



# Cyngor Tref Abergele Town Council

## Minutes

A meeting of the Placeplan Committee was held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 6:45pm.

- 474/22 **Attendance Register**  
The Mayor, Cllr. A Hunter,  
Cllrs: T. Brennan; S. Jones-Roberts; A. Williamson; C. McCoubrey; A. Wood;  
J. Jones; N. Williams; R. Griffiths-Williams; G. Hughes; P. Luckock  
Mrs. Linda Tavernor;  
Mr James Harland (CCBC)  
Mr. Shane Wetton (CCBC)  
Mr Liam Gaskell (TEP)  
Mrs M. J. Evans (Clerk)  
Mr. Jesse Lock (Place Plan Coordinator)  
Members of the public
- 475/22 **Apologies**  
Cllrs: D. Fetherstonhaugh; D. Green; K. Yarwood; M. Davies; Mr Neville Eden;
- 476/22 **Absence with no apologies**  
Cllr. P. Heap-Williams;
- 477/22 **Declaration of Interest**  
Members are reminded that they must declare the **existence** and **nature** of any personal and/or prejudicial interests (using the form provided for this purpose).  
Cllr C McCoubrey Minute Number: 480/22 (a).  
Cllr P. Luckock Minute Number: 480/22 (b).  
Cllr A. Woods Minute Number: 480/22 (d)
- 478/22 **Minutes**  
**It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN as a correct record the Minutes of the last Placeplan Committee meeting, held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022.**
- 479/22 **Guest Speaker**  
A member of the public was given permission to address members by the Chairman about the proposed Pump Track project with regard to the public meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023. This meeting was attended by approximately 70 interested residents and councillors. The group agreed to form a committee to take the project forward. The aim to conduct a S.W.O.T. analysis to identify an appropriate location for the track. Councillors thanked the member of the public for his work and dedication on this project.
- An update from Liam Gaskell from TEP landscape Architects, Shane Wetton (CCBC) and James Harland (CCBC) who provided members with an overview of the Green Gele project. As the project is near the Welsh Gov deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> January for project change submissions, Welsh Gov confirmed that the funding could not be used for a Pump Track.



3 options were discussed; 1. Event space/bandstand and greening. 2. Purely greening project. 3. Terminate the project.

Documents were presented sharing cost breakdown for the project, visuals of potential event space, and a concept design for a scooped area to host events with a sweep of structures to provide event space. Costings had risen due to covid over the course of the project. No power or lighting incorporated, but can be fitted at a later date to the proposed structures if required. Will be a minimum of 20metres from Rugby club. The events space will be positioned to assist with the screening the storage units at the Sports Pavilion.

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**Matters arising on those and previous minutes**

- a) Following the guests presentations Councillors raised queries including - why there was no hard landscape path planned for Park Gele and requested it be included.  
Clarification on revenue costs – CCBC officers responded that the proposed structures would have maintenance costs built in for 5 years with an additional 2 years provided by product warranty.  
A number of further questions were raised with regard to soil health and how the proposed planting would affect the parks ecology. The Consultant and Place Plan Facilitator responded that the Local Places for Nature and Trees officers had been a part of the consultation and design process, and that appropriate changes had been made in line with their input.  
The committee had been expected to see a more detailed planting plan, breakdown of costs and design for the events space.  
It was PROPOSED by Cllr McCoubrey to support the development of option 1. Events space/bandstand and greening. SECONDED by Cllr Luckock.  
It was RECOMMENDED that TEP and CCBC return with detailed designs for council at the soon as possible (Ordinary meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb/GP&P 9<sup>th</sup> Feb)  
It was further RECOMMENDED that an option for a raised performance area/bandstand be incorporated into the design for review.
- b) An update was RECEIVED from Cllr Luckock with regard to the Pump track public meeting held 25.01.23. Context for the project was given and 6 members of the public will now form a committee for the pump track. Mr T. Johnstone will be the secretary.  
It was PROPOSED to accept the Pump Track onto the Place Plan priority list by Cllr McCoubrey  
SECONDED by Cllr Wood.
- c) An update was RECEIVED from the Place Plan Facilitator with regard to the CVSC Green Energy project. Target of 10 community buildings has been reached. Additional contingency funding to be returned following the conclusion of the final Q&A – Approved by Committee.  
**It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the refund of £2200 to CVSC**  
PROPOSED by Cllr J. Jones,  
SECONDED by Cllr Jones-Roberts.
- d) An update was RECEIVED from the Place plan Facilitator with regard to the Waymarker project.  
**It was RESOLVED to refund the match funding from the Abergele Round Table £1200 and Friends of Abergele Parklands £300 as the project has not been completed to date**  
PROPOSED by Cllr. A. Hunter,  
SECONDED by Cllr McCoubrey



- e) An update was RECEIVED from the Place plan Facilitator with regard to the TFW Maes Canol project. It was agreed between partners that due to the late change in project location, it would be impractical to deliver the project to required standards within the funding timeframe. TFW and Cartrefi Conwy have both indicated that they would revisit the project in the new round of funding as they were delighted with the redesign. The Place Plan Facilitator will follow up at appropriate date. To conclude this portion of the project a letter of termination has been sent. The Town Council has funded £590 on Daffodil bulbs for the original design.  
It was PROPOSED by Cllr McCoubrey to request a refund for the Daffodils,  
SECONDED by Cllr Brennan.
- f) An update was RECEIVED from the Place plan Facilitator with regard to the Abergele business forum and Town Teams. The groups are open to working with ATC on Events for this year. Discussions for developing this idea are scheduled for 2 February (Business forum) and 8<sup>th</sup> February (Town Team.) A request from the Business forum to host the meeting in the Town Hall was RECEIVED and CONSIDERED. It was APPROVED to waiver the room hire fee.
- g) An update was RECEIVED from the Place plan Facilitator with regard to the Menter Iaith project. There are plans for a Welsh language comedy night on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April at the Abergele Golf Club. Menter Iaith have requested clarification on the section 106 funding process. It was RECOMMENDED that the Place Plan Facilitator liaise with CCBC officers on the matter.
- h) An update was RECEIVED from the Place plan Facilitator with regard to the Queens Jubilee woodlands project including 5 quotes from tree suppliers. The project has been reworked to plant all the trees on 3 sites as opposed to the original 7, to work with landholders who can facilitate. The trees will be supplied by 2 separate specialist nurseries, based in Wales. The nurseries are small scale, independent, so the trees will require collection. All costs are comfortably inside the Lottery funding budget.  
**It was RESOLVED TO APPROVE Quotes 4 (£960) and 5 (£778.4 plus fuel delivery costs (£134.10))**  
PROPOSED Cllr Luckock  
SECONDED Cllr Brennan with one objection.
- i) The weight restriction signage has been installed on the Tan Y Gopa road. It was RECOMMENDED to send a letter of thanks to CCBC officer.

Meeting Closed at 8.40pm

Signed .....  
(Chairman)