

**Meeting of the Aberffraw Community Council to be held in the JOW Room, Aberffraw Village Hall,
7pm Wednesday 20th of November 2024**

1	<p>Present:</p> <p>Clerk:</p> <p>Apologies:</p>	<p>Glenys Stallwood, Richard Owen, Oliver Fowlie, Vaughan Pritchard, Ellie Smith, Cllr Arfon Wyn, Cllr John Ifan Jones, Douglas Fowlie, Allan Rees, Elwyn Evans, Bryan Owen</p> <p>Elen Jones</p> <p>Barry Owen, Chris Topps, Rachel Louise Jones.</p>
2	Declaration of Interests	Douglas Fowlie, Bryan Owen, and Vaughan Pritchard declared an interest in 6.1.
3	Agree on the minutes of 16th of October 2024	The minutes of the previous meeting are accurate. AR Proposed, Seconded OF.
4.0	Matters arising from the minutes	Matters arising from the minutes
4.1	Erosion of steps on Coastal footpath	BO reported that the work has been completed and thanked Cllr John Ifan Jones for all his efforts.
4.2	Balchder Bro Mural in the Park	Menter Môn has been in touch and suggested installing the mural on the fence in the playfield, as they have done in other communities. There were objections.
4.3	Cemetery Path Cleaning	<p>The Clerk has researched a battery-powered power washer priced at £179.00. However, the battery lasts only 30 minutes, and an additional battery would cost £100.</p> <p>The Clerk received a quote of £300 from Mr Ian Paul Jones, who works at Plas Llangwyfan. Alternatively, IPJ offered to drop off the power washer free of charge so that a member of the Aberffraw Community Council could complete the job.</p> <p>It was agreed that the best option would be for Ian Paul Jones of Plas Llangwyfan to provide the power washer, allowing Aberffraw Community Councilors to clean the cemetery paths to save money.</p> <p>The committee greatly appreciated the opportunity to borrow the power washer and extended their thanks to Plas Llangwyfan for providing it. Cllrs to share a convenient date and time for the Clerk to arrange.</p>
4.4	Bridge - Cadw	Cllr John Ifan Jones noted that Cadw came back stating that in the past Cadw has dealt with Ynys Mon CC who have undertaken occasional repair works to the bridge surface, cadw assume ownership/responsibility for the bridge condition lay with them. Cllr JIJ has contacted Dylan Edwards from IOCC who is awaiting a reply.
4.5	Sign - Beach	AR, BO, and EJ met with the transport department to discuss the proposed location for the parking signs, and IOACC has presented their plans for consideration.

		<p>There were discussions regarding the potential need for a parking sign directed towards the opposite side of the new bridge towards Bwlan Farm. It was recommended that the clerk arrange a meeting with Bodorgan Estate to address this matter and explore the feasibility of leveling the car park to alleviate parking issues during the busy summer months.</p> <p>The committee reviewed the proposal, with DF proposing and BO seconding the decision to agree with the plans proposed by IOACC. It was further resolved to contact IOACC again following the meeting with Bodorgan Estate to discuss the possibility of an additional sign.</p> <p>DF also highlighted the presence of outdated signs near Capel Uchel. The clerk was tasked with informing IOACC to arrange for their removal.</p>
4.6	Playground Benches.	The Clerk will be making an application for benches through Bro Aberffraw Alliance in January when it opens for applications. CllrJJ highlighted that the grant money had been allocated, to confirm. Also, the Clerk noted that she will liaise with Celyn of Cymdeithas Elusennol to discuss possible grant options.
5.0	Correspondance IACC - Planning	
5.1	43 Stryd yr Eglwys, Aberffraw	Full application for installation of a heat pump at the rear of the house - No objections.
6.0	Other Correspondence	
6.1	E-mail from Aberffraw Football Club.	<p>VP, BO, and DF declared an interest.</p> <p>An email was received from Aberffraw Football Club regarding interest from the junior section in playing at Aberffraw and utilising Cae Topia (the playing field). To facilitate this, they would require a container to store their training equipment, such as balls, cones, bibs, and plastic goals.</p> <p>The club requested confirmation from the council on whether this arrangement would be acceptable. A 10ft shed or container would suffice for their needs.</p> <p>The junior section has agreed to cover the cost of the container.</p> <p>All councilors were in agreement, with the proposal made by ES and seconded by OF.</p>
6.2	Play Area Report	<p>It was noted that the council had received a report on the Play Area through a grant scheme. It was suggested that a sub-committee be formed to discuss the report and manage the Play Area. ES agreed and the Clerk contacted RJ.</p> <p>Proposed by DF and seconded by EE.</p>
6.3	Cemetery	The Clerk has created a cemetery layout and will guide funeral directors on grave locations upon contact. Furthermore, the Clerk will ask funeral directors to complete a form to ensure comprehensive records are maintained about the individual being buried.

