

Cyngor Tref Abergele

MINUTES

Cynhelwyd Cyfarfod Cyffredinol y Cyngor ar Dydd Iau, 7 Tachwedd 2019 am 6.45yh yn Neuadd y Dref, Ffordd Llanddulas, Abergele.

The Ordinary Meeting of the Council was held on Thursday 7 November 2019 at 6.45pm in the Town Hall, Llanddulas Road, Abergele.

406/19 **Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register**

The Mayor, Cllr. S Jones-Roberts,
Cllrs: D M Armstrong; M. Bond; G. Frost; P Heap-Williams; A. Hunter;
C. McCoubrey; D A MacRae; R.M. Medicott; M. Richards; B. C. Roberts; R.G. Waters; A. Wood;
Mrs. L Whalley (Deputy-Clerk)

407/19 **Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb – Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs: Dr. M. Baker; J M Bird; S Rowlands;

408/19 **Yn absennol heb ymddiheuriad- Absence without Apology**

None

409/19 **Datganiad o Ddiddordeb: Côt Ymddygiad - Declaration of Interest: Code of Conduct**

Atgoffwyd aelodau eu 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). None Declared.

Standing Orders were suspended

410/19 **Visitor to the Council**

Neil Payne from CCBC was welcomed to the meeting. Neil gave a presentation on services potentially available for IT support from CCBC. The presentation included an overview of the expertise available, the benefits that could be expected including year-round support, supply of hardware and software and a single point of contact. Approximate costs were also illustrated but if the Council agreed to a pilot scheme a formal proposal with indicative costs could be formulated. A question and answer session followed which covered incorporating existing new hardware, treatment of the server, software licenses, an exit plan and the incorporation/exclusion of Skype if required. Copy of the SLA and the presentation slides will be forwarded for Members' perusal. Mr Payne was thanked for his time and left the meeting (19:20)

Standing Orders were reinstated.

411/19 **Announcements by the Mayor**

Reminder of the Remembrance Day Service 10/11/19.

Invitation to St Kentigern's Tree of Lights service 29/11/19

Interview with Mayor with Radio Wales highlighting small towns in Wales.

412/19 **Cofnodion - Minutes**

Derbyn, cymeradwyo ac arwyddo fel yn gywir gofnodion y cyfarfodydd canlynol. The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 3 Hydref/October 2019 were **RECEIVED** and **APPROVED** as a correct record.

413/19 **Matters arising on those and previous Minutes**

a) A response from Welsh Government regarding plastic waste was **NOTED**.

414/19 **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 Tachwedd/November 2019 **NOTED**
- (b) Details of forthcoming meetings of the Council and its committees / sub-committees **NOTED**
- (c) CVSC and OVW mail sent to members by email was **NOTED**
- (d) Emails from CCBC with regard to road closures in the area was sent to members in September were **NOTED**
- (e) An e-mail from OVW regarding three planning consultations was RECEIVED. Cllr McCoubrey informed Members on the core topic of each consultation document and that he was responding via his role at County level.
- (f) An e-mail from OVW regarding IRPW Draft Report was **RECEIVED**. The Mayor confirmed that the report was to be included on a future NAMWALC agenda
- (g) An e-mail from CCBC regarding proposed parking restrictions in Abergele was RECEIVED. With the exception of Pensarn Prom which was felt by members to be unnecessary all other restrictions were **APPROVED** by members.
- (h) An e-mail from CCBC regarding local service provision was RECEIVED. The Deputy Clerk informed Members that CCBC was arranging meetings with all Clerks in the next few weeks and that a meeting with Abergele Town Clerk will be scheduled upon her return.
- (i) A questionnaire from North Wales Community Health Council was **NOTED**.
- (j) The resignation from the Town Council representative on Ysgol Glan Gele Board of Governors was **RECEIVED**. Cllr Alan Hunter was appointed as the new representative.
- (k) An e-mail from a member of the public regarding a boat ramp at Pensarn Beach was RECEIVED. The Deputy Clerk is to reply informing the respondent that members are hopeful that a ramp would form part of any future regeneration of the area.

415/19 **Audit and Annual Return for 2018/19**

- a) A copy of a letter from BDO confirming that the 2018/19 Audit is now completed was **RECEIVED**.
- b) A copy of the Statement of Accounts for 2018/19 was **RECEIVED**.
- c) A copy of the report from BDO on their findings, together with the Internal Auditors report, previously received under Min No: 107/19 (d) was **RECEIVED**. It was **RESOLVED** to send a letter of thanks to the Clerk for her diligent work on the Audit

416/19 Y diweddaraf gan Gynghorwyr Sir – Update from County Councillors
- Derbynwyd adroddiadau ysgrifenedig a llafar gan Gynghorwyr Sir / written and verbal reports from County Councillors were **RECEIVED**.

- a) The Cabinet member for housing visited HMP Berwyn with a CCBC officer to see how inmates are helped to find accommodation prior to release.
- b) Homelessness was also the subject of a visit to Cardiff to meet the Minister for Housing. Conwy is recognized as having best practice for dealing with the homeless.
- c) The application for change of use of the old Bevans unit from retail to leisure has been withdrawn.
- d) Reviews of Play Provision and Education funding are to be considered by task and finish groups. Members will be updated as soon as any new information is available.
- e) The remedial works to the carparks have been completed with the exception of one or two minor jobs. This will be monitored.
- f) The bus shelter which was destroyed by a vehicle on Dundonald Avenue has still not

- been replaced but is being followed up.
- g) Thanks were extended to everyone involved in the Fireworks event which was very successful.
 - h) The new website is moving quickly and is currently being translated.
 - i) Very disappointing that two CCBC Officers did not turn up for the Parks & Street Scene Sub Committee meeting.
 - j) A meeting with local residents and the local PCSO in Pensarn reports that there are problems with off road vehicles speeding around on local roads. NWP are working on identifying the source and have new information which could move them closer to detecting the culprits. There may be an opportunity for handheld speed guns to be deployed on Marine Road
 - k) Park and Ride at the hospital has been extended for another six months.
 - l) The Bee hotel is being stripped out, but it is not known if the development is about to start
 - m) A report is expected at the end of November regarding the flooding of the ditches in Pensarn. A consultation on the process may be delayed.

417/19 Cofnodion - Minutes

- DERBYNWYD cofnodion y cyfarfodydd / pwyllgorau canlynol/ the Minutes of the following Meetings / Committees were **RECEIVED and NOTED:**

- a) General Purpose and Planning meeting held on the 19th Sept 2019
- b) Policy & Finance Committee meeting held on the 19th Sept 2019
- c) Christmas Decoration Sub Committee meeting held on the 10th June 2019
- d) Events Sub Committee meeting held on the 15th July 2019
- e) Marketing & Promotion Sub Committee meeting held on the 8th July 2019
- f) Staffing Sub Committee meeting held 23rd September 2019 (Confidential)
- g) Placeplan Committee meeting held 25th July 2019

Meeting Closed at 20:20

Signed

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(Chairman)