

Aberhafesp Community Council

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Minutes of Aberhafesp Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 28th June 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. Audit/ Annual statement 2022/2023
8. Planning 23/0740/FUL – Tan y Coed Field , Bwlch y Ffridd – Proposed siting of a chalet to be used as holiday accommodation, access improvements, installation of a drainage field and all associated works.
9. Financial Update
 - a) Bank reconciliation
 - b) Update on premium for Council Insurance
10. Correspondence
11. County Councillor update
12. Other Issues

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

Also present: A Griffiths

1. Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Apologies – None
3. Declaration of Interest – None
4. Members of the public speaking session – None
5. Minutes of the previous meetings – AGM & Ordinary meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the chair.
6. Matters arising: AGM None – Ordinary meeting – Land at Aberhafesp and Aberhafesp Hall – Pending Consideration. Old Rectory – Approved
7. Audit/ Annual Statement 2022/23 – Internal Auditor had completed her work but asked that a loan statement should be present. The Annual statement was presented to the Councillors and approved for chair to sign.
8. Planning Tan y Coed field, Bwlch y Ffridd - After discussion it was decided that no comments would be sent in.
9. Financial Update:
 - a) Bank reconciliation £6290.47 – includes dividend payment of £437.50. Next dividend payment was end of June. Clerk had investigated bank accounts for dividend payments HSBC variable at 1.55% or Unity Trust Bank variable 2.62%. Most accounts wanted a

minimum of £1000 to open an account. It was decided to leave it in current bank account until £1000 was reached.

- b) Council Insurance - Current premium could not be changed as the items mentioned at the last meeting came as standard. Cllr. Hulme had given clerk names of other insurance companies that the other councils in her ward used. The basic package for these started at £600+ and this was before you started adding on cover for the SID etc. Clerk had spoken to chair and Cllr. Hamer, it had been agreed to pay the original premium quoted £317.61 as this was considerably cheaper, but would have been over due if left until today's meeting.
- c) Invoice for payment - Hall hire £85, this included today's meeting and an affiliation fee of £25.

10. Correspondence - Email from Cllr. Amy with the stats for the road strips that had been placed in Aberhafesp. Clerk would send email to any Councillors that wished to see them.

11. County Councillor update - Cllr Hulme gave an update on the opening of a pop-up wild camping, campsite that was due to open on Saturday at Pool Cottage. There was a potential for 240 visitors, various routes to the site were c or u class roads. Pool Cottage was a holiday home for the current owners and so would not be on site. Who would be the contact in an emergency with poor mobile signal and who would monitor noise and if BBQs were being used? Access to the site was not very good especially in poor weather. Cllr Hulme read out the responses to her emails. She had also informed the local Police and Fire Brigade. It was decided that the Clerk would send an email highlighting the concerns of the Council. Cllr Hulme to forward the email address of the Powys officers.

Cllr Hulme then read out her latest monthly report. Cllr. Amy asked for a list of what can and cannot be recycled. It was advised to look on the PCC website. Cllr. Hulme would also add it onto her next monthly report.

Cllr. Jones commented on the amount of council houses that were empty as they could not be refurbished quick enough due to lack of staff. Cllr. Hulme noted that the repair and maintenance of the housing had now been brought back in house. Houses needed a lot of upgrading and were almost a brand-new build by the time it was finished.

Two planning enforcement officers had now been recruited for any applicants that failed to comply with the approved planning.

With no further comments the chair closed the meeting at 8.09pm