

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

14th March 2017

PRESENT Councillors: Mrs.N.Thompson (Chairman)
Mrs.L.Clark
Mrs.L.Dedden
S.Flower
Mrs.S.L.Grove
S.Hazel
P J Mann
Mrs.P.Morrow
Ms. J.Russell
Mrs.S.Shaw

Apologies were given by Cllrs: Mrs.T.Coombs & Miss. K.Stephens

Also in attendance: Mrs.V.Bright, Town Clerk & Mrs.J.Gaskell, Assistant to the Town Clerk.

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265/16 Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensations.

None.

266/16 Clerk's Report.

a) Churches Together wrote asking permission to hold a Good Friday service on Ferrett Green on 14th April 2017 starting at 11.00am. After discussion members agreed to give permission and the Clerk would respond.

267/16 Monthly Budgets.

The monthly budget reports for February 2017 were copied to all members and no issues were raised.

268/16 To receive a report on the Internal Audit Review

A review of the Internal Audit was carried out on 8th February by Councillors, Mrs.N.Thompson and Ms.J.Russell. Attending the meeting were also Mrs.V.Bright, Town Clerk and Mrs. D.Barton Accounts Assistant. A report was copied to all members. After discussion it was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that the report be accepted.

269/16 To consider planning application Hillside First School 3/17/0484

Dorset County Council sent a planning application for Hillside first School to: Demolish two single and one double temporary classrooms and erect a modular building containing four classrooms and toilets. Construct new hard play area.

The plan can be viewed on-line at:

www.dorsetforyou.com/eplanning/searchPageLoad.do after discussion it was proposed, seconded and

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council had no objection to the plan.

270/16 To consider a report from EDDC regarding Potterne Park and the SLA.

A report has been received from East Dorset District Council regarding Potterne Park for the period to December. This was copied to all members. It was further reported that EDDC had been asked in future that they will provide a budget for the year and a question was asked about who pays for the referees.

A report was also circulated regarding the proposed future Service Level Agreement for Potterne Park. Discussion took place and it was reported that meetings would take place shortly to work on the next SLA covering the period from April 2018 onwards.

271/16 To consider road safety issues on Woodlinken Drive, Verwood.

Minute 244/16 refers. Information from Dorset County Council was circulated to all members regarding the summary of items discussed between the officer from Dorset County Council, the two County Councillors and residents in Woodlinken Drive. Information on a detailed quotation for the installation of the section of missing footway on Woodlinken Drive was also copied to all members. Information on Speed Indicator Devices was also resent to members.

The Clerk had ascertained that the Town Council had to ask for specific sites to find out information on any speed surveys which had been carried out in the parish. It was not possible to send all of them. Discussion took place on: the need for an agency agreement with Dorset Highways in order to be able to carry out highway improvements; the purchasing and deploying of a SID; the need for a criteria for requests received for enhancements for the Town. The Clerk was asked to find out whether any other authorities had a generic town enhancement policy that we would use as a starting point and to contact Dorset County Highways for the results of any speed surveys they have carried out in the last five years after which this would come back to this Committee for further discussion.

272/16 Reports on Health & Safety aspects from the Amenities Committee members.

The inspection of the Recreation Grounds & Open Spaces had yet to be carried out but that the Cemetery inspection had been carried out. The Clerk will arrange for any necessary work to be carried out.

273/16 Other reports and items for future agendas.

- a) A request was made for a future agenda when the Standing Orders are next amended that under Standing Order 13 – (a) Plans Consultative Committee, remove - *to receive information regarding tree work* .

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

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Chairman

