

Aberhafesp Community Council

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Minutes of the Aberhafesp Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 27th July 2022 at Aberhafesp Community Centre.

1. **Welcome**
2. **Apologies**
3. **Declaration of Interest**
4. **Minutes of previous meeting**
5. **Matters arising**
6. **Financial Update**
7. **Update of SID - report from Highways**
8. **Update of £30,000 investment**
9. **Correspondence**
10. **County Councillor update**
11. **Other Issues**

Present: Cllrs. A Nutting (chair), G Green (vice), N Hamer, R Amy, R Jones, C Cllr. H Hulme, R Hamer (clerk)

1. **Welcome** - The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies** - Cllrs. J Hopkins, S Pryce
3. **Declaration of Interest** - None
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** - RESOLVED was a true record, minutes signed by chair.
5. **Matters arising** - Bank Farm, Glan Llyn, Land south of Bwlch y Ffridd - Pending Consideration. Bwlch Cae Haidd, Ardwyn, Wern To - Approved - RESOLVED
6. **Financial Update** - Bank Reconciliation - £5019.37 plus £30,000
Invoice from Financial Advisor received £954. Clerk noted that she had paid this as interest would be charged if late paying. Agreed to donate £250 to Community Association - Clerk to arrange payment.
7. **Update of SID - report from Highways.** Report had been sent to all Councillors prior to meeting. Cllr Amy requested that the residents of Aberhafesp should be asked where to position the SIDs and that there should be more discussion on this. C Cllr Hulme pointed out that the data collected and the report from Highways backs up where the SIDs are to be positioned. Cllr Amy suggested that a survey to the residents should be done and was prepared to go around and collect the information. It was noted that a survey would be inconclusive, as could end up with multiple

suggestions for the location of the SIDs. C Cllr Hulme noted that the residents could have attended any of the meetings when the SID was on the agenda.

Cllr Hamer proposed to go ahead with the position as suggested by Highways – No seconder. Cllr Amy proposed that a survey should be carried out – No seconder.

The chair decided that we should go ahead with the suggestion from Highways.

C Cllr Hulme noted that Tregynon SID now had a solar panel as this saved on the charging and changing of the batteries. The loan application form required two signatories it was decided that this would be the chair and vice chair. It was noted that this time it has taken to get to this point the cost of the SID has now increased by £266 plus VAT, this did however include a Bluetooth download of the information as they no longer provided a USB to PC download. Clerk noted that she was still trying to get a cost of the poles and erection for the SIDs from Highways. They had previously suggested it would be £200 plus VAT each. Clerk to get confirmation from Highways and email Cllrs if it was any different, otherwise to go ahead and order.

8. **Update of £30,000 investment** – Application from now needed to be filled out and needed a minimum of two signatories up to four. It was decided to go with chair and vice chair and Cllr Hamer. The money would be in control of the Community Council, but residents would be invited to attend the meeting to put any suggestions forward of what the interest from the investment could be spent on.
9. **Correspondence** – Email from Cllr. Amy sent prior to the meeting to all Councillors. After attending the Community Association meeting, they had requested that the Community Council fund the shortfall of funding for the Aberhafesp newsletter, as they see this as a community service rather than linked to the Community Association. The newsletter would need no more than £50 per edition, 4 editions per year and that they needed some sort of guarantee that the council would pay. In addition to the copies that are emailed they needed to print 100 copies for residents that prefer to receive it in this way. It was generally noted that the council would help, with a donation, but the money would need to be given to the Community Association and not to the editors account for Audit purposes, a copy of the accounts of the income and expenditure would also be needed. Clerk to contact editor for the information needed.
10. **County Councillor Hulme** gave an update, it was noted that there were no projects with highways for the Aberhafesp, Bwlch y Ffridd areas, just routine repairs. Councillors were particularly concerned with the number of families and children that were living in poverty in Powys.
11. **Other Issues** – Cllr Amy stated that he has recently attended a Caersws Community Council meeting and that they had 15 minutes at the beginning of the meeting for any residents to ask questions or comment on anything on the agenda and thought that this was a good idea. It was proposed to try this out. It was also noted that if anybody had any questions that they should be sent to clerk prior to the meeting so that an answer could be prepared.

No other issues the chair closed the meeting at 8.05pm.

