

Cyngor Tref Abergele

MINUTES

Cynhelwyd Cyfarfod Cyffredinol y Cyngor ar Dydd Iau, 2 Medi 2021 am 6.45yh drwy presenoldeb o bell.

The Ordinary Meeting of the Council was held on Thursday 2 September 2021 at 6.45pm via remote attendance.

184/21 Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register

The Mayor, Cllr. A Hunter,

Cllrs: Dr. M. Baker (retired at 8:30pm); M. Bond; T. Brennan; N. Eden; D Fetherstonhaugh; G. Frost; P Heap-Williams; S. Jones-Roberts; C. McCoubrey (retired at 8:30pm); D A MacRae; B. C. Roberts; S Rowlands; R.G. Waters; N. Williams; A. Wood; Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)

Mr Jesse Lock (Place Plan project coordinator)

Member of the public

185/21 Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb – Apologies for Absence

None

186/21 Absenol heb ymddiheuriad- Absence without Apology

None

187/21 Datganiad o Ddiddordeb: Côt Ymddygiad - Declaration of Interest: Code of Conduct

Atgoffwyd 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. Dr. Mark Baker	Min No:	190/21 (a)
Cllr. Dr. Mark Baker	Min No:	191/21 (k)
Cllr. P. Heap-Williams	Min No:	191/21 (k)
Cllr. T. Brennan	Min No:	191/21 (g)
Cllr. D. MacRae	Min No:	194/21
Cllr. A Wood	Min No:	191/21 (k)
Cllr. A Wood	Min No:	191/21 (g)

188/21 Announcements by the Mayor

- a) The Mayor informed members that he had attended the Golf Club earlier this week and presented the junior awards.
- b) Pleased to announce that 'I'm a celebrity' is returning to Abergele
- c) Georgia Wilson local resident won bronze at the Paralympics. The Mayor requested that a letter of congratulations is forward to Betws y Rhos on behalf of the Council.
- d) PCSO Rob Antrobus has moved on to become a Trainer with NWP. The Mayor requested that a letter of thanks for all his hard work in the Community is sent on behalf of the Council.

189/21 Cofnodion - Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to **RECEIVE, APPROVE** and **SIGN** as a correct record the **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on Thursday 1st July 2021**

190/21 **Matters arising from those and previous Minutes**

- a) An update from CCBC with regard to the observations made by the Council following a letter received from Winifred Bamford Hesketh Almshouses Trustees was RECEIVED.
- b) A sample of a Civic Awards protocol for members' consideration was RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and APPROVED.
- c) An update with regard to the weight limit of traffic in St George from Darren Millar MS was RECEIVED. Members recorded a note of thanks to Mr Millar for his support and look forward to CCBC progressing the matter.
- d) An update from Darren Millar MS with regard to the installation of Ultra-fast broadband by BT together with an email from local residents and subsequent reply from Cllr. McCoubrey was RECEIVED. Cllr. McCoubrey confirmed that he has a meeting with BT in the near future.

It was RESOLVED to write to BT to confirm that the Council support the residents' stance with regard to the installation.

- e) A report from Cllr Eden with regard to facilitating hybrid meetings was RECEIVED. Cllr. Eden stated that this system is easy to understand and simple to set up, and wished to offer his support to members. Members wished to thank Cllr. Eden and Cllr. Frost for all their hard work. It was RECOMMENDED to trial the system on Sub Committee meetings in October.

It was RESOLVED to approve £150 for the Clerk to purchase a speaker.

- f) An email from CCBC with regard to parking at Water Street Car Park was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. The matter was debated and it was RECOMMENDED to continue with the current timings for the Car park as any enforcement would involve further financial input by the Council.

191/21 **Gohebiaeth - Correspondence**

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

- a) Mayor's Diary - details of the Mayor's engagements for Medi/September 2021
- b) Details of forthcoming meetings of the Council and its committees / sub-committees
- c) CVSC and OVW mail sent to members by email.
- d) A copy of the OVW training for September was RECEIVED
- e) A notification from Traffic Wales of work on the A55 from August to November was RECEIVED.
- f) A consultation from Welsh Government with regard to the Draft Local Elections Rules 2021 was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. It was RECOMMENDED to DEFER to the Clerk to collate members' observations.
- g) A letter from the Abergele Association of Traders with notice that they have disbanded was RECEIVED. It was RECOMMENDED to accept the notice board on from the Association, and the Council will find a suitable location for the board in due course. Members wished to thank the representative for all her hard work and the matter was DEFERRED to the Place Plan Committee for consideration.
- h) An email from Welsh Government with regard to Section 47 of the Local Government & Election (Wales) Act 2021 relating to multi-location meetings was DEFERRED to the Clerk. It was NOTED that the Council now has a legal obligation to continue to offer the option of hybrid meetings. The provision was discussed and it was AGREED to continue with the option outlined in 190/21 (e) at this time.
- i) An email from WG via OVW with regard to the Welsh Public Sector Net zero route map was NOTED.

