

**Final MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ABENBURY COMMUNITY COUNCIL (HELD REMOTELY<sup>i</sup>) on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2022**

**Members Present:** Councillors, P. Done, C. Borland- Jones, G. Lowden, W. Wilson, T. Jones, D. O'Brien M. Morris (Wrexham CBC)

**Chair:** Councillor P. Done

**Clerk:** Serena Baxter.

**Apologies:** Councillors G. Williams, A. Reeves, S. Clutton

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- 100. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies were given and accepted.
  - 101. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Members were reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of any personal and/ or prejudicial interest on the form provided for this purpose for any item under discussion.
  - 102. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** There were no members of the public present.
  - 103. PRECEPT AND BUDGET FOR 2022-2023:** It was Noted that, further to the previous meeting of the Community Council, Wrexham Council had requested notification of the precept set prior to the 14<sup>th</sup> February, and hence this special meeting had been called. The Clerk advised of the change in the tax base and the impact that would have, and this was noted. The Clerk presented to members the draft budget and each budget head was considered, along with the Earmarked Reserves previously set. During discussions it was generally AGREED that the impact of the change in tax base on the contribution per household should be minimised as far as possible, and that would necessitate contributions from Reserves to the budget for the next two years. Other changes were made to the draft budget, in particular a change in the amount of salary costs and moving any website costs to reserves rather than the budget. It was RESOLVED to set the budget at £12,230 for 2022-23 and set a £2k contribution from Reserves. This would mean the precept request would be £10, 230, a £33.10 cost per annum to each household.
  - 104. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS:** Councillor Jones raised an issue of parking. No other concerns were raised.
  - 105. DATE, VENUE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the Community Council will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2022, and will commence at 7 p.m. It was AGREED to hold the next meeting remotely in view of case numbers, and to look to hold a face-to-face meeting in March should conditions allow. The meeting ended at 7.45 pm.

**COUNCILLOR P. DONE**

**CHAIR** ..... **DATE**.....

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*i) This meeting took place remotely, using 'Go To' Meetings software, under the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (following The Local Authorities (Coronavirus)(Meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020.) which make provision for meetings to take place remotely.*