mr Colen Nodoro will lead the service

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At Ruabon Congregational Church (The Chapel on the Hill) on Sunday 23rd June at 11am - a service of favourite hymns and readings.

At All Saints' Church, Penylan on Sunday 23rd June at 11am: a Service of Holy Communion.

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**At St John's Church, Rhosymedre on Wednesday 19th June at 10am, a Service of Morning Prayer
On Sunday 23rd June at 11am, a Service of Holy Communion**

NOTES FOR THE ANGLICAN CHURCHES

- THE NEXT **CELTIC SERVICE** WILL BE ON TUESDAY 2ND JULY AT 5PM IN PENYCAE. IT WILL BE THE END OF THE MA DAY OF PRAYER THAT STARTS WITH A EUCHARIST AND BREAKFAST IN CHIRK AT 8AM, FRON FROM 9.30AM, RHOSYMEDRE (COFFEE) 10.45AM, RUABON (SOUP LUNCH) 12NOON, PENYLAN 1.30PM, JOHNSTOWN 2.45PM, RHOS 4PM.
- THE NEXT MEETING OF '**TIME WELL SPENT**' IS ON FRIDAY 21ST JUNE IN ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL. COFFEE AND CHAT FROM 11AM, A COOKED LUNCH AND RELAX WITH FRIENDS.
- SATURDAY 22ND JUNE THERE IS A **QUIZ NIGHT** ORGANISED BY ALL SAINTS CHURCH. ALL WELCOME, DETAILS FROM PENYLAN.
- THE **FELLOWSHIP GROUP** MEETS IN ST MARY'S HALL ON WEDNESDAYS, 12.30-1.30PM. ALL ARE WELCOME TO EXPLORE A DIFFERENT PASSAGE FROM THE BIBLE EACH WEEK. ON THURSDAY 27TH JUNE THE GROUP ARE GOING ON A CANAL BOAT TRIP, STOPPING AT THE POACHER'S POCKET FOR LUNCH. THE COST OF THE BOAT IS £7 AND THERE ARE 4 PLACES LEFT. PLEASE CONTACT YVONNE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GO (07789105396).
- THE NEXT **FISH AND CHIPS AND BINGO** AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH WILL BE ON TUESDAY 9TH JULY. PLEASE LET BEULAH KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO COME.
- THE NEXT **PIZZA CHURCH** IN ST MARY'S WILL BE ON SUNDAY 16TH JUNE AT 4PM. THIS IS AN INFORMAL SESSION OF WORSHIP AND DISCUSSION IN THE CHURCH HALL. ANY AND ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO COME AND EAT PIZZA AND TO EXPLORE THEIR FAITH.
- SUNDAY 30TH JUNE IS A FIFTH SUNDAY, THE SERVICE WILL BE AT ST MARY'S RUABON AT 9.30AM AND WILL BE A 'SONGS OF PRAISE' WITH A FAVOURITE HYMN FROM EACH CHURCH. PLEASE LET ME OR TRISH KNOW YOUR FAVOURITE HYMN SO WE CAN TRY TO INCLUDE IT.
- THE NEXT **ST MARY'S JCC COFFEE MORNING** WILL BE ON SATURDAY 7TH JULY, 10AM-12NOON.
- THE NEXT **PENYLAN BRUNCH** WILL BE ON SATURDAY 14TH JULY, 10AM-12NOON.
- JAMES AND GARETH WILL BE ORDAINED DEACON ON SATURDAY 29TH JUNE, 10AM IN ST ASAPH CATHEDRAL. WE WILL HAVE A COACH TO THE CATHEDRAL (LEAVING ST MARY'S SCHOOL AT 8.15AM), AND THERE WILL BE REFRESHMENTS IN ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL ON OUR RETURN. PLEASE SIGN THE LIST AT THE BACK OF CHURCH IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME ON THE COACH OR IF YOU CAN PROVIDE ANY REFRESHMENTS. WE WILL GIVE BOTH JAMES AND GARETH A GIFT, IF YOU WISH TO CONTRIBUTE PLEASE LET MYSELF OR TRISH BY 23RD JUNE

- THERE IS A LIST AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THE FOOD REQUIRED FOR THE GRAND DRAW RAFFLE HAMPERS ON THE TABLE UNDER THE WEST WINDOW. THANK YOU.
- THERE ARE LEAFLETS AT THE BACK ADVERTISING **ST MARY'S HISTORY EXHIBITION** IN SEPTEMBER. PLEASE ADVERTISE THIS AMONG THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO MIGHT HAVE ITEMS TO EXHIBIT.
- **A PRAYER FOR A SHARED FUTURE IN THE LIGHT OF BREXIT**
GOD OF PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE, BE WITH US AS WE TAKE OUR NEXT STEPS AS NATIONS TOGETHER. MAY WE STRIVE TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBOUR AS OURSELVES, LISTENING AND SPEAKING WITH RESPECTFUL KINDNESS, EMBRACING DIFFERENCE, REMEMBERING HOW MUCH ALL HAVE BEEN FORGIVEN BY YOU. MAY WE OFFER FRIENDSHIP, GRANT MERCY, AND SEEK PEACE AND JUSTICE IN OUR SHARED FUTURE. AMEN

