Abergwyngregyn Community Council

Minutes of meeting at Yr Hen Felin 19:30 on 19 September 2024

1. Present

Nicky Whitting (Chair), Helen Flook (Vice Chair), Ann Penll.

Apologies

Jenny Alty, Eryl Williams.

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Opportunity for public to speak in person or on Zoom

None

4. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were read by the Chair, approved as correct, proposed by Nicky Whitting the Chair and seconded by Ann Penell.

5. Matters Arising

a) Footpaths - Work is still being carried out on Ffridd path.

Pentra Du footpath - Gwynedd Council footpath officer and the Chair have visited the path. Money will be available hopefully to do some work to improve the flooding in some parts of the path.

Stile replacement and some work to be carried out on Bryn Wylan footpath on the shore.

The footpath between Ty Pwmp and Aber Falls Hotel: the footpath officer will update the Clerk before the end of this week after he has spoken to the hotel owner in the coming days.

b) Traffic problems discussed at length.

i) Traffic Counter - the Clerk has emailed Eryri National Park regarding a counter in Bontnewydd car park but is yet to receive a reply. Andrew Gregson (Highway Traffic Officer) has replied regarding the request to put a counter by Ardudwy noting that the cost of carrying out the work can be quite high therefore this needs to be discussed further at a Traffic Management meeting.

ii) Andrew Gregson has also replied to the Clerk regarding traffic problems in the village. Gwynedd Council is fully aware of the problems in Aber but are also still inundated with work on the 20mph scheme and not taking any new referrals. Andrew mentioned that they could send another person who may not have the qualifications to oversee or resolve the traffic situation.

All councillors decided that the village needed the most experienced person to undertake a visit.

The Clerk to send another email requesting a site visit for a traffic management plan to be put in place asap with NRW, Eryri National Park and Gwynedd Council involved. It was noted that there would be a cost involved for such a plan.

- iii) Extension of the current yellow lines was discussed.
- iv) Residential parking permits were discussed.
- v) The lack of parking signs was discussed.

vi) Damage to residents' cars and walls was also discussed. Councillors agreed that this was an accident waiting to happen due to the volume of large parties including school children and university students walking to the Falls. The volume of traffic also makes access difficult for emergency vehicles.

vi) Councillors discussed the number of people with dogs on and off leads and whether a pedestrian or cycle path on the road was required.

c) Bus Shelter

Clerk to speak to Reg Newsom to ask him to repair the wood panel in the bus shelter.

6. Planning Applications

None

7. Financial Report

All Councillors had received a copy of the Financial Report which noted that the current balance is healthy.

Councillors agreed that the Clerk could contact Parker O'Regan to complete VAT Returns as this remains an outstanding issue.

8. Training

Jenny Alty will attend a chairing course. A £40 payment has been sent to One

Voice Wales.

9. Any Other Business

- a) Clerk will contact the Election Department at Gwynedd Council to discuss coopting new councillors before the election in 2026.
- b) Clerk mentioned that she had contacted Gwynedd Council to discuss her retirement from the role and had spoken to Lowri Haf Evans from the Democracy Team who will make further enquiries regarding the advert etc.

Gwynedd Council can provide confirmation of whether a clerk from Bethesda, Llanllechid or Rachub could take on the role.

c) Clerk has contacted Gwynedd Council regarding the overgrown hedge at Bryn Tirion Mawr LL33 0LE. The Clerk had spoken to Marilyn Evans who will contact the Council Tax department to see who is responsible for the condemned house now that the owner is deceased.

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will take place at 7:30pm at Yr Hen Felin on 5 December 2024.

Meeting closed at 9pm.