



Cyngor Tref Abergele Town Council

Minutes

A meeting of the Placeplan Committee was held on Thursday 25th May 2023 at 6:45pm by hybrid attendance.

42/23 Attendance Register

The Mayor, Cllr C. McCoubrey

Cllrs: T. Brennan; S. Jones-Roberts; A. Williamson; G. Hughes;
P. Luckock; J. Jones; D. Fetherstonhaugh; K. Yarwood; M. Davies; D. Green; A.
Wood; N. Williams; P. Heap-Williams; A. Hunter.

Mr Neville Eden

Mrs F. Taggart (Assistant Clerk)

Mr. J. Lock (Place Plan Coordinator)

Members of the public

43/23 Apologies

Mrs. Linda Tavernor

44/23 Absence with no apologies

45/23 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 P. Luckock – Prejudicial

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Cllr C. McCoubrey – Non prejudicial

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Cllr K. Yarwood – Non prejudicial

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Cllr D. Green - Non prejudicial

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Cllr D. Green is stand in Chair of the meeting as Cllr C. McCoubrey is attending remotely.

Guest Speaker

Mally Tidswell (CCBC – Principal Leisure Manager) presented an application for Section 106 Open spaces funding. This is to develop a 4G sports pitch on the Dinorben field belonging to Ysgol Emrys ap Iwan. Request for 19k of section 106 funding from open spaces fund to contribute to the overall cost of 29k. This 29k will cover the consultant fee's to assess the viability of the project at the proposed site and to develop plans to create a 'shovel ready' project.

Project team are looking at a number of other grant funding streams to address the 10k shortfall. Should they be unsuccessful in obtaining these funds then the section 106 funding will be available for other projects.

Abergele FC will negotiate a Primary user agreement but it is expected that there will be a host of community groups that will benefit from the 4G sports pitch, including Pentre FC, Ysgol Emrys ap Iwan, and multiple other sports clubs as there is currently a capacity issue on the 3G pitch.



There is a desire to address the obesity crisis and provide fitness facilities as part of the Future Generations Act.

In terms of funding for the build element, Football Association Wales (FAW) has a significant fund to develop legacy projects such as this. With Abergele FC's recent success on the pitch, now would be a good time to capitalise on it.

Councillors thanked Mally Tidswell for his presentation and time.

46/23 **Minutes**

It was RESOLVED to RECEIVE, APPROVE and SIGN as a correct record the Minutes of the last Placeplan Committee meeting, held on 27th April 2023.

47/23 **Matters arising on those and previous minutes**

- a) Following on from the guest speaker, Councillors considered the application for section 106 funds to carry out a feasibility study into building a 4G pitch on the Dinorben field. Cllr P Luckock left the room following is Declaration of Interest. Councillors requested clarification on the exact amount left in the open spaces fund (request is for £18,955.64) Councillors also asked how much was allocated in the ATC sports fund for this year? The Clerk confirmed that the allocated amount is 10k.

It was PROPOSED that we allocate the requested funds to the 4G pitch subject to match funding been obtained.

PROPOSED by: Cllr McCoubrey

SECONDED by: Cllr Hunter

Unanimously APPROVED

- b) The Place Plan Facilitator presented a report on the new consultation process, including timeframe, locations, and formats. Councillors queried the need for the larger 'Regeneration board' projects to be on the priority list. The Place Plan Facilitator expanded on this, how including the larger projects is important for the whole vision of Abergele and to create consistency throughout the town. Councillors requested a consultation event at Belgrano – possibly the playground. Councillors also encouraged to see engagement planned with schools and youth groups. The Place Plan Facilitator discussed that further detail will be presented at the consultation for all the proposed projects, what was presented today was just the outline.
- c) The Place Plan Facilitator provided an update on the section 106 Education fund, with information detailing requirements for spend. Councillors requested a similar summary report for each section 106 funding pot.
- d) The Place Plan Facilitator provided an update on the EnRAW Green Gele project, including planting, watering and maintenance issues. There was also an update on the



progress of the Events space – construction detail is nearing completion and TEP are aiming for a June/Aug build. Councillors request that Place Plan Facilitator provide interested members of public with an update on maintenance issues. Cllr Wood mentioned that Abergele Cricket Club used to have a tree within their boundary, which led to the tree on their crest. Would they like to reinstate that tree?

- e) Place Plan Facilitator to follow up with Smart town about info session for Councillors.
- f) Menter Iaith are creating a report to summarise work carried out and potential for future projects.

Meeting Closed at 7.52pm

Signed
(Chairman)

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