Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

A meeting of the Parks, Street Scene and CCTV Sub-Committee was held on Monday 15th January 2018 at 7.00pm in Room 4, Council Offices, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

537/17. Attendance Register

Cllrs: G. Frost; A. Hunter; S Rowlands (Chair); A. Wood;

Mrs L Whalley (Deputy Clerk)

In attendance: Mr. Andrew Wilkinson CCBC; Mr Victor Turner CCBC

538/17. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs: D M Armstrong; Dr. M. Baker; M.D. Bird; R.M. Medlicott; B. C. Roberts; R.G. Waters:

539/17. Absence without Apology

None

540/17. **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

541/17. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Street Scene Sub-Committee held on Monday 6th November 2017 were **RECEIVED** and **APPROVED**.

542/17. **Matters arising:**

- a) The Glan Dwr Bus Shelter project is now complete, the new shelter having been installed on 5th January. Cllr Hunter thanked the committee for their support and the Deputy Clerk for her work.
- b) A response from Abergele District Action Group regarding planting and maintenance of the Pensarn planters was **RECEIVED** and **NOTED**. The Action Group have agreed to maintain the planters on a voluntary basis. The Chair and Secretary of the group are to be invited to a future meeting. Cllr Hunter requested that the residents group in Pensarn be approached to provide assistance with maintaining the planters on Marine Road.

Carparks

- c) f) Items were considered en bloc.
- i. Mr Turner and Mr Wilkinson were welcomed to the meeting and thanked for their time and co-operation with Cllr Wood in his preparation of the carparking reports. The Committee also thanked Cllr Wood for his extensive work in researching and compiling the reports.

The content of the reports containing financial information relating to all three carparks in Abergele was discussed at length with the officers. The calculation of costs and revenues by the consultants, CCBC and Cllr Wood was debated in depth but a shared view could not be reached. CCBC officers indicated that all offers would be considered.

In summing up, the Committee was advised that their offers should encompass the level of responsibility the Town Council wishes to accept and the type of deal (i.e. purchase, lease or sponsorship) that best suits that expectation based on whether the Town Council would charge for parking or not. In terms of leasehold the officers

confirmed that the recommendation made in Cllr Wood's final report was not something CCBC would be interested in.

Mr Turner and Mr Wilkinson were thanked for their time and left the meeting.

The Committee then considered the options. In the first instance, purchase of the carparks was not considered a viable option for the Town Council at this time; however members felt that a long term view should be taken. Sponsorship was ruled out as being too risky.

- ii. The Committee makes the following RECOMMENDATION to Full Council:
 - i. that the Town Council offers £1000 per carpark (Market St, Water St and Pensarn Prom) per annum whereby the Town Council undertakes to take control of maintenance on the proviso that Water St is brought up to standard by CCBC before takeover.
 - ii. that the Town Council sets aside £8167 per annum for carpark maintenance. Insurance will remain with CCBC.

Footpath Maintenance Scheme

- c) Details of footpaths to be included in the scheme were RECEIVED. Footpaths 10,19,21,24 have been identified for the scheme which amount to 4216m. Each footpath requires varying degrees of upgrade and ongoing maintenance. Quotes for ongoing maintenance are to be invited.
- 543/17. The ERF log was considered and it was NOTED that the streetlighting in Dundonald Avenue was still out of order. ERF liaising with the power supplier. No other ongoing difficulties were reported.

Meeting closed:	20:55
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Signed	(Chairman)