

Meeting of the Aberffraw Community Council
held at the Village Hall, at 7 pm Wednesday the 15th May 2019

Present: *J H Owens (Chair), R F Owen, M T Smithurst, C Davies, A Jones, Cllr Bryan Owen, Cllr P Rogers*

Apologies: *R B Owen, K Woods, C G Topps, W Hughes, E Evans, S Austin, A Hughes*

1. Mr & Mrs Harwood, Prince Llewelyn B&B

Decision regarding stopping up order deferred from April meeting. Mr and Mrs Harwood in attendance to provide further information to support their request. The Chair invited Mr and Mrs Harwood to explain their position.

Mr and Mrs Harwood explained that a lack of parking area was detrimental to the business and that they have evidence of potential customers going elsewhere as a result of the issue. They maintain that they would not change the appearance of the area and they would be willing to consider the installation of a panel or sign providing information regarding the history of the land as the original highway. They also state that their customers use other businesses within the village, such as the pub, the shop and Llys Llewelyn, and therefore benefit the local economy.

Chair read out a letter received from Mr H R Hughes objecting to the application. Mr Hughes had made the same request in 2005 but was refused. Mr Hughes states that he accepted the reasons given at the time i.e. that the land is used for parking by inhabitants of the village and by visitors / ramblers. He believes that the reasons are even more valid now due to the increase in ramblers and dog walkers in the area.

Mr and Mrs Harwood explained that the original application had been made whilst the Prince Llewelyn was a residential dwelling rather than a business.

It is understood that the planning application relating to the use of the Prince Llewelyn as a Bed and Breakfast specified that parking should be within the curtilage of the building.

CGT expressed concerns regarding the lack of alternative access to the village in the event of a major incident on the junction. Access near the bridge is tidal and, in such circumstances, the old highway would provide the only access.

Chair thanked Mr and Mrs Harwood for attending and both left the meeting.

The matter was discussed at length. It was decided unanimously that the Community Council would not approve the stopping up order for the following reasons:

- Lack of alternative access to the village in the event of an incident on the junction
- The removal of the land from public ownership would not benefit the vast majority of the inhabitants of the community

Clerk to contact Mr and Mrs Harwood to inform them of the decision.

2. Minutes

The minutes for the Meeting held on 20/03/2019 were accepted as correct. Proposed by KW and seconded by AH.

The minutes for the Meeting held on 17/04/2019 were accepted as correct. Proposed by AJ and seconded by CD.

3. Matters Arising from minutes of Meeting held on 17/04/2019

3.1 Website – Clerk to forward information to Mr Stallwood for inclusion on the website.

3.2 Dothan Crossroads – replacement sign – Clerk to make enquiries.

3.3 Overgrowth on boundary between footpath at Maes Llywelyn and the playing field – It was reported that the over-growth had not been cut. KW to make enquiries with Mr Liam Jones.

3.4 Aberffraw in Bloom – JHO reported that he had purchased planters and plants at a total cost of £47.93. JHO to be reimbursed. CD also reported that she has plants available.

3.5 Clerk's post – No enquiries regarding the Clerk's post. It was reported that the advertisement had been circulated to Anglesey County Council staff via the internal email system. All members asked to make enquiries with individuals who may be interested. Current Clerk to remain in post until the end of June 2019.

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3.6 Playing Field – It was reported that the brambles and branches had not been cut. KW to make enquiries with Mr Liam Jones.

3.7 Notice board – JHO reported that there was insufficient space for a noticeboard on the wall of the village hall near the entrance. Further options to be considered. Post Office window to be used as a temporary measure.

3.8. Purchase of Cemetery land – Confirmation received from Anglesey County Council that the sale is proceeding and is currently in the hands of the solicitors.

4. Planning Applications

4.1. Ty Croes Station – listed building planning application for consent to replace windows. No observations.

4.2. Plot 101 Glan y Môr, Aberffraw – Planning application for the erection of a new dwelling. Clerk to express concerns as follows:

- The proposed dwelling is a modern design which is not in keeping with the character of the area.
- Concerns regarding the height of the building in relation to neighbouring buildings
- Concerns regarding parking for the dwelling. Designated area may be tidal.

5. Accounts 2018-2019

Clerk distributed a summary of the accounts for the year including a list of all payments and receipts and a reconciliation of the bank account. It was proposed by MTS and seconded by KW that the accounts for 2018-19 be approved prior to presentation for Internal Audit.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Anglesey County Council – Town and Community Councils Liaison Forum – Minutes of meeting held on 14/03/2019

6.2 Bodorgan Estate- Email from Mr Tim Dodd confirming that the Estate has carried out minor repairs to the track leading through the allotments.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 Playing Field – It was reported that the sheep have been removed from the playing field.

7.2 Bro Branwen – Concerns expressed during April meeting that the contractor does not collect the grass clippings after mowing the grass verges in the area. Cllr B Owen not present to report back.

7.3 Track leading towards Y Cei – Cllr B Owen not present to report back.

7.4 Porth Trecastell (Cable Bay) – Concerns regarding vehicles being parked on the grass verges creating a serious hazard for road users and pedestrians. It was reported that an accident had occurred recently whereby an individual had stepped out in front of a car. Possibility of yellow lines has been discussed in the past however the County Council have been reluctant to take action. CGT suggested no waiting cones could be considered as a temporary measure. Cllr P Rogers to contact Mr Huw Percy, Highways Department to express concerns regarding safety.

7.5 Cemetery – Some concerns regarding grass clippings on stones. JHO to discuss with Mr Liam Jones. Invoices for grass cutting authorised for payment.

7.6 Bro Branwen – AJ expressed concerns regarding the lack of a handrail on the steps at Bro Branwen. It is understood that someone suffered a fall in the last week. Cllr P Rogers to make enquiries.

7.7 Railway Sleepers at access to beach – Clerk reported that Bodorgan Estate are making enquiries with their insurance providers and will make a decision as to whether they will replace the sleepers.

8. Finance

Payments:

17/04/2019	L Jones	Grass cutting	£ 600.00
05/05/2019	L Jones	Grass cutting	£ 160.00
15/05/2019	J H Owens	Planters and plants	£ 47.93

Receipts:

12/04/2019	Anglesey C Council	Footpath grant	£ 700.00
26/04/2019	Anglesey C Council	Precept	£2500.00



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