

# Abergele Town Council

## MINUTES

A meeting of the Police Liaison Sub-Committee, was held at 5.30pm on Monday 18th September 2017 in Room 4, Council Offices, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

### 221/17 Attendance Register

The Mayor, D A MacRae; (Chair)  
Cllrs: R.M. Medlicott; A. Wood;  
Mrs L Whalley (Deputy-Clerk)  
In attendance: PS123 Andrea Verburg; C3437 Robert Antrobus

### 222/17 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs: M Bird; C. McCoubrey; A. Hunter;

### 223/17 Absence without Apologies

None

### 224/17 Declaration of Interest

Members were reminded that they must declare the nature and existence of any personal and/or prejudicial interests, using the form provided for this purpose. None Declared

### 225/17 Minutes

The Minutes from the last meeting of the Police Liaison Sub Committee, held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were RECEIVED, APPROVED and SIGNED,

### 226/17 Matters arising

#### **Section 1**

- a) Pub Watch – Interest in the Pubwatch scheme is waning. The scheme is designed for Landlords to take ownership and collaborate with each other, however, without NWP involvement in bringing the Landlords together it is proving difficult to keep momentum going. Currently, except for sporadic spikes in activity, there are no major issues, concerns or reports regarding the pubs.
- b) Trading Standards – Regular inspections take place monthly in Towyn, Pensarn and Abergele. There are no concerns to report. Communications between CCBC and NWP remain good.
- c) Crime Prevention - NWP regularly attend or organise events promoting Crime Prevention in the community.

#### **Section 2**

- e) Shop lifting – Very few problems currently except for one local persistent offender who continues to offend at the same outlet despite having been caught and fined. Advisory from NWP to the retailer is disregarded.
- f) Traffic  
Problems with parking in Maes Canol during the school run continue to persist and cause great frustration amongst residents. NWP maintain a presence during these times but do not have enforcement powers. Requests for extra enforcement from other sources are unanswered. The grass verges are becoming damaged and ideas for limiting this damage have been ignored. The Deputy Clerk to write to CCBC, copied to Cartrefi Conwy to formally request that suggestions put forward by NWP are given consideration. The Deputy Clerk is also to write to the PCC to request that parking enforcement powers be returned to Police Officers.

#### **Section 3**

g) Antisocial Behaviour - There has been heightened activity with travellers arriving and setting up unauthorised camps in the area this season. NWP achieved a successful eviction of travellers off private land due to criminal damage having taken place. On Council land the County Borough Council have to go to court for a court order and this process takes time.

The incident of a homeless person camping on Pensarn Prom was different in character and was eventually resolved by CCBC.

The Deputy Clerk is to write to CCBC to request that when obtaining a court order, they liaise with NWP to ensure that a 1-year ban with no return for 12mths is obtained as opposed to an interim order.

227/17 **Correspondence & Deferred items**

- a) An e-mail from Sgt Andrea Verburg regarding Agenda items for this sub committee was RECEIVED. Following discussion with regard to the relevance of the topics on the Agenda it was decided to replace Pub Watch and Trading Standards in Section 1 with the heading **Drugs, Alcohol & Environment** to deal with spikes in criminal activity related to these issues. Section 2 to remain the same and section 3 to be headed **Community Feedback** to deal with issues raised by the public (including anti-social issues) via NWP or local councillors.
  
- b) An e-mail from Eilwen Jones, Emergency Planning Officer for the North Wales Councils, Community Resilience Plan was **RECEIVED**. It was felt that Community Resilience plans were for the County to action and that this Council would consider any such plan for adoption when asked to do so by CCBC

Meeting Closed: 18.30

Signed: ..... (Chair)