

Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

A meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES and PLANNING COMMITTEE was held at 6:45pm on Thursday 23rd June 2016 in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

86/16 A Message from the Mayor

The Mayor, Cllr J MacLennan, opened the meeting to officially inform members that former Councillor and Past Mayor (2008) Mr Ron Peacock had passed away. The Mayor also spoke of the recent tragic death of Jo Cox MP. After paying tribute to Mr Peacock, the Mayor asked Members to stand for a minute's silence as a mark of respect. **Letters of condolence are to be sent to both families.**

87/16 Attendance Register

The Mayor, J.A. MacLennan;
Cllrs: M. Bond; J Hudson; A. Hunter; S. Jones-Roberts; C. MacRae; D.A. MacRae;
R.M. Medlicott; G. Maddison; B. C. Roberts; S Rowlands (arrived at 6:55pm); R.G.
Waters; A. Wood (arrived at 6:50pm);
Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk) Mrs L Whalley (Deputy Clerk)

88/16 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs: M.D. Bird; D. Hancock; T. Rowlands;

89/16 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). **NONE** declared.

90/16 Visitors to the Council

Cllr Wood arrived at this juncture

Standing Orders were suspended

- (a) Jan Williams, Community Champion, from Tesco Abergele was welcomed to the meeting. Mrs Williams gave Members an overview of the Community engagement events that the store has been involved in and of the forthcoming 'zero food waste' project which involves distribution of Tesco's surplus food to charities local to Abergele. Members suggested that Mrs Williams contact CVSC as a means to contact local charities. Community grants will be available from the carrier bag levy and Tesco are keen to encourage more applications for the grants from community groups in the Abergele area as the number of applications to date has been very low. Tesco is also helping to promote Abergele Carnival by holding a bag pack event and will be supporting Pensarn Prom Day in August.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Williams for her attendance and update.

Cllr S Rowlands arrived at this juncture

- (b) Mr James Harland, Principal Planning Officer who was to provide members with an overview of the Abergele Placeplan was unable to attend the meeting.

- (c) Mr Victor Turner, CCBC, was welcomed to the meeting. Mr Turner provided Members with an overview of the Parking Strategy being considered by Conwy County Borough Council. A review of all Pay & Display and free carparks was undertaken with a view to increasing revenues in the light of budgetary restraints. Use of some carparks is such that the cost of installing Pay and Display machines is not cost effective therefore, proposals are being considered by Conwy to lease or dispose of some of the carparks. Pay and Display revenue figures for three carparks in Abergele were projections and discussion followed as to the Members concerns about the cost of leasing, cost of maintenance, fair tariffs and the need to protect free parking hours to lessen the impact on footfall and businesses in the town.

The Chairman thanked Mr Turner for his attendance.

Standing orders were re-instated

91/16 **Minutes**

It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN the Minutes from the last meeting of the General Purpose and Planning Committee, held on the 19th May 2016, with one amendment to Min No. 38/16 (c)(i) to read 'emailed' and not 'spoken'.

92/16 **Matters arising on those Minutes**

- (a) A letter from CCBC with regard to Parking Strategy following the presentation above was **RECEIVED**. Members requested clarification on the actual costs, what responsibilities would the Town Council be expected to take on, and how the figures for the costs have been derived i.e. how many people will stay for 1 hour etc. **It was RESOLVED to forward the information to the next meeting of the Parks and Street Scene Committee for consideration.**
- (b) An update from CCBC with regard to the traffic on Kinmel Avenue (deferred from the last meeting) The Clerk informed members that no update had been received to date. **It was RESOLVED to continue to chase an update and to copy to the Chief Executive**
- (c) An update from CCBC with regard to a request for an officer to attend a meeting with regard to dog fouling. No response from Kingdom has been received to date. It was **AGREED** that Cllr Hunter would chase a follow up.
- (d) An update from Fields in Trust with regard to a request to arrange a meeting with County members to discuss putting a motion to the County Council to request that consideration be given to Pentre Mawr Park becoming a Field in Trust was **RECEIVED**.
The Clerk informed members that Rhodri from Fields in Trust would be attending prior to the Committee meetings in September
- (e) A copy of an email from CCBC with regard to 0/38250 old ATS, Abergele was **NOTED**

93/16 **Correspondence**

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

- (a) CVSC and OVW emailed to members from 28th May to 17th June 2016
- (b) A confidential email from the Woodland Trust with regard to Coed y Gopa and an update with regard to the dog bin

- (c) Homeinstead with regard to their recent Abergele Dementia Friends meeting NOTED
- (d) An email from CCBC with regard to a new cable for the solar panels NOTED
- (e) An email from CCBC with regard to a road closure on Meirion to Berllan NOTED
- (f) An email from OVW with regard to Committee members for the Heritage Lottery Fund NOTED
- (g) An email from the National Audit Office with regard to the recent Consultation submission NOTED
- (h) An email from CCBC with regard to Community Award nominations NOTED
- (i) An email from CCBC with regard to a temporary Traffic regulation on Rhuddlan Road NOTED
- (j) An email from OVW with regard to a forthcoming meeting of the Area Committee NOTED
- (k) An email from OVW with regard to Code of practice on Workforce matters NOTED

94/16 **Planning Matters**

- a) Planning Applications: - Planning applications, as detailed on Schedule 'A' were considered and concluded as detailed thereon
- b) Planning Decisions - issued by C.C.B.C. for the Abergele area, as detailed on Schedule 'B' were NOTED.

95/16 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees were RECEIVED:

- (a) Parks & Street Scene Committee held on the 18th April 2016

The meeting closed at : 20:10

Signed:
(Chairman)

Abergele Town Council Schedule 'A'

Planning Applications - Considered 23rd June 2016.

Date	Planning Ref No.	Description	Location	Applicant(s)	Observations/Objections
23/06/2016	0/42851 Elizabeth Wood	Proposed garage conversion and extension	Bryn Teg Llanfair Road, Abergele, LL22 8DH	Mr Rod Gilmore	No observations
23/06/2016	0/4882 Ruth Evans	Demolish partially and partially rebuild boundary wall, create vehicular access for wheelchair user.	Pendragon Lodge, St George Road, St George, LL22 9BW	Mrs Lucy Hay	OBJECTIONS: Property is in a conservation area. Road safety hazard as the entrance is on a corner.
23/06/2016	0/42900 Katy Roberts	Erection of 158 dwellings, access works and landscaping	Land at Abergele Business Park	MacBryde homes	OBSERVATIONS: Ensure that infrastructure is brought up to standard. Traffic management and congestion. Ensure S106 monies are received. . Ensure impact assessments are carried out.

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SCHEDULE 'B'

Planning Decisions issued by Conwy County Borough Council between 09.05.16-05.06.16

0/42672 Proposed retention of new vertical extraction ductwork to rear elevation from ground floor to eaves level. The Bee Hotel Abergele

Decision **Approved with Conditions**

0/42694 Change of use from A1 retail use to A3 hot food takeaway. 31.-33 Market Street

Decision **Approved with conditions**

0/42702 Display of 1no illuminated free standing pole mounted V-Board advertising housing Land off Rhuddlan Road (A547)

Decision **Approved with Conditions**

0/42729 Proposed extension to first floor (Above existing garage). 3 Bryn Gwelfor Abergele

Decision **Approved with conditions**
