

Cyngor Tref Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

Cyfarfod Cyffredinol y Cyngor i'w gynnal ar Dydd Iau, 4 Mai 2023 am 6.45yh i'w gynnal yn rhannol yn y siambr, a phresenoldeb yn bosibl hefyd ar Zoom yn.

The Ordinary Meeting of the Council was held on Thursday 4 May 2023 at 6.45pm via hybrid attendance.

688/22 Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register

The Mayor, Cllr. A Hunter (retired at 7:50pm),

Cllrs: T. Brennan; M. Davies; D. Fetherstonhaugh; D. Green; P. Heap-Williams

(arrived at 6:50pm); J. Jones; S. Jones-Roberts; P. Luckock; C. McCoubrey (Chairman);

N. Williams; A. Williamson; K. Yarwood

Mrs M. J. Evans (Town Clerk)

Ms. R. Parker (Deputy Clerk)

Member of the public (arrived at 6:50pm)

689/22 Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb - Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:

Cllrs: A. Wood

690/22 Absennol heb ymddiheuriad- Absence without Apology

None

691/22 <u>Datganiad o Ddiddordeb: Côd Ymddygiad - Declaration of Interest: Code of Conduct</u>

Atgoffir aelodau ei bod yn rhaid iddynt ddatgan **bodolaeth** a **natur** unrhyw fantais bersonol (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. P. Luckock	Min No:	692/22	&	697/22 (a)
Cllr. A. Hunter	Min No:	692/22	&	697/22 (a)
Cllr. N. Williams	Min No:	692/22	&	697/22 (a)
Cllr. C. McCoubrey	Min No:	692/22	&	697/22 (a)

692/22 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. (Min No:693/22)

Standing orders were suspended

During this item a member of the public arrived and was asked to retire during the confidential item

693/22 Guest Speaker

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Gary Williams, Facilities Manager, and Cllr Goronwy Edwards, CCBC Cabinet member to the meeting who provided members with an update and overview on the Abergele Toilet scheme (details recorded on the Confidential Minutes under Min No: 709/22



Standing orders were reinstated

694/22 Public participation

No requests with regard to Community matters, received by members of the public wishing to address the Council were RECEIVED.

695/22 Announcements by the Mayor

a) The Mayor and Mayoress recently opened the Castle pub

696/22 Cofnodion - Minutes

It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND APPROVE as a correct record the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on Thursday 6 April 2023

PROPOSED by Cllr. S. Jones-Roberts SECONDED by Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh

697/22 Matters arising on those and previous Minutes

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. (Min No: 697/22)(Item No: (a) & (b))

- a) Items from the update in item 6 above that require resolution and to receive and update from CCBC Chief Executive and CCBC Facilities Manager were RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and recorded on the Confidential Minutes under Min No: 710/22 (a)
- b) The questions for any future Council co-option, deferred from previous meeting for members to submit their observations (no responses received) was RECEIVED REVIEWED and APPROVED.

Member of the public returned at this juncture

c) An update from the Clerk on the forthcoming election was RECEIVED. The Clerk informed members that Cllr. Gwyn Hughes had resigned from the Council. There is an election for the Gele ward on the 25th May 2023 and the notice of election for the Pentre Mawr Ward closes on the 24th May 2023.

698/22 Gohebiaeth - Correspondence

The following items of correspondence were RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and NOTED:

- a) Mayor's Diary details of the Mayor's engagements for Mai/May 2023
- b) Details of forthcoming meetings of the Council and its committees / subcommittees
- c) CVSC and OVW mail sent to members by email.
- d) OVW Training for May
- e) An email from Cllr. McCoubrey with confirmation that he has succeeded in obtaining a new banking hub for the Town
- f) A request from the Benefit Advice shop for a letter of support was RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and APPROVED.
- g) The consultation on the Mona and Morecambe offshore wind project and farm



which is currently out to consultation was NOTED.

699/22 Draft Minutes

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: 699/22 (a))

- a) It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, CONSIDER and APPROVE the RECOMMENDATIONS from the last Staffing Committee meeting held on Monday 17th April 2023
 - (ii) The DRAFT Annual leave entitlement under Min No: 658/22
 - (iii) The addition to the contract of employment of statutory bank holiday pay and a day's leave.

PROPOSED by Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh SECONDED by Cllr. D. Green

(iv) To hold the Ordinary Meeting of the Council on the same night as the Policy & Finance meeting, for a trail period of three months.

It was RECOMMENDED to amend the running order of the meetings to the Ordinary Meeting followed by the Policy & Finance meeting

PROPOSED by Cllr. S. Jones-Roberts

SECONDED by Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh

- b) An item deferred from the last GP&P meeting under Min No: 641/22 (c) with regard to scrambles in the Cefn yr Ogof area was NOTED. The Clerk informed members that the email had been received for members' information and a member informed the Council that the information received was misleading.
- 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: 701/22 (a))

701/22 Charity of Robert Roberts

 a) An update on the Charity of Robert Roberts and the role of the Town Council with regard to the Charity. Details were recorded on the Confidential Minutes under Min No: 711/22

It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the request for legal fees up to a maximum of £1000

PROPOSED by Cllr. C. McCoubrey SECONDED by Cllr. P. Heap-Williams

702/22 Y diweddaraf gan Gynghorwyr Sir – Update from County Councillors

- Derbyn adroddiadau llafar gan Gynghorwyr Sir / verbal reports from County Councillors were RECEIVED:



- a) CCBC are considering budget implications.
- b) The future of the old Abergele school building is under consideration
- c) More information sharing by various multi-agency bodies is required i.e. police, local authority etc.
- d) Conwy Paddling pools have been addressed by the Health and Safety Executive and cannot have a slippery floor. The appointed contractor was unable to carry out the work and the appointed company has to have accreditation to carry out the work. A local company is to be trained up to carry out the work and a solution will hopefully be in hand.

703/22 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the following meetings were RECEIVED:

- a) General Purpose and Planning Committee meeting held on the 9th March 2023
- b) Policy & Finance Committee held on the 16th March 2023
- c) Place Plan Committee held on the 23rd March 2022

Meeting Closed at 8:20pm	
Signed	(Chairman)