- j) An email from a local resident via Cllr. McCoubrey with regard to the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Llanddulas Road and an update from CCBC was RECEIVED. It was RECOMMENDED to request that CCBC consider the provision of a crossing due to the volume of traffic and number of pedestrians near the Tan y Gopa Road area.
- k) An email from Cllr. Shirley Jones-Roberts with regard to traffic on the junction of Llanddulas and Tan y Gopa Roads and an update from CCBC was RECEIVED. Cllr. Jones-Roberts stated that she had received numerous calls from residents and press and further concern has been expressed since there had been a recent accident. The matter was debated at length and it was considered that there were several factors that were complicit to the problem. Traffic calming measures for the whole of the Town and the Llanddulas stretch should be considered. CCBC are currently looking at the traffic management for the Town.
It was RECOMMENDED to write to the Cabinet Member to request that the Tan y Gopa area is included in the Atkins report and to request that Highways and Planning Policy are informed.
- l) An email from CCBC with regard to the annual charges for CCTV camera maintenance was RECEIVED and APPROVED.
- m) A consultation from the Remuneration Panel for Wales with regard to the remuneration framework for Community & Town Councils was RECEIVED and no observations were considered necessary at this time.
- n) A copy of a letter to Darren Millar MS from BCUHB with regard to the park and ride at Ysbyty Glan Clwyd was RECEIVED. It was RECOMMENDED that a timescale for the Multi-story car park was requested and Cllr Hunter stated that he would contact the Chairman of the Trust for an update.

192/21 **Confidential matters**

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. (Item No: 10 - 13)

193/21 A quotation for the repair of Mayor's chain by the Town Council's regalia company was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. It was RECOMMENDED to APPROVE the quotation received, with a further request to obtain a cost for a velvet collar for the chain. Item was DEFERRED pending costs for the collar.

Cllr. MacRae retired at this juncture

194/21 An update from the Clerk with regard to the Abergele Joint Burial Committee was RECEIVED. The Clerk confirmed that no update with regard to the County Council has been received and the matter will require going to democracy. A request for clarification on 'green papers' was received. The Clerk confirmed that she would investigate and revert back to members.

Cllr M. Baker & McCoubrey retired at this juncture

195/21 Project briefs from Members in preparation for the forthcoming 'I'm a celebrity' show were RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. Three Project Briefs were RECEIVED. Project Brief 1 from Cllr. Dr. Mark Baker to continue the work from last year was APPROVED at a cost of £6000. Project Brief 2 was DEFERRED pending further information on the feasibility and cost of installing vinyls and ghosts on the train station. Project Brief 3 was considered to be a duplication of some of the actions in Project Brief 1 and therefore excluded at this

time.

It was RESOLVED to fund £6000 from the Town Council's reserves.

196/21 Information from the Clerk following Code of Conduct complaint to Public Service Ombudsman was RECEIVED.

197/21 **Y diweddaraŷ gan Gynghorwyr Sir – Update from County Councillors**

- Derby'n adroddiadau llafar gan Gynghorwyr Sir / Verbal reports from County Councillors were RECEIVED as follows:

- a) The Planning appeal for 72 Tan y Rhallt was approved by Welsh Government.
- b) The flood water culvert and pond at Manor Afon is almost completed.

198/21 **Cofnodion - Minutes**

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

- a) General Purposes and Planning Committee held on 10th June 2021.
- b) Policy & Finance Committee meeting held on the 17th June 2021.
- c) Staffing Committee meeting held on the 24th May 2021
- d) Events Sub Committee meeting held on the 7th June 2021
- e) Marketing & Promotion Sub Committee meeting held on the 25th February 2021
- f) Place Plan Committee meeting held on the 27th May 2021
- g) Executive Committee meeting held on the 29th April 2021

Meeting Closed at 8:45pm

Signed
(Chairman)