



Cyngor Tref Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

Cyfarfod Cynllun Lleoliad y Cyngor i'w gynnal ar Dydd Iau, 24ain Hydref 2024 am 6.45yh i'w gynnal yn rhannol yn y siambr, a phresenoldeb yn bosibl hefyd ar Zoom yn. The Place Plan Meeting of the Council was held on Thursday October 24th 2024 at 6.45pm by hybrid attendance.

311/24 Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register

Present: Cllrs: T. Brennan; M. Davies; P. Fletcher; D. Fetherstonhaugh;
D. Green; J. Jones; T. Jones; S. Jones-Roberts; P. Luckock; A.
Williamson; A. Wood; K. Yarwood
Lay Member: N. Eden
Officers: Ms A. Pilling (Project Management & Funding Officer)
Mr R. Grimward (Deputy Town Clerk)

Member of the public present

312/24 Apologies

Cllr C. McCoubrey; Cllr M. Davies; Cllr. K. Eeles; Cllr R. Griffiths; P. Heap-Williams;
Cllr A. Hunter; L. Tavernor; Cllr N. Williams

313/24 Absence with no apologies

314/24 Declaration of Interest

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

315/24 Minutes

Deferred - To RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND APPROVE as a correct record the Minutes of the Placeplan meeting held on the 26th September 2024.

316/24 Matters arising on those and previous minutes

- a) CCBC had confirmed that the S106 funding contribution towards the Placeplan Officer's post would come from Town Centre Regeneration, and not from Affordable Housing as previously resolved by the Committee. CCBC had confirmed that the Committee did not have the power to approve S106 funding from Affordable Housing, so the previous May 2024 Resolution was void. The Officer explained that further decisions about future funding would be raised at the Ordinary meeting.

It was AGREED to REVOKE the May 2024 Resolution, based on new information from CCBC, and to agree the S106 contribution from the Town Centre Regeneration fund.

PROPOSED: Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh

SECONDED: N. Eden



- b) A request from the Business Forum to have two of its Members join the Placeplan Committee was RECEIVED.
It was AGREED, per the Placeplan Committee Terms of Reference, to invite two representatives from the Business Forum to join the Committee, as requested.
PROPOSED: Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh
SECONDED: N. Eden
- c) An email from Cllr. Luckock was RECEIVED. Cllr. Luckock stated that some Town Councils were very proactive in terms of Biodiversity and expressed that Abergele Town Council should work to benchmark itself against those proactive towns, to learn and do more, and referred back to an email from Cllr. C. Hughes, Biodiversity Champion and long-standing Councillor in Colwyn Bay, who had previously expressed a desire to meet with representatives from towns and communities to progress this work. The Officer explained that the Conwy and Denbighshire Partnership programme of Green Pledges was no longer operational, though ATC had achieved Bronze level and completed work towards Silver and Gold levels prior to the close of this programme. In the interim, she had reached out to GLLM and Egin regarding potential mentorship, but neither programme was a fit. However, Egin had agreed to review whether they could offer mentorship given the myriad of good work already happening within the town and community already.

It was proposed to invite Cllr C. Hughes to a future meeting.

PROPOSED: N. Eden
SECONDED: Cllr A. Wood
4 in favour
6 not in favour
Not carried

It was proposed to note the work being done by Officers, and expect an update at a future meeting.

PROPOSED: Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh
SECONDED: Cllr J. Jones
7 in favour
3 not in favour
Carried

- d) An update on QRBoxx was RECEIVED. The Officer explained that QRBoxx on-boarding was in progress, with two further Drop-in Sessions planned for October 29th and November 6th, as well as an invitation to participate in the upcoming Referral Partner Network event at the Golf Club on November 7th. She explained that QRBoxx had been made “live” so people could sign up independently, but that promotion would not be targeted at the general public until the launch date in mid-November, to allow for more sign-ups before then. She provided an overview of the platform to date, highlighting key areas, and agreed to send Drop-in information and the independent sign-up process to Members via email.
- e) An update on the SPG status of the Placeplan was RECEIVED. The Officer had attended the first Placeplan Stakeholders meeting, aimed at developing a Conformity Document to support towns to work towards having their Placeplans



adopted as Supplemental Planning Guidance (SPG). Some concerns surrounding the nomenclature, merits, and processes were expressed and the Officer assured Members that the Placeplan could continue to stand “as is”, but added that adoption as SPG could add more heft to it in terms of funding and input. She noted that this work was in the very early stages, and she would provide regular updates so that Members could continue to make informed decisions.

- f) This item was DEFERRED because Dwr Cymru had been busy undertaking other work in relation to their SMART metering project, and therefore, had not been able to meet with the Placeplan Officer and CCBC’s ITDT Officer to reach agreement about what would be fundable under the terms of their Sensor donation.
- g) It was NOTED that Beach of Dreams UK had officially launched, and Members would begin to see promotion of this event across the Town Council’s social media channels.
- h) It was NOTED that Cartrefi Conwy’s Community Space was scheduled to open to the public November 1st.

Meeting Closed at 7:35pm

Signed
(Chairman)