

# Abergele Town Council

## MINUTES

Cyfarfod Cyffredinol y Cyngor i'w Cynhaliwyd ar Dydd Iau, 20 Gorffennaf, 2017 am 6.45y.h.yn Neuadd y Dref, Ffordd Llanddulas, Abergele.

A meeting of the POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE was held at 6.45pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017, in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

158/17 **Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register**

Cllrs: D M Armstrong; M.D. Bird; M. Bond; G. Frost; A. Hunter;  
S. Jones-Roberts; C. McCoubrey; R.M. Medlicott; M. Richards; B. C. Roberts;  
M Roberts; S Rowlands; A. Wood;  
Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)  
County Cllr Pauline Heap-Williams

159/17 **Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb - Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from:

Cllrs: Dr. M. Baker; D A MacRae; R.G. Waters;

160/17 **Datganiad o Ddiddordeb- 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).

Cllr G. Frost Min No: 171/17 (b)

161/17 **Visitor to the Council**

*Standing orders were suspended*

The Chairman welcomed Ms Lianne Martin, Senior Environmental Health Officer from CCBC to the meeting who provided members with an update regarding Clean Neighbourhoods. Ms Martin provided members with a Cleanliness report relating to Dog fouling and litter problems, which has been out to consultation with the public and the response was that the County Council should have a tougher stance.

The section received £5k from Tidy Towns and a LOCI grant for poo bags and are now seeking funding to continue, as dog fouling is not a statutory function of the County Council funding is therefore an issue. The Section were awarded £60k from Keep Wales Tidy to fund fouling and litter projects and stretched the fund to the Abergele area with Ambassadors to attend events, provide information, education and a Facebook page. They also built up relationships with Dog Trust, RSPCA, etc. CCBC are contacting all Town & Community Councils to join a funded project, which will fund litter picks in hotspots, act as Ambassadors with regard to enforcement, forward on dog fouling and litter complaints, fund dog bags, pocket ash trays etc.

*Cllr Morris Roberts arrived at this juncture*

There is an offer to work with members within their ward to engage with residents to identify the hot spots and to work with the schools in their wards.

ATC can identify the hot spots, CCBC will provide a leaflet drop, run competitions etc. CCBC will run a competition with the schools to design signage for the area.

Costs breakdown are as follows:

1 CCTV camera = £350  
 Competition Signs £35 each (lifespan 25 years)  
 Dog hotspot signs £20 each  
 Marketing £400  
 Administration £20 per hour

Enforcement will provide advice and guidance. The Authority had received 965 complaints in the past which was down to 503 last year and 15000 hotspots were down to 7, litter down from 2 to 0.

Members stated that there were areas where cars were throwing litter out windows. Ms Martin informed members to obtain the car number plate and they will investigate. A member enquired if individuals who are prosecuted by Kingdom are named and shamed and Ms Martin informed members that it was not policy at present but this is something that the County and Town could work together on. Members enquired as to why faeces were not classified under Health and Safety and it was RECOMMENDED that County members take the matter forward on behalf of ATC.

Members initial thoughts were favourable with regard to joint working and RECOMMENDED that Ms Martin provides the Town Council with a package to consider.

The Chairman thanked Ms Martin for attending.

*Reinstated Standing orders*

162/17 **Cofnodion – Minutes**

**It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN the Minutes of the Policy & Finance Committee, held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Mehefin/June 2017**

163/17 **Gohebiaeth - Correspondence**

- a) An email from Home Instead with regard to Co-op stores donations was RECEIVED.

*Cllr Frost retired at this juncture*

- b) The training programme for July from OVW was RECEIVED, and members considered the reimbursement to two election candidates who recently attended training at their own cost of £60 each. After a lengthy debate, members voted four in favour and six opposed to the reimbursement.

*Cllr Frost returned at this juncture*

164/17 **The Financial Situation as at today was NOTED:-**

Current Account	17294.67
Monthly Interest Account	65671.73
General Reserve	<u>52408.32</u>
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b><u>£135,374.72</u></b>
Hall & Development Account	<u>£59,268.78</u>

165/17 **Payment of Accounts**

The payment of accounts falling due, as detailed on Schedule 'A' attached of £12,170.64.

166/17 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees were RECEIVED:

- a) Marketing and Promotion Sub Committee held on the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- b) Events Sub Committee Sub Committee held on the 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- c) Newsletter Sub Committee held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- d) Christmas Decoration Sub Committee held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017
- e) Christmas Decoration Sub Committee held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Meeting Closed at 7:30pm

Signed .....  
(Chairman)

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## SCHEDULE 'A'

Payments to be authorised as at 20th July 2017

	Chq No:	Total £	Incl. VAT £	Notes / Statutory Powers (new or unusual payments)
1	Salaries	FP	£4,569.87	monthly salaries
2	CCBC	DD	£761.00	monthly charge
3	Scottish Power	DD	£25.00	1.25 Monthly charge
4	Bank Charges	DD	£18.55	monthly charge
5	BT Phone	000680	£1.00	St George telephone box
6	HMRC	FP	£1,382.58	
7	Gwynedd Pensions	FP	£1,521.34	
8	Clerical Medical	FP	£50.00	
9	Cathedral Leasing	DD	£13.00	2.17
10	B C Roberts	000681	£7.20	Travel Expenses for June
11	Apogee	DD	£136.98	£ 22.83 Photocopier
12	Mandy Evans	000682	£39.60	Travel Expenses for June
13	Rebecca Bryant	000683	£12.60	Travel Expenses for June
14	NAMWALC x2	FP	£32.00	July Meeting
15	WNW	FP	£2.04	0.34 Difference from credit note for returning brown envelopes.
16	SLCC	FP	£82.89	£ 13.80 Joint Wales Conference
17	Mr D Hargreaves	000684	£24.00	Window Cleaning
18	Cllr D Armstrong	000685	£100.00	Councillor Annual Allowance
19	Cllr M Roberts	000686	£100.00	Councillor Annual Allowance
20	Cllr M Richards	000687	£100.00	Councillor Annual Allowance
21	Cllr M Bond	000688	£100.00	Councillor Annual Allowance
22	Cllr R M Medicott	000689	£100.00	Councillor Annual Allowance
23	CCBC	FP	£487.20	£ 76.00 Hanging baskets
24	Racecraft	FP	£78.00	£ 13.00 Updating Mayor's Board
25	Patel Corner Store Ltd	000690	£9.56	Newspapers
26	Meirion Jones	FP	£720.00	£ 120.00 Seasonal Planting
27	Computer World x2	FP	£492.47	82.08 Monthly support contract/Laser toner.
28	Pitney Bowes	FP	£15.54	2.59 Monthly rental fee
29	E.N.Roberts	000691	£207.37	34.56 Building contractor, Brass Hinges
30	Petty Cash	000692	£89.25	petty cash
31	Mr J F Griffiths	000693	£245.20	translator
32	NWN	FP	£36.00	6.00 advert in Journal
33	BT Phone	DD	£110.40	18.40 quarterly payment
34	Abergele Association of Traders	000694	£500.00	Annual grant
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<b>Total Payments</b>		34	£12,170.64	393.02

\*\* Under the Local Government Act 1972, Sect. 137 & 139, the Council can incur expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area or it's inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.