

**Meeting of Aberffraw Community Council**  
**Held at the JOW Room, Village Hall, at 7pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Present: C Topps (Chair), B Owen, Bryan Owen, D Fowlie, O Fowlie, E Smith, A Rees,  
 Cllr J I Jones and Cllr A Wyn.

Clerk: J Davies

1.	Welcome and apologies	Apologies received from RG Owen, E Roberts, G Stallwood, E Evans and R Jones
2.	Declarations of interests	No declarations were received.
3.	Agree the minutes of 15 11 2023	DF noted the use of 'Without prejudice can be used after taking advice. Proposed DF, Br O seconded. The minutes where then agreed. BO proposed, AR seconded.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Matters arising from the minutes</b>	
4.1	Cemetery Land Sale	Clerk report solicitor fully engaged and sale proceeding.
4.2	Updated Standing Orders and Financial procedures	The Clerk again highlighted the changes and in particular the ability to hold hybrid meetings/recording of meetings. DF to investigate costs for recording and Hybrid capability. Clerk to resend proposed Standing Orders. To be agreed at next meeting.
4.3	Bragdby Pwmp	Clerk to chase Hugh and forward Bodorgan contact information to DF to check placement.
4.4	Footpaths Fron and Bangor Street	AW to chase council on weeding issue.
4.5	Linda Austen Plaque	Present to the Council and all agreed CT would contact A Cantrel to place inside Llys Llewelyn Café. When placed letter of thanks to be sent to A Cantrel.
4.6	Graveyard Bench	Bench completed for free by Coleg Menai. Placement will have to change so not to block access. Clerk to inform E Roberts. A letter of thanks will be sent by the Community Council to Grwp Llandrillo Menai.
4.7	Bridge Weeding	JRJ noted Cadw's lack of response re responsibility DF to chase County Council as there are also maintenance issues/bridge surface deterioration.
4.8	Dog Waste dispenser	No progress, Clerk to chase.
4.9	EV Charging points	Clerk to chase financials on possibility for the Village.
4.10	New Cemetery Land	Agreement signed and fence to be addressed by tenant.
4.11	Garage Lintel Repair	Clerk to chase Hugh as no movement on repair
4.12	Pavement Parking	JRJ is to chase the parking issue raised by Cllr Rees on Stryd Llewelyn. DF to chase continuance of double yellow lines on Church Street and removal of disabled parking space. It was also agreed the County Council would be asked to white line the parking spaces outside the Prince while discussing the other parking issues.
4.13	Refurbishment of Danger sign	Signs & Designs still to recover sign. AO to chase County Council and to improve signs with wording such as 'Danger swimming on Ebb tide'.
4.14	Condition of road past Tyn Twyn	Further information needed as to footpath and check with Elwyn
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Correspondence IACC</b>	
5.1	Planning	No planning applications sent

<b>6.0</b>	<b>Other Correspondence</b>	
6.1	Dementia Listening Campaign	All agreed more information was needed as there was no expertise within the council for this work.
6.2	Town and Community Councils Liaison Forum – recording meetings	Clerk noted the suggestions sent by the forum on the recording of meetings.
6.3	Anglesey Astronomical Society	Clerk to investigate further as to content.
6.4	Heritage Signs – Menter Mon	Menter Mon Officer not available at the moment.
6.5	Twinning with Mortagne sur Gironde - Owain Lawgoch – request from Mr Judd	It was unanimously agreed that the twinning process would not go ahead as the council has more pressing matters to pursue.
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Other Matters</b>	
7.1	Rental Field	The widening noted by a resident has been resolved with a gate.
7.2	Seawatch Presentation	All agreed Clerk to enquire how Seawatch can help the Village before agreeing to presentation.
7.3	Headland Grazing Rights	All agreed that only sheep and goats were allowed to graze. This needs discussing with current tenant. Clerk to process.
7.4	D-day Celebration – Lamp of Peace	All agreed this was not needed.
7.5	St Davids Day Celebrations	Suggested School painting competition. JRJ and AW to cover prizes. Clerk to progress. DF proposed, AR seconded.
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Financial Matters</b>	
8.1	Invoices for approval	AGS invoice approved for payment.
8.2	Budget Review – Precept setting 2024-25	A revised budget was presented by the Clerk. This would increase the precept by 50% which was to be avoided. Clerk/RFO time only to increase by an hour per week. Potential letting of playing field to be checked by Clerk, reduce cuts and ensure waste is taken. Clerk to re look at budgets and distribute via email with aim to not increase the precept this year.  Clerk to advertise the post at 6hrs per week.  It was unanimously agreed the grass cutting contract would go out to tender.
8.3	Insurance quote – Asset register	Full register not completed. Clerk to ensure completion with AR from VHMC. DF confirmed the Football Club will remove the boxing equipment.
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Matters for Next Meeting</b>	
9.1	Letter from J Andrews	Footpath around Y Cei – item to be added to next meeting.  Excess water drain-off near Penrhyn Cottage – item to be added to next meeting.
9.2	Graveyard	Clerk to ensure graves are used in sequence. DF re-confirmed that the previous row needs to be finished and that the next burial will return to the row that needs to be finished.  DF noted Mole damage, Clerk to contact Mr Hughes of Bro Branwen.

9.3	Donations	The donations budget would be reviewed at the AGM. Applications should be encouraged via the website.
9.4	G Stallwood	DF and the Council send their best wishes to Glenys on a speedy recovery
9.5	Holyhead Round Table	Clerk asked to send a thank you to Holyhead Round Table for their attendance over Christmas. Thanks were also noted to the clerk, Cllr Smith and Cllr B Owen for the hours of volunteering, Cllrs John Ifan and Arfon Wyn for their kind donations and everyone else who volunteered to make the Christmas events such a success
9.6	Village Hall Charity	The Clerk confirmed to Mr & Mrs Mahon that the Charity contact details had been changed and his name removed. Ct again thanked Mr & Mrs Mahon for their previous work with the Village Hall.
9.7	Boat Planter	ES noted that a boat was being offered as a planter and would follow this up to see if it is still available.
9.8	Absence	DF noted his apologies for the months of February, March and April.
<b>10.0</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	<b>Date of next meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024</b>