



Cyngor Tref Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

Cyfarfod Pwllgor AMCANION CYFFREDINIOL a CHYNLLUNIO i'w gynnal ar Dydd Iau, 9 Mawrth 2023 am 6.45 y.h gyda presenoldeb o bell. A meeting of the GENERAL PURPOSES and PLANNING COMMITTEE, was held on Thursday 9th March 2023 by hybrid attendance at 6:45pm.

561/22 **Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register**

The Mayor, Cllr A. Hunter,
Cllrs: T. Brennan; M. Davies; D. Fetherstonhaugh; P. Heap-Williams; J. Jones;
S. Jones-Roberts; P. Luckock; C. McCoubrey; A. Williamson;
Officer: Ms R. Parker (Deputy Clerk)
Member of the public

562/22 **Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb – Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs: C. McCoubrey; A. Wood, K. Yarwood

563/22 **Yn absennol heb ymddiheuriad- Absence without Apology**

Cllrs: G. Hughes; R. Griffiths-Williams

564/22 **Datganiad o Ddiddordeb: Côt Ymddygiad - Declaration of Interest: Code of Conduct**

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

Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh declared a prejudicial interest for Min no. 571/22, planning application 0/50469. Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh withdrew for this item and did not participate in discussions.

Cllr N. Williams declared a non-prejudicial interest for Min no. 571/22, planning application 0/50457.

565/22 **Cofnodion - Minutes**

It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN as a correct record the following minutes of the General Purpose and Planning meeting held on Thursday, 9th February 2023:

- a) **General Purposes and Planning Committee Minutes**
- b) **Confidential General Purposes and Planning Committee Minutes**

Proposer: Cllr. P. Luckock
Seconder: Cllr. A. Hunter



566/22 **Public Participation – Litter**

At the discretion of the Chairman, a member of the public was given permission to speak and provide further information regarding the Keep Wales Tidy project (Minute no. 569/22).

Standing orders were suspended at this juncture.

The member of the public had emailed in requesting the Town Council's support for a Keep Wales Tidy project. The member of the public explained that a community group in West Shore to deal with litter and dog fouling had been set up successfully.

The member of the public explained that they did not think a community led project in Abergele would be enough and requested that the project be led by the Place Plan Facilitator. The member of the public clarified that the support being requested was in the form of office resources such as the printing of posters, signage, distribution of such materials and permissions sought to put them up in public places.

Cllr P. Luckock informed the member of the public, that in his role as a County Councillor, he was aware of a Llandudno pilot project that had occurred and successfully dealt with dog fouling issues. Cllr. P. Luckock stated he believed there were no enforcement officers currently, however, an application for funding has been put in so that other projects like the Llandudno pilot could go ahead.

The member of the public left at this juncture.

Standing orders were reinstated.

567/22 **Roads & Pavements**

a) Correspondence from a resident regarding the condition of roads/pavements on Turnberry Drive was RECEIVED and NOTED. ERF were contacted and they provided the following response which was NOTED:

'All adopted highways (these are highways maintainable at public expense) are inspected in-line with nationally agreed best practice guidance. Any defects that meet our prescribed intervention criteria are identified and repairs to remove any associated risks are completed within set timescales. At the same time, the overall condition is recorded. The condition rating determines whether a roads and / or pavement needs to be considered for further intervention utilising capital funding. A program of works is developed annually commensurate with available funding in any given year. A risk based scoring matrix ensures that limited funding is directed to areas that present the highest level of risk.'

Reports can be made via the online 'report it' portal and or via erf@conwy.gov.uk or by calling 01492 575337.

The completion of repairs following utility works is governed by relevant legislation and enforcement action, where breaches of this legislation are identified, is perused.'



It was RECOMMENDED that the resident be informed of this information.

- b) Members CONSIDERED the condition of the roads/paths in Abergele which had been reported by the Town Council to the ERF at Conwy CBC. Such roads/paths in disrepair (as reported by residents) included: Gele Vet's Drive (off Llanfair Road) and the path following Sea Road.

It was RECOMMENDED that members of the public should be signposted to ERF and if their issue had not been resolved, then the public should be signposted to their County Councillors.

It was RECOMMENDED that ERF's contact details, such a telephone number and the new 'Report It' tool should be added to Abergele Town Council's social media and website.

568/22 **Bus Shelters**

Members received and considered an email from CCBC with a request to replace a current bus shelter or to recommend a location for a shelter. The following sites were proposed:

- 1) Llanddulas Road (Eldon Drive side opposite the Town Hall)
- 2) Llwyn Morfa, Rhuddlan Road
- 3) Castle Gates (near Tan-y-Gopa Road), Llanddulas Road

Voting for each site was taken in order of the proposals made.

It was RESOLVED to recommend the bus stop site near Llwyn Morfa, Rhuddlan Road.