		<p>GS expressed concern about the sinking of old graves and highlighted the need for maintenance work within the cemetery. OF suggested contacting Community Services to explore whether they could assist in restoring and maintaining the cemetery. Clerk to contact Community Services.</p>
7.0	Financial Matters	
7.1	Pay Agreement	<p>The Local Government Association has informed us that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has reached an agreement on rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025. One Voice Wales encourages employers (Community Council) to implement this pay award to the Clerk/RFO as soon as possible, this being back-dated to April. There were no objections by the council.</p> <p>The Chair mentioned that Audit Wales had contacted both the Chair and the Clerk to request the financial documents. RFO has been given an extension to send the documents in due to ill health. The Chair and Clerk have since been in touch with the RFO to follow up, and the RFO has confirmed awareness of the extended deadline, which is 20/12. The Chair expressed concern that if the documents are not submitted by 20th December, there could be consequences, such as a fine or charge for the Community Council.</p>
7.2	Half-Yearly Rent - Bodorgan Estate	Agreed to Pay Bodorgan Estate Invoice. Proposed by EE and seconded by RO.
7.3	Grass Cutting Invoice	Agreed to Pay Norman Jones, Grass Cutting Invoice. Proposed by EE and seconded by RO.
8.0	Update from County Councillors	<p>Cllr AW attended a dementia conference today at M-SParc, which also included a session from the police. During the conference, it was noted that individuals with dementia in towns generate approximately 7,000 calls, which is of concern.</p> <p>Cllr AW has been working with children with autism in Malltraeth, facing significant challenges.</p> <p>Cllr AW - Support for young people and children with mental illnesses is insufficient, with a growing demand for assistance from health services. The Mind Committee for North Wales is advocating for increased support from CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services) to address their needs.</p> <p>Cllr AW volunteered to lead music sessions in Llangefni for individuals with learning difficulties which was a great success.</p> <p>Cllr AW received a complaint from a resident of Aberffraw regarding film crews working late at night, causing significant noise and bright lighting. Cllr AW emailed the company to raise these concerns.</p>
9.0	Matters for the next meeting	<p>A query was raised regarding whether the cattle are allowed on the headline. BO will discuss this with Bodorgan during their upcoming meeting.</p> <p>GS expressed concern about the lack of an active village hall committee and the absence of a planning committee since last Easter. A request was made for a public meeting on 8/01 to encourage more volunteers who are willing to help. The Clerk will create a poster and share it with the Village Hall Committee to advertise on social media and around the village.</p>

		<p>EE shared concern that the road leading up to the lake has tarmac and a substance at the side of the road. CLLR JJJ will follow up with the council on this matter.</p> <p>DF expressed gratitude to the football club for placing the poppies around the village. DF also mentioned that the Football Club is organising a Christmas Fayre on Saturday, 07/12. Additionally, there will be a Christmas Jumper night at Y Goron on Saturday, 07/12. Christmas Carols will be held at the Church on 15/12 at 4 pm.</p> <p>RO noted that the opening of The Crown has had a very positive impact on the village and thanked everyone involved.</p> <p>EE and ES have informed the committee that they will be unable to attend the next meeting on 15/01/25 and have sent their apologies.</p>
10.0	Date of next meeting	15/01/25