

# Aberhafesp Community Council

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Minutes of Aberhafesp Community Council meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Declaration of Interest
4. Members of the public speaking session (15 minutes maximum)
5. Minutes of previous meeting
6. Matters arising
7. Financial Update
8. Audit 2021/22
9. Planning: 22/2217/FUL Tan y Foel Quarry, Cefn Coch - Lateral extension of the quarry extraction area and waste stone tipping area, deepening of the base of the quarry by two additional benches and progressive restoration to grassland, landscaped lake and woodland with biodiversity and geodiversity interest
10. Community Council Website
11. Speed Indicator Device update
12. Correspondence
13. County Councillor update
14. Other Issues

**Present:** Cllrs. A Nutting (chair), N Hamer, J Hopkins, Mrs R Hamer (clerk)

1. Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Apologies: Cllrs R Jones, G Green, S Pryce, C Cllr. Hulme
3. Declaration of interest - None
4. Public Speaking session - None present
5. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as a true record
6. Matters arising: Planning- Old Rectory and Glan Llyn - Approved RESOLVED
7. Financial Update: Bank Reconciliation £5403.19 most of it earmarked. CCLA account has paid a dividend of £174.45 transferred to savings account and a separate record kept. Expecting a statement of the account in April. Invoices paid - Audit Wales 2020/21 £350.00, still waiting for invoice for 2021/22. PCC Election fee £335.23, Westcotec - SID £3829.20 - Approved. Request for payment of clerks expenses £19.65 Approved. The Policy for paying invoices has been done, it will be sent out with all other policies for review ready for the AGM.
8. Audit for 2021/22 has been received back, only one matter that was noted but did not affect the audit opinion was there was no invoice from Sian - internal auditor,

only an email requesting payment. They do not dispute that the work has been done, but suggest a proper invoice prior to paying. Chair to ask if Sian would be willing to do the internal audit again this year. Full audit was done for the first time this year if there was any comments or issues this would have been shown on this audit opinion.

9. Planning Tan y Foel Quarry, Cefn Coch – Planning sent as are a neighbouring council. It was noted that the traffic from the quarry would not be coming through Bwlch y Ffridd as it had done, many years ago. No comments would be sent.
10. Community Council website – Spanglefish no longer will be updating the current free site. There are a lot adverts from google that pop up, and the current site is not compatible on phones tablets etc. Moving to Spanglefish 3 the website would be rebuilt at a cost of either £78.00 per annum or £103 per annum for a domain of our own. It was decided to go with the £78 per annum address. Clerk to arrange.
11. Speed Indicator Device Update – Report from Cllr Amy was noted. The SID had been tried in a couple of positions, there were a few teething problems, the data needed to be deleted from the SID each time the information was downloaded. Batteries are lasting approximately 2 weeks before they are swapped over. It was decided the SID would be left in each position for a month before moved, starting from its current position.

Data from the SID:

	Caersws to Newtown End Dec – 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 30mph	Church 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan 40mph
Average Daily Count	495	760 NB.
No. of cars AM Peak	8am – 9am - 57	9am – 10am - 62
No. of cars PM Peak	2pm – 3pm - 52	4pm – 5pm - 90
85 <sup>th</sup> Percentile speeds	33.2 mph	38.8 mph
50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile speeds	28.1 mph	33.8 mph
Fastest speed recorded	55 mph @ midnight	60 mph @ midnight

NB Accident on the main Newtown to Caersws road, traffic coming through Aberhafesp.

12. Correspondence – Requests for donations – these will be looked at in the AGM.
13. Latest report for C Cllr Hulme had been sent out to all Councillors
14. Other Issues – Potholes – the large hole above Tyn y Bedw had been reported again this week, other potholes reported seem to have been dealt with. It was noted that the main road from the junction of Bwlch y Ffridd to Wern Ddu farm is starting to deteriorate. Clerk to contact highways.

No other issues the Chair closed the meeting at 8pm.