

Meeting of Aberffraw Community Council

Held at the JOW Room, Village Hall, at 7.15pm on Wednesday 16th February 2022

Present: K Woods (Chair), E Evans, M Smithurst, C Topps, E F Roberts, D Fowlie,
E Roberts.
Clerk – J Davies

Apologies received: R Barry Owen, A Hughes, R Owen, Cllr B Owen, and Cllr Peter Rogers.

1. **Declaration of interest** – DF declared an interest for any points regarding Aberffraw Football Club.
2. **Minutes** – The January minutes were read, with an amendment noted, and agreed. Prop by JS and seconded by CT.
3. **Matters arising from the February minutes** –
 - a. **2022/23 Budget** - KW noted the Extraordinary Meeting called on 2/2/22 to agree the budget and proposed precept increase. At this meeting the final budget was agreed and the clerk, after revision and redistribution to the members, forwarded the claim for 2022/23 to the IACC. KW also noted that nearly every community/Town Council has been forced to increase their precept.
 - b. **Village Hall Bank Account** – From discussion on events to date with the community council and a member of the public, Mrs G Mahon, there was agreement that GM would contact KW/Clerk to agree dates to visit the bank within the next 2 weeks to prevent any legal action by the council. G Griffiths agreed to assist both parties to ensure all necessary forms are submitted to re-open the hall bank account. KW to report back to the council at the next meeting.
 - c. **Asset Register** – Point to be carried forward.
 - d. **Graveyard maintenance** – Point to be carried forward – CT to contact Glenys regarding work to be carried out as weather improved.
 - e. **Notice Board** – would be replaced within the next two weeks, subject to weather conditions.
 - f. **Allotments** – a letter is to be drafted by the clerk for agreement at the next meeting with regard to allotment charge increase for 2022/2023.
 - g. **Empty Allotment** – this is to be advertised through the normal procedures. CT proposed, JT seconded.
 - h. **100 Club** – Resurrection discussed. Proposed by JE, seconded JS
 - i. **Parking Sign**- to be agreed for Village Hall Car Park re parking at owner's risk.
4. **Finances** – JD referred to the summary provided and movements since the last report, including a £1,000 grant fund received towards the cemetery upkeep. JD also confirmed the precept had been submitted, together with an initial claim for reimbursement of the pathways grass cutting.
5. **Village Hall** – A report had been produced by the acting caretaker SG, with KW directing to key points. This included the work carried out to open the JOW room. KW thanked both for their hard work including production of the report for the meeting.
6. **Allotments Update** – JD confirmed the final payment would be received that weekend. The uplift for 2022/23 required a letter, to be drafted by the clerk. Discussions commenced on fencing of the new field. EE and Clerk to visit site and report back to council re options.

7. **Picnic area and Playing Field** – ER and KW to look at benches and report back on repair and replacement requirements. Possible new Jubilee benches. The concrete seat on the rec ground will be repaired by Huw Stones, KW to remind Huw.
KW confirmed ordering new swing donated by Suzanne Gill. Some cleaning will be carried out when weather is improved. JS agreed a donation for the 2nd swing. DF noted the area at the end of the field requires clearing. Again, await improved weather.

8. **Website Update -**

JD reported on the council's website. Some information requires updating and removing. JD asked that council members let her know if they require anything further adding.

Event notices were discussed including Jubilee events and all agreed more information is needed. Clerk to update and suggest items at each meeting.

9. **Planned Events –**

Jubilee events where discussed and possible Lottery funding. Ideas discussed –

- a. Children's Party at the Village Hall - date to be agreed.
- b. Upgrading of the POW room and possible Jubilee Room.
- c. Creation of water supply to Parish fields.
- d. Jubilee Tree/Trees – Part of Queens Green Canopy – discuss with Bodorgan
- e. Planting of hedgerows – Woodland Trust Funded
- f. School involvement
- g. Music Event – including Brass band
- h. Beacon Lighting – 2/6

Summer Flower Show – CT suggested a Horticulture and Craft Show in August this year. All agreed a good idea to be developed further.

10. **Planning Applications** – There where no planning applications submitted to review.

11. **Community Concerns –**

- a. Possible car parking pressure again this year. KW to discuss with Bodorgan Estate re renting an area for parking when appropriate.
- b. Also possible letter to IACC re Min Y Mor site and car parking pressure.
- c. Suzanne Gill confirmed no cash had been paid to anyone on benefits. Nery's works FOC and any other staff required are paid for via donations.
- d. Mrs Rees prize Bingo offer was accepted.

There being no further business the meeting then terminated.

The next meeting will be on 16th March 2022