



Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

Cynhelir cyfarfod y PWYLLGOR POLISI A CHYLLID am 6.45yh ar Dydd Iau 20 Hydref 2022. A meeting of the POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE was held at 6.45pm on Thursday 20th October 2022 by remote attendance.

284/22 **Cofrestr Presenoldeb - Attendance Register**

The Mayor, Cllr. A Hunter,
Cllrs: T. Brennan; M. Davies; D. Fetherstonhaugh;
P. Heap-Williams; G. Hughes; J. Jones; S. Jones-Roberts; P. Luckock; C. McCoubrey;
N. Williams; A. Williamson; A. Wood (Chairman); K. Yarwood
Mrs. M. J. Evans (Town Clerk)

285/22 **Ymddiheuriadau am Absenoldeb - Apologies for Absence**

Cllr R Griffiths-Williams, Cllr D Green,

286/22 **Yn absennol heb ymddiheuriad - Absence without Apologies**

None

287/22 **Datganiad o Ddiddordeb - Disclosure of Interest**

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

Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh	Min No:	289/22	(c)
Cllr. A. Williamson	Min No:	289/22	(c)
Cllr. G. Hughes	Min No:	289/22	(d)
Cllr. A Hunter	Min No:	289/22	(c)

288/22 **Cofnodion – Minutes**

It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN as a correct record the minutes from the Minutes from the last meeting of the Policy & Finance Committee, held on Dydd Iau/Thursday 21st July 2022

289/22 **Correspondence**

- a) An email from Gwynedd Pension Fund with an invite to the Fund Valuation meeting on the 26th October 2022 was RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and NOTED.
- b) (i) The Draft Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report determinations for 2023/24 and to resolve the mandatory determination was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED.

Determination 4	All members £156 pa	Allowance
	All members £52 pa	Consumables
Budget required	£3328	

It was RESOLVED that the consumables amount would be paid as a round sum payment



Senior role £500 1 mandatory - up to 5 members optional
(only 1 approved previously)

Mayoral allowance up to £1500 (approved previously)
Deputy Mayor Allowance up to £500 (not approved previously)

Travel 45p per mile out of area (previously approved)
Care Allowance £500 mandatory (previously approved)

It was RESOLVED to continue with the status quo and all of the above were APPROVED.

PROPOSED by Cllr. Alan Hunter
SECONDED by Cllr. T. Brennan

(ii) The Consultation document was RECEIVED. It was NOTED that the council did not have any observations.

Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh retired at this juncture

Cllr. A. Williamson retired at this juncture except to return briefly to clarify a point on the details of the proposal

- c) A request for funding from St. Michael's Church and Canolfan Dewi Sant as part of the 'warmer places' project was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. It was NOTED that if another religious group request funding then they should be provided the same privilege.
Cllr. Williamson explained that the purpose was to give people a place to go to keep warm during this difficult winter. St. Paul's Church, the Family Centre, Abergele Library and the Old People's Club are among the others groups to offer the service between now and next March. Men shed are also offering a cup of tea.
It was RESOLVED to APPROVE £250 for both of the organisations and if further funding is required in due course that the organisations contact the Council again in the future.

PROPOSED by Cllr. T. Brennan
SECONDED by Cllr C. McCoubrey

Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh and Cllr. Williamson returned at this juncture

Cllr. G. Hughes retired at this juncture

- d) An email from North Wales Police with a request to park up to six cars in the Town Council car park during the period of the replacement work to their heating system was RECEIVED. It was NOTED that the email stated that the users were accessing the training centre. It was RECOMMENDED that the Clerk establishes an end date for the request.

Cllr. G. Hughes returned at this juncture



- e) An email and letter from Rialtas Finance support regarding the sale of the business was RECEIVED.
- f) An email from Abergele Camera Club with an offer for the Town Council to take ownership of the loaned display boards was RECEIVED, CONSIDERED and APPROVED.

290/22 **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 is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and instructed to withdraw. (Item No: 291/22)**

- 291/22 (i) An email from North Wales Police following a recent meeting was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. It was RECOMMENDED to start taking a meter reading for the electric on a monthly basis and to request that a water meter is installed for the monitoring of the Town Council's water usage. The provision of ring fencing budget from the current reserves to cover the cost of utilities was DEFERRED to the next meeting.

PROPOSED by Cllr. D. Fetherstonhaugh
SECONDED by Cllr. P. Luckock

- (ii) The setting of a budget figure for the 2023/24 utility charges was DEFERRED to the next meeting.

292/22 **The Financial Situation as at today was NOTED:-**

Current Account	£44288.40
Monthly Interest Account	268013.29
General Reserve	<u>78786.75</u>
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>£391088.44</u>
Hall & Development Account	<u>£49,550.48</u>

293/22 **Payment of Accounts**

The payment of accounts falling due, as detailed on Schedule 'A' was APPROVED as £42851.93

294/22 **Monthly Report**

A copy of the Monthly report as at 30th September 2022 was RECEIVED.

295/22 **Minutes**

The Minutes from the following meetings were RECEIVED:

- a) Events Sub Committee meeting held on the 13th June 2022
- b) Events Sub Committee meeting held on the 5th September 2022

Meeting Closed at 7:40pm

Signed
(Chairman)