

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

24<sup>th</sup> July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs.S.Grove (Mayor)  
Councillors C.J.Archibold  
S.Bhose  
A.Biggs  
Mrs.T.B.Coombs  
Mrs.L.Dedden  
S.Flower  
S.Gibson  
S.Hazel  
P.J.Mann  
Mrs.P.Morrow  
M.Parker  
Mrs.S.Shaw  
Miss.K.Stephens  
Mrs.N.Thompson

Apologies from Cllrs: Mrs.L.Clark, M.Hudson & Ms.J.Russell

In attendance:- Mrs.V.J.Bright, Town Clerk & Mrs M.Saunders, Clerical Assistant to the Town Clerk.

Public: 4

77/18 Declaration of Interests.

Councillors Mrs.T.Coombs, S.Flower & S.Gibson all declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda item 3 as they sit on the East Dorset Cabinet Committee looking at possible asset transfers to Town and Parish Councils ahead of April 2019.

78/18 Minutes of the Meetings held 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018 as circulated, were confirmed and signed.

79/18 Policing.

A report was circulated to all members which included information on crime figures. Questions were asked regarding anti-social behaviour at Potterne Park and what was being done to keep on top of it. Information was given on a company who were phoning residents to offer them access to the police web site and were the police aware of this?

80/18 Clerk's Report.

a) **Residents' enquiries and complaints** were copied to all members and were noted. Information was given on a piece of open space on the right hand side a grassy area at the rear of Hainault Drive which backs onto Frouds. The Clerk would enquire if EDDC can add this to the cutting regime and also overgrown hedgerow onto the pavement needs cutting back.

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81/18 The Report of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed after 68/18 was amended to add the following 'as already shown by the inclusion in the current St. Leonards & St. Ives County division and District Ward.

82/18 The Report of the Plans Consultative Committee meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

83/18 Asset Transfers.

Minute 67/18 refers. Discussion took place regarding the assets and it was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED that the Town Council ask for the following:

Asset 1 - Formal approval to submit to EDDC to request the transfer of the Guide/Scout Hut land on Manor Road to the Town Council.  
(Classed by EDDC as two assets)

Asset 2 - Formal approval to submit to EDDC to request the transfer of the toilets on Ferrett Green to the Town Council.

Also that the Town Council have already agreed to take on the three play areas, Crane Close, Ebblake Close and Kiln Way prior to any requests for asset transfers, therefore we suggest that they are outside the current process.

That other items on the asset list are discussed at a future F & G P meeting and put forward for consideration at a later date.

84/18 Report from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor sent a written report on various functions and events she had attended which included: the Rotary Club Hand Over of President; Armed Forces Day in Verwood; Civic Service at Swanage; Weymoth and Wimborne Civic Day; visited Cherry Tree Nursery; visited the Verwood Friendship Club; the Scouts Annual Review held in Ferndown; Queen Elizabeth Schools Celebration and Creativity evening; presentation to the Mayors Guide of her sash; Suffragette Tea Party for the Mayors Charity which raised £700.

The Deputy Mayor sent a written report on various functions and events she had attended which included: Civic Day at Chickerell; Ferndown Upper School for the launch of their Community Garden; Mayor of Ferndown Charity Afternoon Tea at Knoll Gardens; Ferndown Upper School private showing of the sixth form art and textiles.

85/18 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies.

a) DAPTC Larger Parish and Town Council committee meeting which was held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018 where matters discussed included: the Local Government reorganisation; Items of interest from other member councils

b) DAPTC Eastern Area Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July where matters discussed included: the Local Government reorganisation; items of interest from other member councils.

c) Heathland Heritage Trust, a written report was circulated to all members

regarding the last meeting where matters discussed included: finances; shortage of volunteers; donations of documents; having a stall at the Rustic Fayre; that the AGM will be on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am at the Heritage Centre.

86/18 Internet Councillor

Information was given on the social media page and that it maybe that the office staff could answer any questions raised on there. Discussion took place regarding the cost of boosting and this would be investigated.

87/18 Press & P.R.

Information was given on the last press release and that the Verwood Vista would be produced in August.

88/18 Reports of the County & District Councillors.

**County Council and District Council Report, Councillor Mrs.T.Coombs & S.Flower.** A written report was copied to all members regarding: reporting potholes and overgrown hedges on line; boundary review for Dorset Council Warding. Also that by the Heavy Horse Centre County is hoping to do another surface dressing.  
**District Council Report, Councillor S.Flower.** A written report was copied to all Members regarding: Community Governance Review; potential community asset transfers.

89/18 Accounts.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts £13,660.99 for July 2018 were approved for payment.

90/18 Items of report and matters for future agendas.

- a) Information was given that the next litter pick would be on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July and would start at 11.00am from Potterne Park.
- b) Information was given on the funeral arrangements for Councillor Steve Lugg who passed away recently. It would be on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 1pm at St.Marys Church Ferndown. The Ferndown Town Council would appreciate if councillors could let them know if they were going to attend.
- c) Information was given on the Verwood Hubs programme of events which had been well produced. The Clerk was asked to send a letter to compliment the programme.
- d) A question was asked regarding lines which had been put across Ringwood Road information was given that it was to monitor the speed of traffic.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00p.m.

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Mayor