What's On' in and around Wrexham

This information has recently been updated, and is now available. Where there are no contact details or for more information on the following items: please contact: 01978 292000.



www.ASDInfoWales.co.uk

Integrated Autism Service Drop In at Chirk Library

North Wales Integrated Autism Service hold regular monthly drop in sessions at Chirk library on the third Thursday of the month. You can find all the help and advice you need at this free drop in session which takes place between 2.30-4.30pm. The next session will take place on Thursday 20th June.

Coffee, Cakes and the right book!

Did you know Wrexham Library has a new coffee shop called The Secret Garden? Their menu offers a selection of food such as Homemade cakes, Homemade soup, Sandwiches, Jacket Potatoes, Paninis and numerous cakes and treats, including cream teas. They also have a wider range of hot and cold drink options, including a selection of teas & coffees, hot chocolates, milkshakes and many chilled bottled drinks. Why not try one of their regular daily specials or their 'early bird' special each day from 8:30-10am, offering any Hot drink and a flapjack for only £2.50. You can even eat your refreshments in the newly refurbished entrance to the library where there is a huge selection of new books to choose from or browse through whilst enjoying your cuppa.



'First Choice' Books

Do you know someone who is struggling to read, or are you someone who needs to build your confidence with reading books? Wrexham Library has a selection of books to help you gain your confidence reading a book which will then enable you to relax and enjoy the stories being told. Books range from very basic short words and sentences, to short easy to read novels and the staff are there to help you choose the books that you feel most comfortable reading. Why not call in to see what we can do to help you?



Ruabon Community Council

Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

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The successful applicant will be expected to manage the business and correspondence of the Council and produce the formal minutes and agendas. He/she will also be the Responsible Financial Officer, but the Council employs a Finance Assistant to aid with day to day management of financial matters and reports to the Clerk. Applicants should have bookkeeping experience, a good working knowledge of Microsoft Office Word and, preferably, previous local government experience. Further training will be available.

The role requires motivation, enthusiasm and teamwork, together with good management, organisational and communication skills.

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Wrexham
LL14 6AD

For an informal discussion about the post please contact Councillor Supriya Kapas, Chair of Ruabon Community Council on skapas@hotmail.co.uk or 07976 443581 or the current Clerk, Helen Ikin on clerk@ruabon-community.org.uk or 07805 670157.

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Interviews: Tuesday 2nd July 2019

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Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO): Job Description

Reporting to:	Chair of the Council
Responsible for:	Staff – Finance assistant, 2 groundsmen, caretaker and community agent
Hours of work:	18.5 hours per week (flexible working required as Council meetings are held in the evenings)
Grade/Salary:	SCP spinal points 19-23 <i>pro rata</i> (dependent on qualifications and experience) <i>To be confirmed</i>
Pension:	In accordance with Workplace Pension Regulations
Location:	Council meetings held in Ruabon Village Hall, but Clerk will be expected to work from home

1. Overall Responsibilities

- 1.1. The Clerk to the Council will be the Proper Officer of the Council and as such is under statutory duty to carry out all the functions and to serve or issues all notifications by law of a local authority's Proper Officer;
- 1.2. The Clerk will be responsible for ensuring that the instructions of the Council in connection with its function as a Local Authority are carried out;
- 1.3. The Clerk is expected to advise the Council on and assist in the formation of overall policies to be followed in respect of the Council's activities and in particular to produce all the information required for making effective decisions and to implement constructively all decisions;
- 1.4. The Clerk will be accountable to the Council for the effective management of all its resources;
- 1.5. The Clerk will be responsible for producing financial records of the Council, along with the Finance Assistant, and the careful administration of its finances.

2. Specific Responsibilities

- 2.1 To ensure that legal, statutory and other provisions governing or affecting the running of the Council are observed;
- 2.2 To ensure that the Council has adequate insurance arrangement in place and it is regularly reviewed;
- 2.3 In consultation with the Chair of the Council prepare agendas, attend meetings, and prepare minutes for approval for Council meetings and the Annual General meeting ensuring compliance at all times with relevant legislation;
- 2.4 To manage the Council's website;
- 2.5 To receive correspondence and documents on behalf of the Council and to deal with them and bring such items to the attention of the Council;
- 2.6 To carry out the Council's instructions when dealing with community planning applications liaising as necessary with officers of the Local Planning Authority;
- 2.7 To study reports and other data relevant to the running of the Council and its obligations;
- 2.8 To keep the Council advised on actions dealt with and their effects;
- 2.9 To undertake risk assessments relating to the Council's activities as required.
- 2.10 To act as representative of the Council as required;
- 2.11 To prepare press releases of the activities or decisions of the Council, where required;
- 2.12 To keep the Notice Board information updated, when requested by Council;
- 2.13 To deal with the General Public on all Council matters as required;
- 2.14 To report on problems with roadways and lighting with Wrexham Borough County Council as appropriate;

