



# ANDOVER TOWN COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Assets and Amenities Committee

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### Time and date

7.00pm on Thursday 13 July 2017

### Place

Town Council Offices, High Street, Andover

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Details of Attendance:

#### Town Councillors

Cllr V Pond (P) – Chairman

Cllr R Kidd (A) – Vice Chairman

Cllr S Hardstaff (A)

Cllr A Cotter (A)

Cllr R Hughes (P) – left 8.05pm

Cllr G McBride (P)

Cllr L Gregori (P)

Cllr L Bird (P)

Cllr K Bird (arrived 7.08pm) (P)

Cllr B Long (P)

Cllr C Ecclestone (A)

Cllr M Mumford (P)

Officer: Tor Warburton (Committee Officer – Taking the minutes (Training))

Other Cllrs present: Cllr Z Brooks (HCC)

Members of the Public: 0

#### AA 001/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr R Kidd.

#### AA002/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

#### AA003/17 MINUTES

The minutes of the Assets and Amenities Committee meeting held on 4 May 2017 were received and accepted as an accurate record.

Proposed by Cllr G McBride and seconded by Cllr L Gregori. Members voted unanimously to accept the minutes as a correct record.

**RESOLVED: The minutes of the Assets and Amenities Committee meeting held on 4 May 2017 were signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.**

The minutes of the Assets and Amenities Committee meeting held 11 May 2017 were received and accepted as an accurate record.

Proposed by Cllr G McBride and seconded by Cllr R Hughes. Members voted unanimously to accept the minutes as a correct record.

**RESOLVED: The minutes of the Assets and Amenities Committee meeting held on 11 May 2017 were signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.**

**AA004/17**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present and no questions asked.

**AA005/17**

**COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BID**

An update report was noted and Cllr B Long gave an explanation of the process for the benefit of new Committee members. Cllrs were requested to think about what they had in their wards that they might like added to the list. It was agreed that the Guildhall should be added to the list. Again, the Committee was asked if anyone else would like to help with the submitting of applications. It was pointed out that it does not take long but help would be appreciated.

**AA006/17**

**LENGTHSMAN SCHEME**

County Cllr Z Brooks was asked if we were one of the 38 parishes on the waiting list for the Lengthsman Scheme. Cllr Z Brooks confirmed that we were not. Cllr Z Brooks informed the Committee that each participating parish is awarded £1000. In some areas parishes team up and pool their £1,000. It was suggested that the Committee look into whether this can be done for the Andover Parish.

It was proposed by Cllr V Pond and seconded by Cllr B Long that the Committee task officers to look at the Lengthsman Sceme with a view to possibly taking on the delegation of footpaths, hedges, bushes etc from Hampshire County Council.

A vote was taken which was unanimous.

**RESOLVED: that the Committee task officers to look at the Lengthsman Scheme with a view to possibly taking on the delegation of footpaths, hedges, bushes etc from Hampshire County Council.**

**AA007/17**

**LUDGERSHALL RAILWAY**

It was agreed to defer this item until the next meeting.

**AA008/17**

**LAMP FOUNTAIN**

Cllr K Bird proposed and Cllr M Mumford seconded that Councillors pursue this project further and bring a report back to Committee.

A vote was taken which was unanimous.

**RESOLVED: that Councillors pursue this project further and bring a report back to Committee.**

**AA009/17**

**HCC MARKETS**

It was suggested that the Working Group be reinstated to review what was achieved previously and investigate taking this project further, perhaps with a view for Andover Town Council to take on the contract for the market at the end of the contract with TVBC.

**AA010/17**

**COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The members received and reviewed the Committee Work Programme. There were no additions.

**AA011/17**

**TREE FOR VIGO PARK**

Cllr B Long asked that the Committee be aware of the funding for the tree and that she would go back to Noel Preece regarding where the tree is to be located, possibly on the Vigo roundabout. Cllr B Long will bring report back to next meeting.

**AA012/17**

**BUS SHELTERS**

The Town Clerk had meeting with the Leader of Test Valley Borough Council and discussed the Bus Shelters. The Leader would chase the Test Valley Borough Council officers to complete their audit of the bus shelters. The Leader is corresponding with the Town Clerk to keep the Town Council abreast of progress. It was agreed that this should be added to the next agenda for an update.

**AA013/17**

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

Update was received. The Committee agreed that the Working Group needs to investigate if the new regulations will affect the Town Council's future Christmas lights, specifically the plaque on the front of the Guildhall.

**AA014/17**

**REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS**

**Cemeteries – No report**

**Office Move –** Members noted that negotiations for 68B The High Street were still on-going.

**AA015/17**

**COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

Was reviewed and it was agreed that adding a guard and a plaque to the Oak Tree in Vigo Park should be added to the next agenda.

**AA016/17**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Members noted the date of the next Assets and Amenities Committee meeting, Thursday 20 October 2017.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.21pm.

Chairman

Date