

# Abergele Town Council

## MINUTES

A meeting of the Events Sub-Committee, was held at 6.30pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 in Room 4, Council Offices, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

137/19 **Attendance Register**

The Mayor, Cllr. S Jones-Roberts,  
Cllrs: D A MacRae (Chair); B. C. Roberts; A. Wood;  
Non-Voting member: Reverend Kate Johnson  
Mrs L Whalley (Deputy Clerk)

138/19 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs: D M Armstrong; P Heap-Williams; Iain Martin (RBL)

139/19 **Absent without Apologies**

None

140/19 **Declaration of Interest**

Members were reminded that they must declare the **existence** and **nature** of any personal interests (using the form provided for this purpose) None Declared

141/19 **Minutes**

The minutes from the last meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 were **RECEIVED** and **APPROVED**

142/19 **Matters Arising**

- a) A cost for reinstalling the WW1 soldier silhouettes in the Community to mark the D-Day Landings was **RECEIVED**. It was **RECOMMENDED** to **APPROVE** for payment. The silhouettes are to remain in situ for the foreseeable future but will be reviewed regularly from New Year 2021 onwards.
- b) Feedback from members who attended the D-Day Service was **RECEIVED**. Members felt that the format for the event was different and very interesting and that the service was a great success. A vote of thanks was proposed to Rev Kate for organising the event.
- c) Information regarding Colwyn Bay TC's community award scheme was **RECEIVED**, and members considered how such an event could work in Abergele. To clarify her original idea the Mayor expressed her wish that she would like to present an award to a member of the community to recognise services to the community, as part of her retiring ceremony at the Annual Meeting in May 2020. As such, this presentation would be a one-time occasion with no obligation on successive Mayors to follow suit. It was **RECOMMENDED** that Full Council **CONSIDER** that a 'Mayor's Award' item be included on the Agenda for the Annual Meeting 2020.

143/19 **Forthcoming Events Review**

- a) **Civic Service** –an update on the final arrangements was **RECEIVED**. The admin assistant is currently following up on the invitees, the schools' participation and the finishing touches to the Order of Service. The Mayor and Rev Kate will meet to confirm the Order of Service.
- b) **Remembrance Day** –A copy of the draft management plan from Llandudno TC was **RECEIVED**. The Plan was very detailed in respect of the size of the event at Llandudno and offered a comprehensive view of the factors to consider when compiling a plan. A first draft of a plan for Abergele Remembrance Day, mapping out the responsibilities for Abergele TC was also **RECEIVED**. Members DEFERRED formal consideration of the draft pending a decision by Full Council regarding events management services.

- c) Christmas Film – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2019. **DEFERRED** to the next meeting
- d) Christmas Service – 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2019 at 6pm. Rev Kate gave a brief overview of the format for this years' service which will once again feature the local schools and members of the community. The Mayor requested permission to hold a raffle on the night. Rev Kate suggested that the draw be made on the night of the service to allow raffle ticket sales ahead of the event.

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- e) VE Day – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020 – Members were updated on the national events taking place and **CONSIDERED** ways in which the occasion could be marked in the community. It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council:
  - i) - that an amount of £3000 is set aside to fund a grant scheme to support VE celebrations arranged by the community. (Capped at £500 per application).

Members also agreed that the importance of VJ day should not be forgotten during the VE celebrations.

VE Poppy wreaths are to be laid at the Rock of Peace and the two war Memorials at St Michael's Church and St George Village. In addition, Members also **CONSIDERED** the production of a special edition of the Newsletter containing stories and pictures of life in Abergele at the time and an appeal for stories is to be inserted into the Summer edition of the Newsletter.

Meeting Closed at: 19:25

Signed:.....  
(Chairman)