

Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

A meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES and PLANNING COMMITTEE, was held at 6:45pm on Thursday 16th November 2017 in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

414/17 **Attendance Register**

The Mayor, D A MacRae;
 Cllrs: D M Armstrong; Dr. M. Baker; M. Bond; G. Frost; A. Hunter;
 S. Jones-Roberts; R.M. Medlicott; M. Richards; B. C. Roberts; S Rowlands;
 R.G. Waters; A. Wood;
 Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)

415/17 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from:
 Cllrs: M.D. Bird; C. McCoubrey;

416/17 **Absence without Apologies**

None

417/17 **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).

Declarations of interest were received from:

Cllr. A Hunter	Min No:	423/17	0/44553
Cllr. S. Rowlands	Min No:	423/17	0/44553

418/17 **Visitor to the Council**

Standing orders were suspended

The Chairman welcomed Mr Rod Brocklehurst from Fairtrade to the meeting who provided members with information regarding the Fairtrade status for Abergele. Mr Brocklehurst informed members that Fairtrade has enhanced three sections of people's lives by encouraging the use of Fairtrade. Establishments that can use Fairtrade include Churches of which there are two in Abergele - St Paul's and St Theresa's who include Fairtrade thoughts in their prayers. Abergele was the first Fairtrade Town in Wales. The group have applied to retain the Fairtrade status and should receive confirmation in the near future. Their aim is to encourage younger people to join and are grateful for funding from the Town Council and input from Councillors especially Cllr Medlicott and Cllr Rowlands.

The group are hoping to encourage people to ask for Fairtrade products in the Town and it was suggested by members that this is promoted through the Newsletter. Some local stores have switched from Fairtrade to their own local products in the Town. Members thanked the Committee for their hard work since 2010 and stated that there is a risk that the County will lose its Fairtrade status, the Conwy Cohillation are concerned.

The Chairman thanked Mr Brocklehurst for attending

Standing orders were reinstated

419/17 **Minutes**

-It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN the Minutes of the last meeting of the General Purposes and Planning Committee, held on 19th October 2017

420/17 **Matters arising on those and previous minutes**

- (a) An update from the Clerk following the recent meeting regarding devolved Tax raising powers was RECEIVED. The Clerk informed members that the Welsh Revenue Authority has now been formed, income tax for Wales will be devolved in 2019. The WRA has 65 members of staff and will consider the Welsh language, a charter will be produced before April 2018.
- (b) A report from Cllr Roberts the Town Council representatives of NAMWALC following the meeting on the 27th October was RECEIVED. Cllr Roberts informed members that the secretary will be writing to all Councils with regard to reducing packaging at source. A letter of support has been received from the Minister. Rail matters - increase trains in Mid Wales, electrify the lines in North Wales. There are currently only two companies who have submitted for the franchise. Data Protection regulations come into force on the 25th May 2018 and penalties for non-compliance. Funding for this should be included in the Estimates. Members enquired what capacity is available with the work force and that advice should be sought on how much work will be expected. Matter was DEFERRED to Executive Committee.
- (c) An email from the Colwyn Bay and Abergele District Twinning Association was RECEIVED.
- (d) An update from Darren Millar AM with regard to noise mitigation fencing on the A55 was RECEIVED. A note of thanks for recorded for Mr Millar's persistence on this matter.

421/17 **Correspondence**

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

- (a) CVSC and OVW emailed to members from 26th October 2017 to 10th November 2017
- (b) A notice of Road Closure for Glanrafon from CCBC
- (c) A notice for date amendment to the commencement of work on Coed Eithin
- (d) A letter from CCBC with regard to signage and maps was RECEIVED. The Clerk informed members that the office were drafting a reply if any members are able to contribute she would be grateful.
- (e) An email from OVW/WG regarding the revised Local Government Scheme 2017 to promote closer working
- (f) An email from OVW/WG regarding a consultation on proposed amendment to Local Authorities Regulation 2013
- (g) An email from OVW/WG with regard to a Future of Work in Wales
- (h) A survey from WG with regard to Good practice exchange was RECEIVED. It was RECOMMENDED to forward to the Local Government Sub Committee for consideration.

422/17 **Draft Minutes**

- (a) The following DRAFT Minutes were RECEIVED and CONSIDERED:
 - (i) The Draft Minutes from the last meeting of the Abergele Place Plan

423/17 **Planning Matters**

- (a) Planning Applications: The applications, as detailed below were considered and concluded as detailed on the Schedule A thereon.

Date	Planning Ref No.	Description http://www.conwy.gov.uk/northgate/englishplanningexplorer/generalsearch.aspx	Location	Applicant(s)
16.11.17	0/44467 Sion Roberts	Demolition of 2 no. dwellings, the extension of an existing vehicle sales area together with new boundary treatments.	Belan Cottage Rhuddlan Road Abergele Conwy LL22 7HG	Threeways Garage Ltd
16.11.17	0/44468 Matthew Bardsley	To Prune 1 no. sycamore tree.	4 Trem Y Mor Abergele LL22 7DZ	Mr B Latham
16.11.17	0/44519 Sion Roberts	Discharge of condition 2 of planning consent 0/44121 (Alterations, renovations and single storey kitchen extension to rear of existing property (Part Retrospective))	The Coach House Bridge Street Abergele Conwy LL22 7HA	Mr Mike Watts
16.11.17	0/44553	Construction of 1 no detached dwelling and garage, utilising existing vehicular access	3 Maes Canol, Abergele, LL22 7PA	Mr P Rossington
16.11.17	0/44559	Erection of 3no detached two storey dwellings, detached double garage and construction of private access road.	The Hideaway, Brynhyfryd Grove, Abergele, LL22 7HD	Mr Peter Thompson

- b) Planning Decisions – The planning decisions as detailed on Schedule ‘B’ – as issued by CCBC for the Abergele area were NOTED.

SCHEDULE ‘B’

Planning Decisions issued by Conwy County Borough Council between 11.09.17 – 08.10.17

- 0/44212 Demolition of Existing Dwelling and Construction of Replacement Dwelling with Associated Landscaping.
(Bryn Coed Tan Y Gopa Road, Abergele, LL22 8DT)

Decision: Approved with conditions

0/44246 Variation of condition no 2 of planning approval 0/43968 (Proposed rear extensions) to allow for amendment to approved drawings.
(51 Lon Y Berllan, Abergele, LL22 7JF)

Decision: Approved with conditions

0/44431 Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed extension to dwelling.
(43 Turnberry Drive Abergele, Conwy, LL22 7UD)

Decision: Approved

424/17 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees were RECEIVED:

- a) Heritage Sub Committee held on the 8th October 2015
- b) Parks, Street Scene and CCTV Sub Committee held on the 2nd October 2017

425/17 **Documents for information**

The following documents for information were NOTED

- a) 4 imprint
- b) War Memorials Trust
- c) Play for Wales
- d) Clerks and Councils Direct

Meeting Closed at 7:40pm

Signed
(Chairman)