- 2.15 To be responsible for the finances of the Council, including the monitoring and balancing of the accounts, overseeing the preparation of quarterly financial reports to Council, overseeing claims for VAT refunds and preparing end of year accounts for audit;
- 2.16 To work with the Finance Assistant to prepare a budget report to assist the Council in setting of the precept for the next financial year;
- 2.17 To liaise with the Council's Internal and External Auditors;
- 2.18 To prepare the annual Audit report, liaising with the Finance Assistant;
- 2.19 To maintain statutory Value Added Tax (VAT) and Pay As You Earn (PAYE) records, liaising as necessary with HM Revenue & Customs and be responsible for the PAYE and submission of the Employer Annual Return;
- 2.20 To make appropriate banking arrangements and carry out regular bank reconciliations as required;
- 2.21 To receive and report back on invoices for goods and services to be paid by the Council and to ensure accounts are met;
- 2.22 To provide and present summarised Monthly Financial Accounts to the Council including Income and Expenditure Forecasting Positional reports, Cashflow Forecasting Positional reports and Budgetary Financial Statements for any Special Projects or issues with which the Council may be involved and for which the council may require budgetary financial information.
- 2.23 To ensure effective Governance and Risk Management at all times;
- 2.24 To provide or seek the appropriate advice for Council on new or updated, legislation, codes of practice or other procedures which impact on Council functions;
- 2.25 To manage the Community Agent Scheme in conjunction with the Clerk to Penrycae Community Council;
- 2.26 To carry out annual staff appraisals;
- 2.27 To be responsible for the editorial content (subject to Council approval), preparation, publication and distribution of the Council's contribution to the Quarterly Village Newsletter enabling the Council fully to engage with the community. This includes the regular publication of the minutes of all open Council meetings when such have been approved by the Council);
- 2.28 To attend training courses or seminars relating to the role of the Clerk when required, and, if necessary, ensuring other Council staff gain training appropriate to their roles;
- 2.29 To act as Council's Data Controller under the Data Protection Act 1998 and deal requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000;
- 2.30 To regular review office procedures to ensure efficiency.

Health and Safety

Be conversant and comply with Health and Safety regulations applicable to the Council. Take reasonable care of yourself and others affected by your work activities, use equipment correctly and apply safe working practices effectively to remove or minimise risks of accidents or injury and to meet statutory obligations.

Fairness and Dignity at Work

Actively support the Council's policies to assist in eliminating discrimination and in maintaining a fair, positive and productive working environment, to meet statutory obligations and good employment practice.

This job description is provided to assist the post holder to know main areas of responsibilities. These may be amended from time to time, without change to the level of responsibility appropriate to the grade of the post

Ruabon Community Council

Clerk and Financial Officer: Person Specification

Key job requirements	Essential	Desirable	Testing mechanism
Education/Qualifications	Good general education, including GCSE's in English and Maths at Grade C or above (or equivalent).	A recognised qualification in local government administration. A recognised qualification in accounting.	Application form
Experience/Understanding	Understanding of local government, particularly community councils and the environment in which they operate. Understanding of basic accounting processes. Servicing meetings and taking accurate minutes. Producing reports (finance and others).	Experience in local government. Experience of budget setting and financial control. Managing contracts. Grant writing. Project management.	Application form, Interview, references
Skills/Aptitude	Excellent communication skills, both written and oral. Excellent IT skills eg proficient with Microsoft Office and accountancy systems. Excellent customer care skills. Excellent administrative and organisational skills. Ability to provide sound and impartial advice to councillors.	Website development and maintenance skills. Understanding of health & safety, public liability, data protection, equalities and freedom of information legislation.	Application form, Interview, references
Other/Personal Qualities	Ability to work effectively and efficiently under pressure and unsupervised with the ability to meet deadlines. Self-motivated and flexible attitude to work. Willingness to attend evening meetings. Community minded.	Access to, or use of, a car and a current full British driving licence. Willingness to undertake appropriate training and keep knowledge up to date. Knowledge and understanding of the local area. Ability to speak Welsh.	Application form, Interview, references

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Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

The post will be offered subject to receiving satisfactory references and will become permanent on completion of a satisfactory 6 months probationary period.

Candidates shall be disqualified from appointment if he/she:

- a. has within the preceding 5 years been convicted in the UK, Channel Islands or the Isle of Man of any offence and has had passed on him/her a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than 3 months;
- b. has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his creditors;
- c. has been dismissed, otherwise than by reason of redundancy, or non-renewal of a fixed term contract, from any paid employment with a local government authority.

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This News Letter is only as good as the items received for publication.

Please keep sending in your news and thank you. Sybil Bremner.