

# Abergele Town Council

## MINUTES

A meeting of the POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE was held at 6.45pm on Thursday 18th April 2013, in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

649/12 **Attendance Register**

The Mayor, T. Rowlands;  
 Cllrs: G.P. Davies; D.A. MacRae; R.M. Medicott; D. Meredith; M. Roberts; S. Rowlands; K.J. Sudlow; R.G. Waters (Chairman); A. Wood  
 Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)

650/12 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from:  
 Clls: M.D. Bird; M. Bond; J.A. MacLennan; R.D. Peacock; B.C. Roberts; J. Stubbs

651/12 **Disclosure of Interest**

- Members were reminded that they must declare the **existence** and **nature** of any personal interests (using the form provided for this purpose).  
 Cllr R G Waters Min No:

652/12 **Minutes**

**-It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN the Minutes of the last meeting of the Policy & Finance Committee, held on the 21st March 2013.**

653/12 **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:**

- (a) Update regarding the Tree Warden post. **It was RESOLVED to inform the individual that this post is for observations mainly for Tree Preservation Orders and to request a copy of any reports that he has provided previously.**
- (b) Update regarding the installation of a Barrier in Pensarn was discussed. **It was RESOLVED to wait for Highways to have confirmation of their Budget before proceeding any further**
- (c) Cllr Waters outlined his proposal for a loan to Abergele Rugby Club in order to facilitate their modernization of the building. **After a lengthy discussion it was RESOLVED that the Clerk seeks advice from the Auditor regarding a loan and if acceptable then writes to the Rugby Club to inform them that the Town Council are willing to provide the said loan up to the value of £2060 on the condition that a Sports**

*Cllr Meredith arrived at this juncture*

**Association is formed which will include all of the Sporting and Recreational Groups that use the park. Forming of this group is to be confirmed to the Town Council in writing by the Chairman, Secretary and the Treasurer of the Club prior to the funds being released. The club will also need to confirm that all building and Planning regulations have been adhered to. The loan will then be offset against any grants awarded to the Club in the future.**

654/12 **Correspondence**

- The following items of correspondence were RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and NOTED:

- (a) The Trade Refuse and Recycling Charges for 2013/14 from CCBC
- (b) A letter from CCBC with the 2013/14 NNDR Charges
- (c) A letter from Canon with regard to a recent takeover of the Company
- (d) A letter from the Town Council's Bank with regard to their AGM
- (e) An email from Gwynedd Pensions with regard to Circular 268 and Auto Enrolment

655/12 **Public Works Loan Board**

Members considered the early repayment of the above loan due to the poor interest rates received on the savings accounts. **It was RESOLVED that the Clerk makes relevant enquires regarding the matter and returns to the Agenda for members observations.**

656/12 **Installation of a Water Heater**

- (a) Members APPROVED the a cost for the supply and installation of a water heater in the kitchen of the Town Hall subject to three quotation being received and the lowest cost being implemented.

657/12 **Staff Training**

- (i) Members APPROVED the Administration Officer to attend an ECDL course run by CCBC – which is free of charge unless he fails to attend then a charge of £50 will apply. **Members RESOLVED that if he fails to attend then the Administration Officer should cover the cost.**
- (ii) Members APPROVED for the Administration Officer to attend a First Aid Course, run by CCBC, as recommended by the recent Risk Assessment as good practice at a cost of £165

658/12 **To consider any urgent Items of Correspondence**

The Clerk requested confirmation from members present who would require an I Pad on the first round of the purchases. County Councillor's stated that they were happy to use their County I Pad's and of those present five I Pad's were required.

659/12 **The Financial Situation as at today was NOTED:-**

	£
Current Account	10170.08
Monthly Interest Account	52504.15
General Reserve	<u>51289.00</u>
	<u>113963.23</u>

**TOTAL:**

	£
Hall & Development Account	<u>56418.54</u>
Regeneration Reserve	<u>521.94</u>

660/12 **Payment of Accounts**

The payment of accounts falling due, as detailed on Schedule 'A' and 'B' attached were AUTHORISED.

661/12 **Documents for information**

The following documents for information were NOTED

- (a) Gwynedd Pension Auto Enrolment
- (b) Gwynedd Pension update 268
- (c) Swansea Annual Review 2012

Meeting closed at 7:55pm

Signed .....

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## SCHEDULE 'B'

Payments authorised as at 18th April 2013:

		<b>Chq No:</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Incl. VAT</b>	<b>Notes / Statutory Powers</b>
			£	£	(new or unusual payments)
1	Salaries	DD	2915.22		April Payment (not confirmed)
2	CCBC	DD	696.00		
3	Scottish Power	DD	67.00	10.59	
4	Bank Charges	DD			
5	BT Broadband	DD	64.80	10.80	quarterly charges
6	S J Ward	104570	68.00	13.00	replair of floodlight
7	CCBC	104571	146.25		trade recycling
8	NWATLCC	104572	29.00		lunches x 2
9	Clerks & Councils direct	104573	180.00		2013 copies x 15
10	PWLB	DD	2016.67		loan repayment
11	Cathedral leasing	104574	13.00	2.17	April Payment
12	Gwynedd Pension		875.31		April Payment (not confirmed)
13	HMRC		690.95		April Payment (not confirmed)
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	<b>Total Payments</b>	12	7,762.20	36.56	

\*\* Under the Local Government Act 1972, Sect. 137 & 139, the Council can incur expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area or it's inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.