

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

26th February 2019

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

Apologies from Cllrs: C.Archibold, S.Gibson & Miss.K.Stevens

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

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249/18 Declaration of Interests.

None.

250/18 Minutes of the Meeting held 22nd January 2019 as circulated, were confirmed and signed.

251/18 Policing.

A report was circulated to all members with crime figures and information on incidents in the Civil Parish. Information would be given to the Police regarding anti-social behaviour which had occurred in the Verwood Recreation Ground.

252/18 Clerk's Report.

- a) **Residents' enquiries and complaints** were copied to all members and were noted. An update on three items were requested and information given. This was noted.
- b) **Minute 238/18(b) refers. Christchurch and East Dorset Council** responded to the F& G P Committees suggestions. They are happy to change 'Woodcutter Close' to 'Smugglers Close' and suggest instead of 'Railway Edge Road' either 'Railway Edge Lane' or 'Railway Lane' Members were asked for their comments. After discussion members agreed to the name 'Smugglers Close' and 'Railway Edge Lane'.
- c) **Grundon Sand & Gravel** sent an email with information regarding starting site investigations on land allocated for mineral extraction in the Hampshire County Council Minerals Plan on a parcel of land south east of Verwood and north of Ashley Heath. They will be holding drop in sessions on Wednesday 6th March at the Verwood Hub between 2.30pm and 8.00pm. The information has been put on the Town Council web site and Facebook page and is on the noticeboards.

d) **Alderholt Parish Council** have sent an email regarding their concerns for the large-scale development in Alderholt. The email was circulated to all members. Information was given that the District Council is carrying out a Multi Mogul Study to look at traffic and housing and that no action will be taken until the study is completed in the Autumn. The Town Clerk will contact the Parish Council.

e) **Report of the Internal Audit to Verwood Town Council.** A copy of the Internal Audit was copied to all Members. There were no issues raised and this was noted.

f) **Minute 172/18 refers. The Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner** replied to the letter which was sent in December. The letter was copied to all members and was noted.

g) **Minute 101/18 refers. The Business Improvement District (BID)** for the Industrial Estates has asked for a representative of the Town Council to sit on the BID Board. Councillor Mrs.T.Coombs agreed to represent the Town Council on the BID.

It was

RESOLVED that Mrs.Coombs will represent the Town Council on the BID Board

h) Information was given on an event at Morrisons to encourage residents to apply to become a Town Councillor

253/18 The Report of the Finance and General; Purposes Committee meeting held 12th February 2019 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

254/18 The Reports of the Plans Consultative Committee meetings held 23rd January and 13th February 2019 as circulated, were confirmed, adopted and signed.

255/18 Report from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor sent a written report on various functions and events she had attended which included: Verwood Pantomime; a DIGNI-TEA and cake afternoon at Oakdene Nursing Home; the 31st Charter Night for Verwood Rotary Club; Trinity Schools presentation of 'The 5minute Walk Zone' project; the Valentines Dance for the Mayors Charity went really well and the Mayor thanked all those who had helped make the evening such a success. It was suggested to inform the council formerly of any of the Mayors future events.

256/18 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies.

a) A report on the Dapct Larger and Town Parish Councils last meeting was copied to all members. Discussion took place regarding the future planning processes.

257/18 Internet Councillor

Information was given on the web site and that many of the posts are being shared and more people were visiting the site.

258/18 Press & P.R.Councillor

Information was given that the new Town Guide will be being put together in the next few months.

259/18 Reports of the County & District Councillors.

County Council Report, Cllrs Mrs.T. Coombs and Spencer Flower. A written report was circulated regarding: the announcement of the appointment of contractors

regarding purple haze and that residents should be encouraged to attend the public exhibition on 6th March at the Hub between 2.30pm – 8.00pm; discussions with Hampshire County Council and representatives from Dorset Waster Partnership regarding the Somerley HRC and some issues which have been raised; information on the Shadow Dorset Council Budget 2019/2020.

Information was given that a Somerley Household Recycling Centre Survey had been launched to ask how the charging for using the recycling centre would affect Dorset residents. Forms are available from the Town Council, Heritage Centre and the Library to be returned by 14th March 2019. Information was given on residents attending the HRC site.

260/18 Accounts.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts £22,930.33 for February 2019 were approved for payment.

261/18 Items of report and matters for future agendas.

- a) Information was given on the East Dorset District Chairman's Charity event Vintage Style Gala Dinner which will be held at the Remedy Oak on Saturday 2nd March 2019.
- b) Information was given on the East Dorset District Chairman's Thanks Giving service on Monday 4th March at 1.45pm at Wimborne Minster.
- c) Information was given on the last meeting of the Local Action Group where concerns had been raised about Linden Homes development on Ringwood Road.
- d) Information was given on Planning training which was given by the DAPTC and that discussion should take place regarding a possible Neighbourhood Plan.
- e) Information was given on the Mayor's Charity Event 'Afternoon Tea with the Mayor', which will be held on Thursday 4th April between 2.30pm-4.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.07p.m.

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Mayor