

Meeting of Aberffraw Community Council

Held at the JOW Room, Village Hall, at 7pm on Wednesday 18th May 2022

Present: K Woods (Acting - Chair), M Smithurst (Jim), C Topps, E Roberts, D Fowlie, O Fowlie, R F Owen, B Owen, R Owen, S Griffiths, E F Roberts and G Stallwood.
Cllr John Ifan Jones and Cllr A Wyn
Clerk – J Davies

Meeting General Public attendee – Mrs G Mahon was asked to leave the meeting in accordance with the instructions given in Notification as a habitual or Vexatious person sent on the 16th March 2022. Mrs Mahon refused on the grounds it was a public meeting and requested a vote by the council with regard to her attendance. DF suggested only the council members pre the election vote. Mrs Mahon left, and the members of the council, pre the May 2022 elections, voted unanimously to follow the Council's 2021 agreed standing orders (including the vexatious policy). Mrs Mahon returned to the meeting where the decision was confirmed. Mrs Mahon left the meeting.

1. The Clerk distributed the new **Members' Declaration of interest forms**. These would need to be completed at the beginning of every meeting.
2. KW, as acting chair, addressed the newly elected council regarding the Chair and Vice Chair positions. Mr K Woods was proposed as Chair and Mr Steve Griffiths as Vice Chair was proposed by JS. This was seconded by CT.
3. The Clerk distributed the **declaration of acceptance of office forms**, and all attendees signed and returned the forms to the Clerk.
4. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th April 2022** – apart from a date mistake, the minutes were proposed by JS and seconded by ER.
5. **Matters arising from the April minutes** –
 - a. 100 Club to be reviewed by Suzanne and her team to assess if they can run the club.
 - b. Village Hall Bank Account – SG has completed a new mandate form, signed by the Village Hall Committee (VHC) chair, Keith Woods, the VHC Secretary, Jane Davies and a VHC member, Mr E F Roberts. Progression will be reported at the next council meeting.
 - c. Village Hall Camera system and Outdoor Lights – KW will investigate both requests and report back on costs/benefits at the next meeting.
 - d. Allotments – KW to talk to Megan re empty plot.
 - e. Graveyard – KW and DF to set date for clearing group. ER requested mobility scooter access ramp for the cemetery overflow area. Proposed by JS and seconded by OF and CT.
 - f. Playground – Clerk to liaise with council members re damaged slide safety issues and check insurance cover. Further discussion needed on maintenance, assessment, and improvement.
 - g. Website – Councillors details to be updated.
6. **Financial Review** – Clerk reviewed spend and receipts since last meetings as supplied.
 - a. Records ready for internal audit to be engaged and WAO return to be completed for next meeting.
 - b. Changes to budget allocation for 2022/2023 – the budget changes as detailed in the document sent to the council members were discussed and agreed. Proposed by SG and seconded by EFR. The budget would be reviewed in the September 2022 meeting.
 - c. Training Programme – Clerk distributed training programme. Clerk to distribute dates to new council members re induction and suggest further online refreshes for the council members. This was now a requirement for every community council.
7. **Village Hall Report** – SG read through the village hall report.
 - a. SG applying for hall activity grants.
 - b. Donations are being received for the Jubilee event including raffled hampers. Tommy tea will be arranged in the JOW room with activities and food for the kids in the hall. There was a large donation from the Bingo.

- c. SG reported the need for outdoor lights and a camera due to toilet vandalism. KW to look into.
- 8. Allotments** – KW to contact Megan with regard to the unallocated allotment.
- 9. Picnic Area** – Bench has been repaired.
- 10. Graveyard Update** – DF had previously offered the football team assistance with clearing. KW to arrange with DF. ER reported the need for a mobility scooter access ramp to overflow graveyard field. This was agreed. Proposed by JS and seconded by OF/CT. ER to move forward.
- 11. Playing Field Update** – The slide damage was discussed. Clerk to check insurance cover and slide to be assessed for safety. McVenture to be contacted for visit and report.
- 12. Website Update** – Problems with viewing minutes solved. SG asked for members to be updated.
- 13. Planned Events** –
 - a. **Jubilee** – See village hall report. Majorettes may not be available.
 - b. **Horticultural Show** – Medwyn agreed to Judge vegetables. Bryn Morris will judge artwork with CT judging flowers. Volunteers and judges still needed.
 - c. **Holyhead Male Voice Choir** – private donations have covered cost. Hall will be cleared for 5pm.
- 14. Planning Applications** – No planning applications received. Notices re footpath change. Council members to feedback for letter to NRW.
- 15. Community Concerns** –
 - a. Horse Box to be moved to grass area
 - b. Recently acquired field – OF expressed an interest. Legal ownership still being finalised. To be discussed at next meeting.
 - c. Footpath grass cutting – concern by J Andrews, Clerk addressing
 - d. JS discussed dogs on the beach and the legalities of closing the beach to dogs at certain times of the year. Cllr's to investigate.
 - e. Bodorgan grass cutting behind in field – Clerk to request done.
 - f. Hatch marks to be replaced at end of bridge – Cllr's to look into
 - g. Glan y Mor – footpath deterioration – KW to forward with Cllr's help

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Next Meeting will be 15th June 2022