

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

28th March 2018

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

Apologies from Cllrs: S.Bhose, S.Hazel, Mrs.A.Manley & Miss.K.Stephens

In attendance:- Mrs.V.J.Bright, Town Clerk, Mrs J.Gaskell, Assistant to the Town Clerk & PC Andy Robertson.

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279/17 Declaration of Interests.

None.

280/17 Minutes of the Meeting held 27th February 2018 as circulated, were confirmed and signed.

281/17 Policing.

A report would be circulated to all members which included information on: Crime figures; an incident with a catapult; meetings with partner agencies regarding child safeguarding; the changing role of the PCSO's.

Questions were asked regarding a particular burglary, carrying out more surgeries at Morrison's and information on the Police page regarding surgeries which would be looked at. Also, that perhaps more information could be put on the Police site when an incident occurred.

282/17 Clerk's Report.

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

b) **Rotary Club of Verwood** wrote that they would like to ask community organisations and the general public to knit large poppies to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the 1st World War. They also would like to seek permission to fix each of the poppies to the railings of both the Memorial Ground and Memorial monument one week prior to Remembrance Day and then remove them one week after. After discussion the Town Clerk was instructed to write giving permission.

- c) **Letter to East Dorset District Council.** The Clerk reported that with the Clerks from St. Leonards & St. Ives and West Moors Parish Council a letter has been sent to the Chief Executive asking for a briefing regarding the progress being made with the Local Government reforms in Dorset. Also stating that we would welcome the opportunity to work together to maintain services for our residents where possible. This was noted
- d) **Mr.M.Squire** wrote thanking the Mayor for her letter regarding his work on Dewlands Common. This was noted.
- e) **General Data Protection Regulations** update course. The Clerk informed members that she had attended this course. This was noted.

283/17 The Report of the Amenities Committee meeting held 6th March 2018 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

284/17 The Report of the Finance and General; Purposes Committee meeting held 13th February 2018 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

285/17 The Report of the Plans Consultative Committee meeting held 14th March 2018 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

286/17 Review of the Internal Audit.

A report was circulated to all members and it was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the report be accepted.

287/17 Report from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor sent a written report on various functions and events she had attended which included: the Keyboard Society concert at the Hub; the raising of the Commonwealth Flag on Ferrett Green; Ceremony of the Keys at Portland; a presentation evening for the East Dorset District Scout Council.

288/17 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies.

a) **Potterne Park User Group.** A verbal report was given on the last meeting where matters discussed included: that the EDDC management team is now in place and fully staffed; the Cricket club has asked for more than one game on Saturdays as membership has grown; the possibility of a new artificial wicket being funded by the cricket club; progress on funding for replacing the tennis courts; request and provisional permission for additional car parking; query on the charging of VAT on bookings; the progress of the security of tenure contracts for Verwood Football and Cricket club so that they can apply for substantial grants; information that all clubs in Verwood are expanding,

Compliments were given to Cllr. Nicole Thompson for her comprehensive report.

b) The Transport Councillor had attended the Integrated Transport Review.

289/17 Internet Councillor

Information was given on followers of the Town Council's Facebook page.

290/17 Press & P.R.Councillor

Information had been sent to the Press on the raising of the Commonwealth Flag event on Ferrett Green.

291/17 Reports of the County & District Councillors.

County Council Report, Councillor S.Flower & Mrs. Toni Coombs. A written report was circulated regarding: Dorset Waste Partnership's recycling education project commencing mid-April; the Boundary Review for Dorset Council warding; an update on Springfield Road.

District Council Report, Councillor S.Gibson. A verbal report was given regarding: the Local Government Review; Funding for housing and temporary accommodation and how it will be used; East Dorset Fuel Switch Pilot scheme; information on the new cinema equipment at the Hub and the first film being shown on 6th May 2018; new hardstanding car parking spaces for Moors Valley Country Park; information on how councillors' ward budgets were spent.

292/17 Accounts.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts £16,580.16 for March 2018 were approved for payment.

293/17 Items of report and matters for future agendas.

- a) The Councillor on The Bournemouth Airport Consultative Committee asked if members had considered the Noise Action Plan Review document sent to them by email.
- b) Members were reminded of the Mayor's Vintage and Recycling sale taking place on Saturday 28th April.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.19 p.m.

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Mayor

