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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF**

**ABERMULE WITH LLANDYSSIL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**HELD AT**

**abermule community CENTRE**

**on Thursday 24th MAY 2018 at 8.00pm**

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| **PRESENT** | **APOLOGIES** |
| Cllr. Eurwyn Jones | Cllr. Anne Brewin |
| Cllr. Richard Jerman | Cllr. Bryan Williams |
| Cllr. Jane Rees | Cllr. Gary Orrells |
| Co. Cllr. Gareth Pugh | Cllr. Gwyneth Jones |
| Cllr. Pat Thomas |  |
| Cllr. Paul Davis |  |

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| **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE** | |
| Mr. Gwilym Rippon (clerk) |  |

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|  | Agenda item |  |
| **110-18** | 1 | **OPENING** |
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|  |  | Cllr. E. Jones opened the meeting and thanked all for their attendance. |
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| **111-18** | 2 | **ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES** |
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|  |  | See list above. |
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| **112-18** | 3 | **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** |
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| **113-18** | 4 | **RESPONSE TO THE PRE CONSULTATION PLANNING FOR THE ABERMULE BUSINESS PARK** |
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|  |  | The pre-application consultation of the Business Park was discussed and it was agreed to send the following observations and questions to the agent.  Pre-planning Consultation Response  Re.: Abermule Business Park Project  From: Abermule with Llandyssil Community Council  1. Considering that this particular green-field location was initially granted permission for development - conditional upon the completed site meeting the BREEAM rate of excellence specifications - are we now to understand that this development site has been re-designated, with the 'excellence' stipulation scaled down to a lower level of quality expectations?  2. If the above is the case, why then was not the Business Park re-designated for use by Abermule's local business community, under the re-defined development criteria?  3. By what reasoning did Powys County Council have preferential overriding weight over the local business community; thereby creating a situation where Powys CC may potentially end up being the sole operator which will be able to conduct an industrial-scale enterprise on this site?  4. Why has the Applicant for the currently proposed development not included an Environmental Impact Assessment Report with its pre-planning materials that were made available for public scrutiny?    5. Does the Applicant not consider it unacceptable that this site, which was originally intended for the siting of a modern, prestigious, high-quality, low visual profile, smart, clean, quiet and environmentally pleasant 'Business Park', is now being considered for the siting of a domestic refuse recycling complex?  6. In view of 'other' sites within Montgomeryshire having been considered (according to the Applicant) for locating a Powys CC's Recycling Bulking Facility processing centre (to complement the other two PCC sites which are located, respectively, in Brecknockshire and Radnorshire), what were the specific driving factors which determined that this particular location should be selected as the 'preferred' site for the proposed development within Montgomeryshire?  7. With the Court Close housing estate located at such close proximity to the proposed development, what provisions are projected to be put in place to serve as a noise-baffling barrier between the two respective sites?  8. What does the Applicant intend to do to avoid a repeat scenario of regular extensive flooding at this site, such as occurred even as recently as five years ago in 2013 - photographs of which were shown to the Applicant's engineers at the Questions and Answers meeting held at the Abermule Community Centre on Thursday evening of the 17th May 2018?  9. Could the Applicant please produce maps showing the location of an ancient Roman Road - a protected feature of archaeological significance, within the proximity of the Abermule Business Park site; and could the Applicant explain what steps will be taken to mitigate any potential damage to this feature - which is an important aspect of the historical heritage of the Abermule area, particularly for attracting visitors and tourism to the village?  10. Could the Applicant please confirm that this site being considered for locating a Powys CC's Recycling Bulking Facility processing centre does not include within its curtilage any portion of land designated with a category of SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest) or SAC (Special Area of Conservation)?  11. Has the Applicant taken into consideration the prevailing South-Westerly winds (i.e., blowing in a North-Easterly direction down the Severn Valley) which, as all the residents of the Abermule village will readily testify, is a recognised topographical and climatic feature of this area's landscape, will certainly carry with them the minutest amounts of noise, odour, dust and potentially some stray refuse items emanating from the Recycling Bulking Facility processing centre?  12. As this site was infrastructured for development on the strength of received external public money, in the form of an European Funding arrangement, is it now legal for Powys CC to assume ownership of it, as opposed to allowing the site to be offered to local private business enterprises within the Abermule area?  13. With the type of development you propose, will this impact on the type of future developments on the site to such a point, that Powys County Council will be the only occupant for the whole site. |
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|  |  | The meeting was closed at 9.33pm |