

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

23rd April 2019

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

Apologies from Cllrs: C.Archibold & M.Hudson

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

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307/18 Declaration of Interests.

None.

308/18 Minutes of the Meeting held 27th March 2019 as circulated, were confirmed and signed.

309/18 Policing.

A report was circulated to all members. The Clerk was asked to contact the Police and ask for an update on the latest anti-social behaviour.

310/18 Clerk's Report.

- a) **Residents' enquiries and complaints** were copied to all members and were noted.
- b) **Verwood Friendship Group** wrote thanking the Town Council for Grant Aid for 2019/2020. This was noted.
- c) **Three Legged Cross Village Hall** wrote thanking the Town Council for Grant Aid for 2019/2020. This was noted.
- d) **Planning application 3/19/0737**, 8 Kiln Way, Verwood, Dorset. Conversion of existing integral double garage and construction of new detached garage. This application had a deadline of 13th May, therefore it was decided that the application be considered at this meeting as the next Plans Consultative Committee meeting is on 15th May and the Town Council were not allowed an extension.
After discussion it was
RESOLVED that there was no objection.

311/18 The Report of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held 9th April 2019 as circulated, was confirmed, adopted and signed.

312/18 The Reports of the Plans Consultative Committee meetings held 17th April 2019 as circulated, were confirmed, adopted and signed.

313/18 Royal Funeral Protocol.

A draft protocol was copied to all members. Discussion took place and after a few typos were amended it was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to approve the Royal Funeral Protocol.

314/18 Report from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor sent a written report on various functions and events she had attended which included: the opening of Portland Community venue; Bridport, Blandford and Ferndown Civic Days; opening of the new offices for Mags for Dorset; concert by the Fayrewood Singers; the Ceremony of the Keys at Portland; her Civic Service and Tea Party both of which were a great success.

315/18 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies

a) **Heathland Heritage Centre Executive Committee** meeting. Information was circulated regarding the last meeting where: a cheque for £939 was presented in memory of Pam Reeks BEM; Chairman's report; Treasurers report; information from the Archivist; the suggestion that a plaque be placed on the office door to commemorate Pam.

b) **Potterne Park User Group**. Information was given on the last meeting where matters discussed included: that external consultants have now been appointed to review how leisure is managed across Dorset with a report due at the end of September; discussion on the diversion of the Bridleway; funding to refurbish two of the tennis courts; more disabled parking spaces have been added and there will be larger signs and different coloured shingle to differentiate them; requests were made for extra bins at Potterne Park, that Verwood girls' club have access to a storage container.

A comment was made regarding the size of the disabled parking spaces and information was given that this was to be addressed.

c) **Verwood Memorial Hall**. Information was given on the investment which has been made to the hall, the building is now a Category C installation and that the solar heating was extremely successful.

316/18 Internet Councillor

Information was given that the Clerical Assistant was coping extremely well with the web site and that Facebook would be handed over to the office shortly.

317/18 Press & P.R.Councillor

Information was given that work was being carried out on the new Town Guide which is due to be published in July this year.

318/18 Reports of the Dorset Council Councillors.

Information was given on Potter's Wheel Car Park and the enforcement issues which had been dealt with. Discussion took place regarding the parking bays, time limits for parking there and possible future charges. The District/County Councillors thanked the Town Council for their support over the last four years.

319/18 Accounts.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts £24,987.30 for April 2019 were approved for payment.

320/18 Items of report and matters for future agendas.

- a) Information was given for a litter pick on Saturday 27th April 2019 at 10.00 am and that refreshments would be provided at the Town Council Offices.
- b) Planning Enforcement issues were brought to the Town Council from the Three Legged Cross Forum. The Clerk reported that she would investigate what action had been taken.
- c) The Mayor thanked all members for their support during her mayoral year. Thanks for contributions to the community were also given to Councillors, S. Hazel, Mrs.S.Shaw, Miss K.Stephens and Mrs.N.Thompson, who were not standing for election.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.56p.m.

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Mayor