

Cyngor Tref Abergele

MINUTES

Cynhelwyd Cyfarfod Cyffredinol y Cyngor ar Dydd Iau, 4 Gorfennaf 2019 am 6.45y.h.yn Neuadd y Dref, Ffordd Llanddulas, Abergele.

The Ordinary Meeting of the Council was held on Thursday 4th July 2019 at 6.45pm in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

174/19 **Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register**

The Mayor, Cllr. S Jones-Roberts,

Cllrs: D M Armstrong; Dr. M. Baker (18:50); J M Bird; M. Bond; G. Frost; P Heap-Williams (19:00) ; A. Hunter; D A MacRae; R.M. Medlicott; M. Richards; B. C. Roberts; R.G. Waters; A. Wood;

Mrs L Whalley (Deputy Clerk)

175/19 **Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb – Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs: C. McCoubrey; S Rowlands;

176/19 **Yn absennol heb ymddiheuriad- Absence without Apology**

None

177/19 **Datganiad o Ddiddordeb: Côt Ymddygiad - Declaration of Interest: Code of Conduct**

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

Cllr A Hunter

Confidential item 184/19

Grant application

178/19 **Housekeeping**

Members were reminded of Standing Order Number 1 (o)– Rules of debate at meetings, that members may speak during a debate only when permitted by the Chairman.

179/19 **Announcements by the Mayor**

None

180/19 **Cofnodion - Minutes**

It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on the 6 Mehefin/June 2019

181/19 **Matters arising on those and previous Minutes**

- a) An update from Welsh Government confirming that the observations requested have been submitted was NOTED

Cllr. Baker arrived at this juncture

- b) An e-mail from Mr G Moseley referring to a letter from NRW sent to volunteer Flood Wardens last November was RECEIVED. The letter had informed volunteers that they were not employed or insured by NRW. The withdrawal of three wardens on the basis that they weren't insured by NRW was NOTED. The remaining Flood Wardens are re-considering their position in light of this issue. Members requested that a letter be sent to Mr Moseley to ask for clarity.

182/19 Gohebiaeth - Correspondence

- DERBYN ac YSTYRIED yr eitemau gohebiaeth canlynol/The following items of correspondence were RECEIVED:

- (a) Mayor's Diary - details of the Mayor's engagements for Gorffennaf/July 2019
NOTED

Cllr. Heap-Williams arrived at this juncture

- (b) Details of forthcoming meetings of the Council and its committees / sub-committees were NOTED with one amendment. The need for an Executive meeting in August was challenged. The Deputy Clerk explained that payments need to be made in August for which approval was required.
- (c) CVSC and OVW mail sent to members by email, NOTED.
- (d) A welcome letter from OVW was RECEIVED. Nominations were invited to represent ATC at the quarterly meetings. Cllr Waters volunteered as the second nominee, to attend when the first representative couldn't. No volunteers were forthcoming to be the main representative and the matter was DEFERRED to the next meeting.
- (e) A notice with regard to the AGM at Itaca on the 15th July 2019 was NOTED
- (f) An email from CCBC with regard to Pinders Circus was CONSIDERED. Members felt that the Pinders Circus was an important event on the Abergele calendar and were unanimous in SUPPORT of the event.
- (g) An invitation from the Red Cross to a Launch on the 17th July was RECEIVED. Cllr Richards confirmed his attendance.
- (h) An email via OVW with regard to a new Award for Care Workers was NOTED.
- (i) An email from Cllr MacRae with regard to the Abergele Traders Association was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED.
It was RESOLVED to accept responsibility for the safekeeping of the monies until another Association is formed.
- (j) An email from CCBC with regard to the closure of Bryn Ffanigl Road, Rhyd y Foel was NOTED
- (k) An email from OVW with regard to a representative on the Betsi Cadwaladr Stakeholder Reference Group was NOTED.
- (l) A copy of the Minutes from the latest Conwy Access Group meeting was RECEIVED. Min no: 5 regarding a crossing at Gwrych Castle Gates was DEFERRED to Parks and Street Scene Committee
- (m) A request from St Paul's Methodist Church for their coach to pick up from the Town Council's car park on the 21st July and return 26th July was APPROVED.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960 and with Standing Order no.68, it was RESOLVED that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

183/19 Quotes

- (a) An email update from Chris Jones Regeneration with regard to Min No: 83/19 (c) of the Draft Place Plan Minutes held on the 23rd May 2019, to be ratified at the next Place Plan Committee meeting was RECEIVED & CONSIDERED. The Deputy Clerk updated members on the position regarding funding sources for the A55 signage and Town Centre parking signage. Due to the Golf Club withdrawing from the brown sign scheme there was a potential saving of £1377.05 to be made. This saving could be offset against the cost of installing the town centre parking signs. Conversely, if a shortfall occurs, it would have to be met from either the Placeplan budget or Town Council Reserves. Councillors AGREED to meet any shortfall from reserves in the interest of moving ahead with the scheme. Three local attractions

have already agreed to contribute to the funding of the tourist signage, the combined level of contribution is yet to be confirmed.

184/19 **Grant Application**

- a) Additional information requested from the Abergele Round Table in respect of a grant application for funding towards the Firework Display was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. **It was RESOLVED to the release the payment.**

Members of the public were invited to return.

185/19 **Y diweddaraf gan Gynghorwyr Sir – Update from County Councillors**

- Derbyn adroddiadau ysgrifenedig a llafar gan Gynghorwyr Sir / Written and verbal reports from County Councillors were RECEIVED as follows:

- a) A new independent group has been formed in Conwy County Council, the group is made up of the previous leader, two ex-cabinet members and one ex Welsh Conservative. As a result, Cllr Hunter has lost his seat on the Licensing Committees due to a change in the political balance.
- b) There had been a flooding incident in Belgrano due to prolonged rainfall. The authorities worked hard to prevent water ingress into homes and were largely successful. Cllrs were at a site meeting with Dwr Cymru incident managers.
- c) Cllr Dr Baker confirmed his appointment as Cabinet Member for Arts and Heritage which includes Venue Cymru and Theatr Colwyn. Currently dealing with an issue between residents and a local business.
- d) There is an ongoing issue concerning the non-clearance of a culvert in Abergele by ERF.

186/19 **Cofnodion - Minutes**

- DERBYN cofnodion y cyfarfodydd / pwyllgorau canlynol/ The Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees were RECEIVED:

- a) General Purpose and Planning meeting held on the 16th May 2019
- b) Policy & Finance Committee meeting held on the 16th May 2019
- c) Confidential Policy & Finance Committee meeting held on the 16th May 2019
- d) Parks, Street Scene and CCTV Sub Committee meeting held on the 8th April 2019
- e) Newsletter Sub Committee held on the 26th April 2019
- f) Christmas Decoration Sub Committee meeting held on the 1st April 2019
- g) Marketing & Promotion Sub Committee meeting held on the 25th February 2019
- h) Marketing & Promotion Sub Committee meeting held on the 5th March 2019
- i) Events Sub Committee meeting held on the 11th April 2019

187/19 **Letters of thanks**

- a) Eisteddfod y Urdd was NOTED

Meeting Closed at 19:45

Signed(Chairman)