

# Abergele Town Council

## MINUTES

A meeting of the POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE was held at 6.45pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017, in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

### 688/16 Attendance Register

Cllrs: M.D. Bird; M. Bond; A. Hunter; S. Jones-Roberts;  
D.A. MacRae (Chair); R.M. Medicott; G. Maddison; B. C. Roberts;  
S Rowlands; T. Rowlands; R.G. Waters; A. Wood;  
Mrs L Whalley (Deputy Clerk)

Member of the Public

### 689/16 Apologies for Absence

Cllr.C MacRae

### 690/16 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). The following declarations were received:

Cllr B C Roberts	Min No: 696/16 Sched A Travel Expenses
Cllr A Wood	Min no: 694/16 (i)–(v) Grants
Cllr A Hunter	Min no: 694/16 (v) Grants

### 691/16 Minutes

The Minutes of the Policy & Finance Committee, held on the Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017 were **RECEIVED, APPROVED** and **SIGNED**

### 692/16 Matters arising on those minutes

- (a) (i) An update with regard to the adoption of the telephone box in St George, for the installation of the Defibrillator to the following:
- i. Who is the owner of the land that the telephone is situated on?  
A: CCBC NOTED
  - ii. Does the Council need change of use to install the defibrillator?  
A. Awaiting response from Planning **NOTED**
  - iii. Who is responsible for the supply electricity supply and the ongoing maintenance?  
A. ATC **NOTED**
  - iv. Will the emergency services be contacted to inform them that a telephone is no longer located in the box?  
A. ATC will undertake to notify the relevant authorities. **NOTED**
  - v. Can the telephone box once brought up to standard be listed?  
A. Telephone box is listed **NOTED**

### 693/16 Correspondence

- a) An email and report from the Independent Remuneration for Wales with regard to the recent event attended by the Clerk in Venue Cymru was **RECEIVED**.

- b) An email from Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy with regard to the use of the mapping system for Town Council use. Consideration to be **DEFERRED** pending further explanation of any implications this may have on staff workload.
- c) An email from Planning Aid Wales with regard to an event of Place Plans - rolling out the Concept on the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017 was **RECEIVED**. The Clerk's request to attend the event was **APPROVED**. It was **NOTED** that if any Councillors wished to attend, they should book via the office.
- d) A letter from CCBC with a request to consider funding the Keep it Clean – No messing campaign was **CONSIDERED**. It was **RESOLVED to invite Bethan Lloyd to a future meeting to provide more detail and statistics on why and how much financial support is needed and how funds raised from fines are utilized**.
- e) A report from Gwynedd Pension Fund with the Town Council's contribution rates to 2020 was **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** but the Clerk is to asked to clarify why the rate and top up amount differ from other councils.
- f) An e-mail from the Stroke Club regarding Pensarn Planters was **NOTED**

**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, the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and instructed to withdraw.**

*Cllr Wood and the Member of the public left the chamber*

694/16 **Grants**

The following grant applications for 2017/18 were **RECEIVED** and **CONSIDERED** in view of their projects requiring financial support ahead of the closing date :

**Local Sports Clubs**

- (i) Abergele Golf Club £250.00 **APPROVED**
- (ii) Abergele Bowling Club £500.00 **APPROVED**

**Local Social/Recreational**

- (iii) Abergele Ladies Wednesday Club £200 **APPROVED**

**Entertainment Arts**

- (iv) Llangollen International Eisteddfod **DEFERRED** for clarification on what has been issued previously

*Cllr Hunter left the chamber*

- (v) Abergele Carnival Association £1000 **APPROVED** pending receipt of full paperwork

*Cllrs Wood and Hunter and the member of the public returned.*

695/16 **The Financial Situation as at 19/04/2017 was NOTED:-**

Current Account	£33,683.50
Monthly Interest Account	£10,663.50
General Reserve	£52,408.32
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	

Hall & Development Account

£59,268.78

696/16      **Payment of Accounts**

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

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697/16      **Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees were **RECEIVED**:

- (i) Local Govt Sub Committee meeting 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017
- (ii) Newsletter Sub Committee meeting 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017
- (iii) Newsletter Sub-Committee meeting 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017
- (iv) Marketing & Promotion SC meeting 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017

12. **Documents for information**

Meeting closed: 19.30

Signed: ..... (Chair)

## Abergele Town Council

### SCHEDULE 'B'

Payments to be authorised as at 20th April 2017

		Chq No:	Total £	Incl. VAT £	Notes / Statutory Powers (new or unusual payments)
1	Salaries	DD	£4,584.44		monthly salaries
2	CCBC	DD	£744.00		April monthly charge
3	Scottish Power	DD	£25.00	1.25	Monthly charge
4	Bank Charges	DD	£12.74		monthly charge
5	BT Phone	DD			
6	HMRC	DD	£1,362.86		monthly payment
7	Gwynedd Pensions	DD	£1,517.01		
8	Clerical Medical	DD	£40.00		
9	Cathedral Leasing	DD	£13.00	2.19	Hygeine Supplies
11	Pitney Bowes	000650	£15.54	2.59	Monthly rental Charge
12	Best One	000651	£11.95		Newspapers
13	WNW x2	000652	£75.53	12.59	Office Supplies
14	Skills Academy glasdir	000653	£46.80	7.80	Telephone Skills Course
15	Thomas Fattorini Ltd	000654	£77.16	12.86	Handmade silver gilt bar for Mayor's medal
16	Clerks & Councils Direct	000655	£48.00		subscription renewal
17	CVSC	000656	£15.00		CVSC membership
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<b>Total Payments</b>		7	£8,589.03	35.84	

\*\* 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.