

Aberhafesp Community Council

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Minutes of the Aberhafesp Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 23rd November 2022, at the community centre.

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
 - a) Bank reconciliation
 - b) Budget 2023/24
 - c) Update on full audit 2021/22
8. Planning 22/1632/HH - The Old Rectory, Aberhafesp - Change of use of land from agricultural to residential use as an extension of the existing residential curtilage.
9. Update on CCLA bank account
10. Update on SID
11. Change of Council meeting day to a Monday?
12. Correspondence
 - a) Request from editor of newsletter to find a local business to advertise in the newsletter.
13. County Councillor update
14. Other Issues

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

Also present: E Parry, H Parry, S Jones

1. Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies** - C Cllr. Hulme
3. **Declaration of Interest** - None
4. **Members of the public speaking session** - Those present wished to speak later in the meeting.
5. **Minutes of the previous meeting** - Approved as a true record
6. **Matters arising** - Bank Farm - refused, Glan Llyn - Pending Consideration, Isfryn Barn - Approved
7. Chair decided to swap point 7 and 8. **Planning - The Old Rectory, Aberhafesp** - Cllr Amy a resident had contacted him and he agreed that the hedge should be reinstated before the planning was granted. Chair noted that the hedge replacement was on a previous planning application and so was separate to this application. Cllr Hamer also agreed that had to treat each individual application separately, but asked the applicant Mr Jones who stated that yes, the hedge would be replaced. Mr Parry stated that it was sad that the application was only applied for after Mrs Parry contacted the planning enforcement officer. Mr Jones stated that he did not know that he needed to apply. Mr Parry stated that it is the principle of applying before and not after. Cllr. Hamer proposed to support the planning application. Cllr Amy - should be made a condition to reinstate hedge. Cllr. Hamer - that is already a condition on a previous application. All in agreement to support

application except Cllr Amy. Cllr. Amy not opposed to application but thinks replacing the hedgerow should be put in as a condition.

8. **Financial Update**

- a) Bank reconciliation £8166.42 clerk noted that some invoices had not yet been received.
 - b) Proposed budget was given out with a discussion on each point. Cllr Hamer declared an interest in the discussion of the clerk's wages, it was decided to raise the clerks wages by £200, but agreed with all other proposals. Budget/Precept set for 2023/24 at £6445.68.
 - c) Clerk advised councillors that a request for more information had been received from Audit Wales for the full audit - they wanted a copy of the Councils policies for making payments. Clerk advised that they had the financial regulations but did not have it in detail, how the payments were made and the record of transactions kept. Clerk to do this for the next meeting. They also asked for the minutes on the discussion by the council on the insurance levels. No discussion like this had taken place, only the cost of insurance was discussed and then paid.
9. The money has now been transferred to the CCLA bank account, statements will be received April and September. The bank HSBC had charged £17 for sending the money by CHAPS clerk to ask about this as on the website states that there is no charge.
 10. The SID (Speed Indicator Device) has now been ordered and due for delivery within the next 3 weeks. They will invoice on delivery. The post will be erected by PCC by the end on the month.
 11. Aberhafesp YFC have moved their meeting day to a Wednesday, would we be able to move to a Monday meeting. Chair was unable to change as had other commitments on a Monday. Clerk to liaise with YFC, when the Council needed to hold a meeting and possibly meet at an earlier time of 7pm.
 12. **Correspondence** - Editor of the newsletter had asked if the council could find a local business to advertise in the newsletter. Mr Jones stated that he would advertise, contact details of the editor were passed to him, also recently Cllr. Hamer had passed on the editor's details to another company that would possibly like to advertise.
 13. **County Councillor Update** - C Cllr Hulme was not present but her latest report had been sent to all Councillors.
 14. **Other Issues** - Clerk stated that the potholes from the last meeting had been reported but no timescale had been given. It was noted that the pothole by Blackwell was particularly deep. Clerk to contact Council again. There were also potholes from the crossroads by Fachwen Pool heading towards the angler's carpark. Cllr Pryce noted that there was a water leak on the road outside of Newhouse.

No other issues the chair closed the meeting at 8.15pm.