

Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

A meeting of the Placeplan Committee was held on Thursday 27th September 2018 at 2.30pm in the Main Chamber, Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

327/18 **Attendance Register**

The Mayor, Cllr. M D Bird,
Cllrs: A. Hunter; S. Jones-Roberts; C. McCoubrey; D A MacRae; M. Richards;
B. C. Roberts; A. Wood;
Mr Tomos Jones; Mr Shane Wetton CCBC (arrived at 2:35pm); Mrs Jeannette Dew
(arrived at 2:40pm)
Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)

Cllrs: G. Frost (non-member); R.M. Medlicott (non-member);
R.G. Waters (non-member);

328/18 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from:
Cllrs: Dr. M. Baker; P Heap-Williams; S Rowlands; Mrs Linda Tavernor;
Mr James Harland

329/18 **Absence with no apologies**

None

330/18 **Declaration of Interest**

- Members were reminded that they must declare the **existence** and **nature** of any personal and/or prejudicial interests (using the form provided for this purpose).
Mr Tomos Jones Min No: 332/18 (b) (ii)

331/18 **Minutes**

- **It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE AND SIGN the Minutes of the last Placeplan Committee meeting, held on 26th July 2018**

Shane Wetton arrived at this juncture

332/18 **Matters Arising from those and other Minutes**

a) An update from the Clerk with regard to the shop fronts presentation was RECEIVED. The Clerk informed members that Mrs Jeanette Dew had confirmed that a meeting of the Traders would be taking place in the near future and a date for the Shop front presentation would then be agreed. Shane Wetton will then confirm the dates considered to Mr Jones-Hughes.

Mrs Jeanette Dew arrived at this juncture

b) An update from CCBC with regard to the following was RECEIVED:
i) Parks and Playareas – repair work to the Playareas request 100% funding for 5 parks totalling £76k budget. The budget currently stands at £75,016, to include Open Spaces and allotments.
It was RESOLVED that the Place Plan S106 does not fund this request at this time and it was RECOMMENDED that the item is DEFERRED to the Council for consideration in the future.
ii) Old School Brief – Officers have viewed the brief, the scope for the school and the overall site. CCBC wish to consult with the public regarding the future of

the site, including the old School, Library, car park and Health Centre. Some parties are still to meet with the officers; therefore the brief cannot be circulated until each of the parties has been consulted.

Abergele Community Action is interested in the site and had secured funding for a feasibility study of the building but further funding will be required to carry out a feasibility study for the whole site. Once a meeting has taken place with the Health Authority then discussions can progress.

- iii) Tourism Signage – With Chris Jones at present and will require £30k from the S106 funding for approval. **It was RESOLVED to approve and sign off of the project**
- iv) Flying Start Family Centre – A request for a contribution towards the funding of a member of staff for the centre from the Welsh Language budget was RECEIVED. The budget currently has £42,124. This budget will also be required to fund the signage in item (iii) above.

It was RESOLVED to earmark £30k for the Signage and to DEFER the funding of the staff member for the Centre to a future date.

- v) Pensarn Development – the drop in session was deferred in September and is currently awaiting the results on the buildings in Pensarn.
 - vi) WI-FI – no update was received. A member enquired if Pensarn Promenade was/is included in the scheme.
- c) An update with regard to the Place Plan Working groups was RECEIVED. :
- i) A copy of proposed membership made up of members from Place Plan Committee and members of the Town Council for each of the Working groups was RECEIVED. Members debated the matter and it was AGREED that all of the members who had expressed an interest in being a member of the group to join and the current list was APPROVED.
(In order for the Committees to be as democratic as possible it is recommended that the same members do not sit on all of the groups)
 - ii) A copy of Standing Order no. 45 confirming the procedure for such Committees was RECEIVED.
 - a) *The Town Council may create advisory committees, whose name, and number of members and the bodies to be invited to nominate members shall be specified.*
 - b) *The Town Clerk shall inform the members of each advisory committee of the terms of reference of the committee.*
 - c) *An advisory committee may make recommendations and give notice thereof to the Town Council.*
 - d) *An advisory committee may consist wholly of persons who are not members of the Town Council.*

(The Terms of Reference for each of the Advisory Groups will be drafted with the relevant legislation for the Town Council to approve)

- iii) A request for the Theme Leads to confirm any lay-members of their Working group/Advisory Committee was NOTED.
- iv) To identify and prioritise the projects from the project lists into the Selected Advisory Groups (deferred from last meeting) was DEFERRED. Each Working group is to meet to discuss the priority of projects.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960 and with Standing Order no.68, it was RESOLVED that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

- d) A revised quotation from VCA with regard to the Town Centre Website was RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and APPROVED
- e) (i) A report from Chris Jones Regeneration and Shane Wetton with regard to extending his engagement for a further six months was RECEIVED. It was AGREED that a de-brief is to take place in the first instance. It was FURTHER AGREED that the next meeting of the Committee would meet with CCBC Officers and Chris Jones to discuss.
- (ii) An update from CCBC to agree if CCBC or ATC will be the contractee was RECEIVED. It was AGREED that either could issue the Contract and it was confirmed that the facilitator budget has been transferred to this heading.

333/18 **Update from the Theme leads on any progress to date was DEFERRED:**

- i) **Community Wellbeing and Culture**
- ii) **Business Tourism & Jobs**
- iii) **Access & Infrastructure**

Meeting Closed at 4:20pm

Signed
(Chairman)