Proposer: Cllr. S. Jones-Roberts
Seconder: Cllr. D. Green

569/22 **Litter**

- a) Members considered the request from a member of the public for the Town Council's support for a Keep Tidy Wales community led scheme.

It was unanimously RESOLVED that a response should be provided to the member of the public:

- **Thanking them for attending the General Purpose and Planning meeting.**
- **Unfortunately, Abergele Town Council does not have any available time and are therefore unable to accommodate their request.**
- **Abergele Town Council welcomes all community groups wishing to bring about positive change in the area and are able to provide financial support through donations and/or grants.**

It was FURTHER RESOLVED that Cllr Luckock would pass on any information/ updates from CCBC regarding to County led projects dealing with dog fouling issues.



Proposer: Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh
Seconder: Cllr. A. Hunter

- b) A request from Cllr T. Brennan to consider options for the accumulation of litter behind the flats in Pensarn was RECEIVED and NOTED.

Cllr T. Brennan informed the GP&P Committee that the matter had progressed since the member of the public had raised concerns over the accumulation of litter behind the flats in Pensarn and the Cllr's request to have the item put on the Agenda. Members were informed that under the Place Plan umbrella, the community had been brought together. As a result, a Pensarn and Belgrano in Bloom community group has been set up. Cllr. T. Brennan has been leading the greening element whilst Cllr A. Williamson has been leading the litter-picking. The project has received support from 20 tenants. The group is self-funding and they have applied for funding.

Permissions have been sought from relevant private businesses and the community group intend to paint the area and provide a chalking section for the children to use.

570/22 **Dyfyniadau – Quotations**

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and with Standing Order no.68, 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.

a) **Hanging baskets**

Members received costs for the provision of services (watering, installation, removal, planting) for hanging baskets throughout Abergele.

It was unanimously RESOLVED to ACCEPT quotes B and C and use £185 from reserves.

It was FURTHER RESOLVED to investigate lowering the hanging basket columns.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Hunter
Seconder: Cllr. D. Green

LEGAL/FINANCIAL/OTHER OBLIGATIONS:

- s.144, Local Government Act 1971 – power to encourage visitors
- £2,785 for services related to hanging baskets - £2,600 from budget and £185 from reserves.

571/22 **Materion Cynllunio - Planning Matters**

- a) Planning Applications: The applications were RECEIVED and CONSIDERED as detailed in Schedule A thereon.
- b) Planning Decisions: The planning decisions issued by Planning Authority, Conwy



County Borough Council for the Abergele area as detailed below were NOTED:

22/01/2023 - 19/02/2023

Application No: 0/49103

Location: Llys Onnen 22 Water Street Abergele LL22 7SH

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings previously used as a Care Home (Conservation Area Consent)

Decision: Approved

Application No: 0/49141

Location: Llys Onnen 22 Water Street Abergele LL22 7SH

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and erection of an over 55s affordable housing development comprising of 43 apartments, access, parking, landscaping, drainage infrastructure and associated development.

Decision: Approved With Conditions

Application No: 0/50359

Location: 12 Holland Drive Belgrano Abergele Conwy LL22 9AF

Proposal: Extension to dwelling

Decision: Approved With Conditions

Meeting Closed at 20:08

Signed

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(Chairman)



Schedule A: Planning Applications Min. No 571/22

Ref	Description	Location	Observation
0/50457	Construction of new steel frame training tower on new concrete base in new position including new external lighting.	Abergele Fire Station, Groes Llwyd, Abergele LL22 7TA	No observations
0/50469	Removal of condition nos 4 (Working Hours) & 5 (Noise Control Measures) of planning approval 0/49939 (Change of use from B8 Storage and distribution to B8 & B2 General industrial use (Retrospective Application))	Thorncliffe Building Supplies, St Asaph Rd, St George, Abergele Conwy	No observations Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh retired for this item and did not participate in discussions.
0/50509	Change of use of former commercial unit to form residential apartment.	Mum's Kitchen, Water St, Abergele LL22 7SH	No observations
0/50513	Change of use of residential dwelling (C3) to a HMO (C4) to provide suitable accommodation for international NHS health workers.	1 Ffordd Y Pabi, Abergele LL22 8FS	If the application is successful there must be a condition as part of planning consent that, in the event the property is no longer used for NHS health workers, the dwelling reverts to C3 class. Proposer: Cllr N. Williams Seconder: Cllr. P. Heap-Williams Abstention: Cllr A. Hunter
0/50514	Change of use of residential dwelling (C3) to a HMO (C4) to provide suitable accommodation for international NHS health workers.	30 Poppy Road, Abergele LL22 8FS	If the application is successful there must be a condition as part of planning consent that, in the event the property is no longer used for NHS health workers, the dwelling reverts to C3 class. Proposer: Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh Seconder: Cllr. J. Jones Abstention: Cllr A. Hunter