

Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

Cyfarfod Cyffredinol y Cyngor i'w gynnal ar Dydd Iau, 19 Hydref, 2017 am 6.45 y.h. yn Neuadd y Dref, Ffordd Llanddulas, Abergele.

A meeting of the POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE was held at 6.45pm on Thursday 19th October 2017, in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

316/17 Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register

The Mayor, D A MacRae;

Cllrs: D M Armstrong; Dr. M. Baker; M.D. Bird; G. Frost; A. Hunter;

S. Jones-Roberts; C. McCoubrey; R.M. Medlicott; M. Richards; B. C. Roberts (Chairman); A. Wood;

Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)

Mr Andrew Wilkinson CCBC ERF (arrived at 7pm)

Mr Lyn Davies CCBC ERF

County Councillor P Heap-Williams

Member of the public

317/17 Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb - Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:

Cllrs M. Bond; S Rowlands; R.G. Waters;

318/17 Yn absennol heb ymddiheuriad - Absence without Apologies

None

319/17 Datganiad o Ddiddordeb- Disclosure of Interest

Atgoffir aelodau ei bod yn rhaid iddynt ddatgan bodolaeth a natur unrhyw fantais personol (gan ddefnyddio'r ffurflen a ddarperir ar gyfer y pwrpas hwnnw).

- Members are reminded that they must declare the **existence** and **nature** of any personal interests (using the form provided for this purpose).

Declarations were received from:

Cllr B C Roberts	Min No:	325/17
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Cllr G Frost	Min No:	325/17
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Cllr C McCoubrey	Min No:	325/17
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320/17 Visitor to the Council

Standing orders were suspended

The Chairman welcomed Mr Lyn Davies, Open Spaces Manager from ERF to the meeting who provided members with information regarding the Field in Trust application for Pentre Mawr Park. Mr Davies informed members that dedicating the park as a Field in Trust will protect in perpetuity as a Field in Trust and an overview of how the reports were constructed. The recommendation by senior officers is for a 5m buffer zone along the park where it butts the roads on Sea Road and Dundonald Avenue. Mr Davies also confirmed that he had received information confirming that ATC and Friends of the Abergele Parklands were not happy with the exclusion zone.

Mr Davies stated that he has agreed to meet with members to discuss a compromise and proposes that the buffer zone along Dundonald Avenue is removed from the exclusion zone but the Sea Road zone is retained Any amendments will have to be resubmitted to the Committee.
Members discussed the options with Mr Davies.

Standing orders were reinstated

It was RECOMMENDED by Cllr Wood that the compromise is accepted and was seconded by Cllr McCoubrey.

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to RECOMMEND to CCBC that Overview & Scrutiny Economy Place and CCBC Cabinet, approve the removal of Dundonald Avenue from the buffer zone and the buffer zone on Sea Road is retained in the proposal.

321/17 **Cofnodion – Minutes**

It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN the Minutes of the Policy & Finance Committee, held on Thursday 21st September 2017

322/17 **Matters arising**

- (a) An update regarding the provision of a CCTV in the Pensarn ward was RECEIVED. Cllr Hunter thanks members for their support.
- (b) An update from the Clerk with regard to taking over the Abergele car parks and an email with regard a consultation for proposed charges to the car parks was RECEIVED. Cllr Wood provided an overview of the income from the Car Parks.
It was RESOLVED to request the following information from CCBC
 - (i) The results of the discontinued pilot scheme**
 - (ii) That the consultation on the charging is deferred until after the meetings between CCBC and ATC has taken place and the pilot scheme is completed.**
 - (iii) Members requested the interim results from the free car parking for their consideration.****The information above to be forwarded to the Parks, Street Scene and CCTV Sub Committee for consideration.**
- (c) A copy of the pledges by the Town Council to assist with the Town becoming dementia friendly and an update from the Mayor/Town Council representative regarding the recent event held at the Town Hall was RECEIVED. Cllr Hunter informed members that it was a good evening and thanked the Mayor, Staff and Cllr Frost for their support.
- (d) An email update from the Clerk with regard to the Heritage lighting on Llanddulas Road was RECEIVED. Members requested clarification from CCBC on when and why the concrete columns had been removed. Members also requested information as to why the Town Council was not informed that columns had been removed and that the new scheme would include replacement lights in the said locations.

323/17 **Gohebiaeth - Correspondence**

- a) The support and maintenance costs for the Finance system for 2018/19 were RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and APPROVED.
- b) An email from Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales and consider the points raised in Section 13 of the report was RECEIVED. The Chairman

informed members that the NAMWALC had disregarded the document and that the Panel does not have the power to be able to instruct Councils to make mandatory payments to Councillors. It was RECOMMENDED that the item be deferred to the next meeting in order for the Clerk to clarify the points raised.

- c) An email from a member of the Abergele District Action group with regard to the provision of toilets in the park was RECEIVED. Members discussed the provision of toilets and requested that Steve Teal from CCBC be requested to attend a future meeting to present to members regarding the provision. It was RECOMMENDED to thank the group and inform them that the Council is viewing the provision of toilets.
- d) An email and report from CVSC Playing out was RECEIVED. **It was RESOLVED to invite the Officer to a meeting to present to members.**
- e) A letter from the Town Council's photocopying company with regard to a takeover of the company was NOTED
- f) A letter of thanks from Help for Heroes for the recent donation raised at the Passchendaele service was NOTED
- g) A letter of thanks from Abergele Golf Club for their recent grant was NOTED
- h) A letter of thanks from the Abergele Association of traders for their recent grant was NOTED

324/17 **The Financial Situation as at today was NOTED:-**

Current Account	58814.03
Monthly Interest Account	60682.16
General Reserve	<u>52408.32</u>
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>£171904.51</u>

Hall & Development Account	<u>£59268.78</u>
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325/17 **Payment of Accounts**

The payment of accounts falling due, as detailed on Schedule 'A' attached was APPROVED with the total payment of £52,362.55.

326/17 **Monthly Report**

A copy of the Monthly Report as at 30th September 2017(added to dropbox) was RECEIVED and a virement from the Town Guide to Newsletter budget heading of £1600 due to a budget reduction in the Newsletter was APPROVED

327/17 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees was RECEIVED:

- a) Marketing & Promotion Sub Committee held on the 12th July 2017
- b) Newsletter Sub Committee held on the 26th June 2017

328/17 **Documents for information**

The following documents for information were RECEIVED.

- a) St Kentigern News
- b) Itaca AGM

Meeting Closed at 8:10pm

Signed
(Chairman)