## Aberhafesp Community Council

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Minutes of the Aberhafesp Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 21st July 2021 via Zoom.

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Declaration of Interest
- 4. Minutes of previous meeting
- 5. Matters arising
- 6. Financial Update
  - a) Bank Reconciliation.
  - b) HSBC Increase of daily spend limit.
  - c) Payments to members 2020/21
- 7. Planning 21/1188/FUL Land Adj. Bethel Chapel, Aberhafesp Erection of general-purpose agricultural building and formation of a vehicular access and roadway.
- 8. Register of interests and declaration form.
- 9. Aberhafesp sign/speed review.
- 10. Bend at bottom of Pontprenllwyd bank.
- 11. Correspondence
  - a) Consultation on qualifications of clerks in Wales. <a href="https://gov.wales/community-council-clerk-qualifications-regulations">https://gov.wales/community-council-clerk-qualifications-regulations</a>
- 12. County Councillor update
- 13. Other Issues

**Present:** Cllrs. N Hamer (chair), A Nutting (vice), G Green, R Jones, R Amy, Mrs R Hamer (clerk) Cllr S Pryce and C Cllr H Hulme notified that they would be 10 minutes late.

- 1. **Welcome -** Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. **Apologies -** Cllr J Hopkins.
- 3. **Declaration of interest -** None
- 4. **Minutes of previous meeting** had been sent to all councillors, these were accepted and to be adopted.
- 5. **Matters arising –** Bank Farm Pigs Pending Consideration, Aberhafesp Hall East wing Pending Consideration, Aberhafesp Hall Flat 2 Approved RESOLVED, Bank Farm Rural Enterprise Pending Consideration, Haulfryn Hillcrest Pending Consideration.
- 6. **Financial Update –** Bank £4530.45 plus £30,000 Clerk advised that a possible account had been found for the £30,000 but the details had not come through in time for this meeting. Details to be sent to Cllrs for them to review in time for the next meeting.

  Daily spend limit of £400 at HSBC to be increased to £500, so that clerks wages could be paid. Clerk advised that the annual report detailing payments to members had been completed and had been sent to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales and also displayed on Council's website.
  - Cllr Pryce and C Cllr Hulme had not joined the meeting so chair decided to proceed with agenda in different order:
- 7. **Planning** added on at chairs discretion, Cllrs had been sent details prior to the meeting: 21/1295/FUL Erection of steel portal framed building to cover the existing manure storage area,

- over existing concrete area and all other associated works Cwm Bwlch y Ffridd. Cllrs had no objection to this application.
- 8. **Register of interest and declaration form –** It was explained that in order to comply the form they had been sent needed to be filled in if they declared an interest and handed into the clerk. This would then form the register that would be displayed on the website. Clerk would look at the last 12 months to start the register.
- 10 **Bend at bottom of Pontprenllwyd bank -** Cllrs had been sent details, clerk had asked for a response from Highways. 7.41pm Cllr Pryce and C Cllr Hulme joined the meeting. It was noted that it was local people that had, had the accidents. The bend would look different when the grass was cut and the hedge brushed. C Cllr Hulme noted that the grass cutting had now changed to 1 cut in May and July and a full width cut in September. It was decided to wait for response from Highways.
- 7. **Planning -** 21/1188/FUL Land Adj. Bethel Chapel, Aberhafesp After discussion it was decided to send the following comments: This planning application is in a different name to the previous application 20/2109/FUL any concerns from this application should be readdressed. The applicant owns the land the chapel stands on but not the chapel, is the chapel going to be left into disrepair? Why is it an agricultural building the applicant does not farm? What is the justification for the size of the building to the size of the land? It was noted that if animals were to be kept in the building it is close proximity to Elderbush, which would cause noise and smell issues.
- 9. **Aberhafesp sign/speed review –** Cllr Amy had written a response to Highways and was hoping for agreement to send from Councillors, and went on to explain his reasons. The responses from the councillors were read out. 8pm Cllr Nutting left the meeting. C Cllr Hulme noted that the holiday park had been approved and if the Crematorium was approved going forward would be a classic opportunity to request speed review and changes, not now but in the future, as the evolving traffic situation will provide opportunity to request changes. It was decided to go ahead with the proposal from Highways, but to monitor the situation, 3 votes for, 1 abstention, and 1 against. C Cllr Hulme advised that she was trying to work on a SID, Speed Indication Device, at no cost to the Community Council, more discussion was needed.
- 11 **Correspondence –** Consultation on qualifications of clerks in Wales. Decided to see nearer the time if this was passed.
- 12 **County Councillor Update –** Biodiversity Officer flora and fauna and landscape, had access to seed bank for native wild flowers to Powys. Officer to look as ash die back, a survey on ash trees on A roads followed by B, C and U roads. In autumn trees would be cut down. If trees on private land it was the landowners responsibility. Broadband sign was to be left up, 174 expressions of interest, waiting for Welsh Government to sign off digital agreement.
- 13 **Other Issues -** Tarmac pulling up off road already reported to highways. During a Community Centre meeting concern of the number of potholes had been expressed to the councillors present. A 3<sup>rd</sup> jet patcher had been invested, but there was a back log due to Covid.

No other issues the meeting was closed at 8.40pm