

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

23rd January 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs.L.Dedden (Mayor)
Councillors S.Bhose
A.Biggs
Mrs.L.Clark
Mrs.T.B.Coombs
S.Gibson
Mrs.S.Grove
M.Hudson
P.J.Mann
Mrs.P.Morrow
M.Parker
Ms.J.Russell
Mrs.S.Shaw
Miss.K.Stevens
Mrs.N.Thompson

Apologies from Cllrs: S.Flower, S.Hazel & Mrs.A.Manley.

In attendance:- Mrs J.Gaskell, Assistant to the Town Clerk, Mrs.M.Saunders, Admin Assistant, PC Andy Robertson & PCSO Lee Beddington.

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219/17 Declaration of Interests.

None.

220/17 Minutes of the Meeting held 19th December 2017 as circulated, were confirmed and signed.

221/17 Policing.

A report was circulated to all members. It was reported that the ‘engaging with the public’ events in Morrisons will re-start in February, dates yet to be arranged. A request was made for Councillors to volunteer to attend.

A question was raised regarding the road related figures and a member gave information about a meeting she had attended where the Chief Constable had spoken about fraud and cybercrime.

222/17 Clerk’s Report.

a) **Residents’ enquiries and complaints** were copied to all members and were noted.

b) **Min. 194/17(b) refers. East Dorset District Council** wrote in reply to the Town Council’s suggestions for the street naming and numbering on land north of Ringwood Road, Verwood. The developers are unlikely to oppose ‘Rossgarth Place’ but ‘Day Gardens’ would not be considered as it would be contrary to the Draft Street Name & Numbering Policy which states, that the Council will oppose a street name that uses the name of a living person or deceased person. A list of alternative names was sent for further consideration.

Members were dismayed that 'Day Gardens' would not be considered and it was pointed out that the Street Name & Numbering Policy was a Draft policy and had not been adopted. Therefore, with the support of two District Councillors the Clerk was asked to write to the District Council and ask that they resubmit the name 'Day Gardens' for consideration.

c) **DAPTC** wrote regarding the retirement of Chief Constable Debbie Simpson and enclosed a letter which they asked to be circulated. The letter was copied to all members. This was noted.

d) **DAPTC Newsletter January 2018** was copied to all members. This was noted.

e) Two emails had been received from a resident regarding parking in Owls Road. Dorset County Council was contacted on behalf of the resident. The emails from the resident and reply from Dorset County Council were copied to all members. A member asked that the correspondence be discussed at the Full meeting. Discussion took place after which the District Councillors agreed to look into the matter and report back.

f) **Christchurch and East Dorset Councils** emailed with an online public consultation regarding the Council's budget for 2018-2019. The consultation runs from Friday 19th January to Friday 2nd February. Representations are requested by email. This was noted.

223/17 The Reports of the Plans Consultative Committee meetings held 20th December 2017 & 10th January 2018 as circulated, were confirmed, adopted and signed.

224/17 The Report of the Finance and General; Purposes Committee meeting held 9th January 2018 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

Resolved that the District Council be advised that this Town Council would require a Precept of £310,895 in accordance with the schedule attached to these minutes in the Minute Book.

225/17 The Waste Plan Pre-submission Draft proposed consultation response.

A proposed response to the Waste Plan Pre-submission Draft had been put forward by Councillors Ms.Jane Russell and P. Mann for consideration by the Full Council. Following a short discussion it was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the response to the Waste Plan Pre-submission Draft be accepted and emailed to Dorset County Council.

226/17 Report from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor sent a written report on various functions and events she had attended which included: a presentation event at Queen Elizabeth's School; the Community Christmas lunch at Al Trullo's; a meeting of the Verwood Friendship Club; the official opening of an exhibition of art work from students of Cranborne Middle School; Bournemouth Mayor's Civic Dinner Party; Verwood Pantomime production of 'The Snow Queen'.

The Deputy Mayor reported that she had attended the Wimborne Railway Society Open Day.

227/17 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies.

- a) **Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee.** A report was copied to all members on the last meeting which included information on: the acquisition of the airport by a division of the Rigby Group; operational matters for the period 1st April 2017 to 31st December 2017; reported winter routes; reported incidents; passenger throughput and aircraft movements; results of a customer ASQ survey; complaints received regarding aircraft noise; the community fund and disbursements; noise action plan review; national and local policies; local issues.
- b) **Verwood Heathland Heritage Centre.** A report of the Executive Council meeting was copied to all members which included: The Chairman noting the passing of Ruth Bussey; customer figures; thanks to staff; Treasurer's report; ongoing maintenance; Archivist's report; membership of the Friends of the Heathland Heritage Centre; The minutes of the meeting would be circulated to members when received.
- c) **DAPTC Eastern Area.** The minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2018 will be circulated when received.

228/17 Internet Councillor

Members were asked to inform the Internet Councillor of anything they may have for the website or facebook page.

229/17 Press & P.R.Councillor

Members were asked to let the office have any articles they wished to have in the next edition of the Verwood Vista by Friday 26th January.

230/17 Reports of the County & District Councillors.

County Council Report, Councillor Mrs.T. Coombs . A written report was circulated regarding: Carillion in Dorset; Hospital discharges and delayed transfer of care; responses to the recent bad weather; staff changes; an update on the Springfield Road project.

District Council Report, Councillor S. Flower. A written report was given regarding Local Government Reorganisation.

231/17 Accounts.

201/17 refers. It was reported that there had been a typing error on the December 2107 accounts. The accounts have been amended and approved.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts £11,667.79 for January 2018 were approved for payment.

232/17 Items of report and matters for future agendas.

- a) A reminder was given of the litter pick which is to take place from the Verwood Recreation Ground on Saturday 27th January 2018 at 10.00 a.m.
- b) Information was given that funding had been given for three free 1st Aid Courses which would take place in the Town Council offices on Saturdays in March. The dates were yet to be confirmed. Group sessions of 12 would be first.

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- c) A member offered help to understand the changing legislation of the law around Data Protection which will happen this year.
- d) The Council representative of the Citizens Advice Bureau will be attending a meeting in the next two weeks and asked that, any member wishing anything to be brought up at the meeting, should let him know.
- e) The Transport Councillor will be attending the Integrated Transport Review soon and asked if any members have any local transport issues they should let her know.
- f) The Mayor gave information about a fundraising event, a vintage and recycling Sale, taking place 3rd March. A request was made for any items that could be used in the sale.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.08 p.m.

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Mayor

