## Aberhafesp Community Council

Minutes of Aberhafesp Community Council meeting held on 28th November 2018 at the Community Centre.

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Declaration of Interest
- 4. Minutes of previous meeting
- 5. Matters arising
- 6. Financial Update
- 7. Planning Ref: 18/0803/FUL Sunny View Caravan Park Extension of caravan park to provide and additional 15 static caravans and 5 holiday lodges, formation of vehicle access and parking, landscaping and associated works.

Ref: 18/0979/VAR Penhelyg Aberhafesp - Application to discharge a section 106 agreement to planning permission M20790

- 8. Correspondence
- 9. Street Lighting
- 10. Quoiting Beds
- 11. Other Issues

**Present:** Cllrs. N Hamer (chair), R Jones, R Amy, G Green, J Hopkins, A Nutting, A Pryce, R Hamer (clerk)

**Also present:** John Owen, Lynn Swaine, Roger Swaine, Roy Rylands, Rob Gallier, Patrick Fitzgerald, Stephanie Arrowsmith, Stevie Pryce, Liz Owen, Darren Owen, Sharon Taylor, Geoff Taylor

- 1. **Welcome -** The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. Appologies C Cllr H Hulme
- 3. **Declaration of Interest None**
- 4. **Minutes –** Minutes of the previous meeting had been sent out to each councillor prior to this meeting. Proposed by Cllr A Nutting, Seconded by Cllr J Hopkins. All in agreement minutes to be adopted. Chairman signed accordingly.
- 5. **Matters arising Beechcroft -** No Decision, no movement since Feb 18.

**Rhydlydan Mill** - No Decision, no movement since 18th Sept 18.

**Cwm Farm feed store -** No Decision, no movement since 14<sup>th</sup> June 18.

**Arosfa Bwlch y FFridd** - No Decision, no movement since 18th Oct 18.

**Llanwnog Muck Spreading -** No decision, no movement since 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 18.

**Cwm Farm Extension of poultry unit -** No decision, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Nov Powys ramblers and Environmental Health commented.

Cefn Llydan blocked drains, No update - Clerk to contact PCC

Oakdene Bwlch y Ffridd, No update since design department looking into.

Gregynog Hall Carport/Garage removal - No date given yet.

Warning sign of bend in road Aberhafesp obstructed - RESOLVED

**6. Financial Update –** Clerk gave out analysis of accounts and noted that the combined total in account is £3018.15. Signed by chair Cllr N Hamer

**Precept -** It was agreed at the previous meeting to increase the precept by 5%, clerk gave out spreadsheet that showed the precept for the next financial year would be £5617.50. Signed by Chair Cllr N Hamer

**Online banking –** It had been agreed and bank request form signed at previous meeting, but had now issued another form to be signed by chair and another councillor. Signed by Chair Cllr N Hamer and Cllr G Green.

- **Cheques signed -** Wages R Hamer Clerk £369.05 and HMRC PAYE £92.20.
- 7. **Planning Ref 18/0803/FUL Sunny View Caravan Park –** After discussion it was agreed that there were no objections but to make note that it was now an ideal opportunity for highways to look at the extra passing places that would be needed. Proposed by Cllr. R Jones, Seconded by Cllr G Green, all in agreement.
  - Ref 18/0979/VAR Penhelyg Aberhafesp application to discharge a section 106. After discussion it was decided to object to the application. There are less houses available to local people, and that they object to losing all the local needs housing in the area.
- **8.** Correspondence Email had been received from Abermule with Llandyssil Community Council asking for our support against the planned industrial scale bulk recycling plant. After discussion it was decided that no letter of support was to be sent, as do not know the full case history.
  - **ALP Llandrindod Wells Fire station –** An email had been received asking for support to oppose the plans to move the ALP (Arial Lift Platform) from Llandrindod Wells fire station to Aberystwyth. It was decided not to send a letter as did not have any expertise to comment.
- 9. **Street Lighting C** Cllr H Hulme had informed that PCC would be writing to Community Councils sometime in December with regards to transferring street lighting over to town and community councils. Community Councils will have to pay £10 per light per year to leave on overnight except lights at junctions. This would possibly need to be factored into the precept for next year. 4 x Hill Crest (1 junction), 1 x Bwlch y Ffridd, 1 x Pentre, 2 x Glan y Nant (1 junction). It was decided to leave precept as already agreed for the next financial year. All in agreement.
- 10. **Quoiting Beds -** A letter was read out from Community council solicitors in response to Roy Rylands letter of the previous meeting, see attached.
  - Cllr R Amy said that if the Quoiting beds were to be sold, as it was not suitable as a village green, some of the money raised could be used to purchase land behind the houses of Tan y Bwlch. Information was handed out by Cllr. R Amy. Cllr N Hamer pointed out that a final decision had not been made on whether to sell the land. Roy Rylands stated that the land had been given to the residents of Bwlch y Ffridd and paid for by the residents of Bwlch y Ffridd back in 1920/30 and so the land should remain for Bwlch y Ffridd, he then handed a letter stating that section 124 of the 1972 local government act states that a community council can only acquire land by agreement and he then handed a petition, and that section 126 of the same act states that the intention to appropriate land must be advertised for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper, and that objections should be considered and that this had not been done. Cllr N Hamer pointed out that this would be passed to our solicitors for comment. It was asked why this is only been brought up now as it had taken the Community Council 12 years to get possessory title to this land? It was stated that if the land was sold the money could be used to keep the precept down to benefit all of the community of Aberhafesp, and that the council here were not against the community but here to benefit the whole of the Community. If it was sold a trust fund could be set up and

members of the community could be on the trust fund committee. After a lot of very good discussion, with suggestions of using the land for a park for people to sit or allotments, Community council stated that they do not have money to spend on the upkeep or changes to the land. It was 12/14 years ago somebody tried to claim the land and Community council stepped in, Bwlch y Ffridd would not have that land today if they had not done this. There were no original deeds so did not know if there was a claw back clause, this is why the Community Council has waited for 12 years. Roy Rylands produced a copy of a deed/map that showed the field was originally twice the size it was now, and that it proved the land belonged to the people of Bwlch y Ffridd. It was decided to end the discussion until a council meeting in the new year. The residents requested a site meeting in the new year, to look at land, residents to get in touch to arrange a suitable date. Proposed Cllr R Jones, Seconded Cllr A Nutting, all in agreement.

11. **Other Issues –** Edward Parry sent thanks for the donation of £50 for Lingen Davies Cancer fund.

Village Green application in Hill Crest was successful by Cllr R Amy. Cllr A Pryce stated that salt had not yet been delivered on Coppice Bank, it was noted that Bwlch y Ffridd bank had none either. Clerk to inform PCC Highways.

Chairman closed the meeting at 8.54pm.