# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ABERMULE WITH LLANDYSSIL COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT ABERMULE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING on WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 at 7.30<sub>pm</sub>

#### **PRESENT**

#### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr. Gwyneth Jones

Cllr. Jane Rees

Cllr. Mark Pearce

Cllr. Gareth Thomas

Cllr. Gareth Pugh (until 9.30pm)

Cllr. Anne Brewin

Cllr. Alan Meredith-Jones

Cllr. Gary Orrells

Cllr. Martin Aymes

Cllr. Bryan Williams Cllr. Jackie Matthews

# **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. Gwilym Rippon (clerk)

There were no members of the public present.

Prior to the meeting commencing Cllr. Aymes requested advice on what the Council should do if a councillor was carrying out work on a highway when he was not in possession of the required documentation, Cllr. Pearce asked if it was the Councils responsibility to report the Councillor to the Ombudsman. Cllr. Aymes was of the view that the Councillor breached the Nolan Principles. The Clerk provided guidance in as much that the 'Council' could not undertake the reporting to the Ombudsman. However, if a member felt strong enough, they should contact the Ombudsman direct. The Council corporate should not be the vehicle to report anything to the Ombudsman.

	Agenda			
	item			

# **166-23** 1. **OPENING**

The Chair Cllr. Thomas opened the meeting and thanked all for those attending.

#### 167-23 2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

See list above.

# 168-23 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

The following declarations were made by members.

Name	Item	Personal	Prejudicial

There were no declarations made

# 4. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING 3<sup>rd</sup> January</u> 2024 (previously circulated)

Following review of the minutes.

#### RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 were agreed as a true record of what transpired.

### 170-23 5. <u>INFORMATION FROM THE MINUTES</u>

Graham Astley has been contacted to meet with Cllr Jones in January to date there has been no reply. Clerk to chase up.

#### 171-23 6. CORRESPONDENCE (Circulated)

Planning in Wales email re Place Plans. The Clerk to determine if place plans for villages prove very useful.

# **172-23** 7. **COMMUNITY SURVEY**

The results of the survey were discussed, and the action plan agreed. It was reported that Abbey Lewis had arranged litter picking in the village. It was agreed that the clerk should send here a certificate congratulating her for her efforts, and thanks would be put into the Newsletter.

#### **173-23** 8. **PLANNING**

1. Update on Business Park and the Recycling development. It would appear that Powys County Council are pushing for black bag waste to be stored at Abermule recycling centre.

The clerk was requested to formulate a letter to send objecting to the use of the recycling centre for use of black bags.

It was agreed to write to the following at Powys County Council. Mat Perry, Jackie Charlton, James Gibson-What, Emma Palmer.

#### 2. Planning applications

a. 24/0099/TRE

Application for Tree works in conservation area.

- removal of pear tree The Spires, Llandyssil,

Montgomery SY15 6LQ

The Council supported the application.

#### **174-23** 9. **FINANCE**

1. To note the bank reconciliation This was noted.

#### 2. To consider the following invoices

- a. HMRC £164.38p (Section 111 &112 LGA 1972)
- b. Clerk's expenses £69.19p ((Mileage, office allowance and backup) (Section 111LGA 1972)
- c. Pear Technology £108 (Section 111LGA 1972)
- d. Highline £122.04 Defibrillator Installation (Section 111LGA 1972)
- e. Play area signs £108. (Section 111LGA 1972)

#### For information

f. BT £59.11p (Broadband) (Section 111 &112 LGA 1972)

#### **175-23** 10. **CLUSTERING:**

The minutes of the VRMC were discussed. Under the Biodiversity the summer action day was discussed. It was agreed that as Cllr. Matthews had volunteered to be part of a team the Council were happy for Cllr. Matthews to represent the Council.

#### 176-23 11. BIODIVERSITY UPDATE

As discussed above

#### **177-23** 12. **C.CLLR'S UPDATE**

Cllr Pugh reported that a scheme has been agreed to resolve flooding in Court Close.

The 53 houses development has been refused on highway issues.

#### **178-23** 13. <u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u>

It was reported that some potholes have been repaired but the repair is starting to fail.

There were a number of large potholes on the Goronddu also by Plas Robin.

There is a pothole by the bus shelter by the business park entrance

#### 179-23 14. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES OR MEETINGS ATTENDED

VRMC dealt with earlier.

Community Centre meeting. There has been a need to replace the three shipping containers. There is a possibility that a large grant will be applied for.

#### 180-23 15. <u>INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS</u>

There is to be a YFC rally in May at the Bryn, it was suggested that this will be placed in the newsletter.

The clerk reported that he had not checked the Wi-Fi at Llandyssil, the clerk was requested to check the reliability at Council wished to hold meetings there later in the year. He was also asked to check on what appeared to be a CCTV camera in the hall

# **181-23** 16. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

21st February 2024 (Play areas) 6th March 2024