

2nd July 2019

DURSLEY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the PROCEEDINGS at the MEETING of the COUNCIL held in the Community Meeting Room at the Fire Station, Kingshill Road, Dursley at 7pm on Tuesday 2nd July 2019.

Action Summary:

10247.6 To confirm the additional summer youth sessions with The Door Youth Project.

PRESENT

Cllr N Grecian (Mayor)

Councillors: Mandy Woodward (Deputy Mayor), J. Ball, S Creswick, P Hayes, S Ackroyd, A Sheffield, W Thomas & S Abraham.

Also present: John Kay, Town Clerk; Leah Wellings, Deputy Town Clerk; Cllrs Doina Cornell and a work experience student from Rednock School.

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE 10235

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors, A Stennett, M Stennett, L Patrick, B Cairns, (all business); A Whitwell, and J Burdge (both personal).

MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 10236

There were no declarations of interest.

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS 10237

There were no requests for dispensations.

RESIGNATION OF TOWN COUNCILLORS 10238

The resignation of Cllrs Matt Nicholson and Brian Cairns was accepted. The Mayor thanked both of them for their contribution to the Council over the last few years and that both had reluctantly resigned from Council due to work and family commitments. A letter of thanks to be sent to both Councillors.

REPORTS FROM COUNTY OR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS 10239

There were no reports received, Cllr Friar had provided his apologies.

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BUSINESS RELATING TO COMMUNITY SAFETY 10240

To receive a report from Dursley's Neighbourhood Police representative

There were no representations from Dursley's Neighbourhood Police Team.

REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC 10241

There were no representations from the public.

MINUTES 10242

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 4th June 2019 were signed by the Mayor.

BUSINESS RELATING TO COUNCIL FINANCE 10243

Council's Accounts for 2019/20

10243.1 The Town Clerk confirmed the gloves had been purchased over the internet and would last for a considerable period of time. The installation of the new guttering at the Pavilion had been completed.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Mayor would sign the schedule of payments.

10243.2 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Mayor would sign the bank reconciliation.

10243.3 The income received since the last Council meeting was noted.

10243.4 The management/budget report was noted. The Town Clerk will soon be able to provide the final costs for the car park.

GREEN SPACES 10244

Report of the Chair of the Green Spaces Committee

In the absence of the Chair, the Town Clerk updated the Council on the recent report of broken glass in the playground on the War Memorial Recreation Ground. The family had been contacted and all glass had been removed.

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS AND AMENITIES 10245

Report of the Chair of the Town Improvements and Amenities Committee

The Chair had nothing to report.

PLANNING

10246

10246.1 To receive the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 18th June 2019.

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the Minutes of the meetings.

10246.2 Report of the Chair of the Planning Committee

In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair there was no report.

POLICY AND FINANCE

10247

10247.1 To receive the Minutes of the Policy & Finance Committee Meeting held on 18th June 2019.

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the Minutes of the meetings.

10247.2 Report by the Chair of the Policy and Finance Committee

The Chair had nothing to report.

10247.3 To adopt the draft Child Protection & Safeguarding Vulnerable Adult Policy.

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the Child Protection & Safeguarding Vulnerable Adult Policy.

10247.4 To adopt the recommended revisions to the Council's Standing Orders

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the revisions to the Council's Standing Orders.

10247.5 To adopt the recommended revisions to the Council's Statement of Delegation

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the revisions to the Council's Statement of Delegation.

10247.6 To consider the funding request from The Door Youth Club for additional youth sessions during the summer holiday period.

IT WAS RESOLVED to fund the eight additional session located in the Vibe Youth Centre at a cost of £1,363 from the Youth Service budget.

10247.7 To receive reports from the following meetings:

- (i) **Greenway** – The group are looking at good access to the Greenway, making it fully accessible including access to Rednock School. Funding is being sought to survey the section between Parsons Close and Fop Street, Uley.

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- (ii) **Dursley Welcomes Walkers** – The 2019 programme has been sent to the printers. Discussions with landowners are continuing for the gateway project.
- (iii) **Dursley in Bloom** – Volunteers filled 60 bags of litter/weeds on Sunday morning. Judging taking place on 10th July at 9:30am.
- (iv) **Summer Festival** – Volunteers required for marshalling and showing visitors around Jacob’s House. Next meeting on 8th July at 10am.
- (v) **Youth Services Quarterly review** – The Door Youth Sessions are quietly progressing, but numbers remain quite low. The meeting was dominated by the impact of the new venue hire by Community Mentoring & Support on Vibe related issues.
- (vi) **Dursley Town AFC** – An update on the building works at the Cricket Club was provided, new café/sports bar programmed to open in August. Aim to encourage more sports on the “Rec” and supported the planned Pentanq court. New boys’ teams starting in season 2019/20 incorporating teams from Slimbridge and local players. New barriers being installed with removable advertising boards. We met with our grass cutting contractor following comments raised at the meeting with pitch maintenance carried out.
- (vii) **Town Trust** – A extraordinary meeting to reduce the quorate to 5.
- (viii) **Visitor Information Centre** – A meeting with GCC representatives to discuss the legal agreement, financial commitments and timescales. Town Improvements Committee to consider updated legal agreement for a 6-month trial.

BUSINESS RELATING TO STAFF

10248

10248.1 To receive the Minutes of the Staff Committee Meeting held on the 11th June 2019.

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the Minutes of the meetings.

10248.2 Report by the Chair of the Staff Committee

In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair there was no report.

BUSINESS RELATING TO CAR PARK

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10249.1 Report of the Chair of the Car Park Committee

The Chair reported the car park was open and thanked the staff for their commitment to delivering the project.

10249.2 To receive a progress report.

The Town Clerk confirmed the car park opened on the 24th June with all snagging works completed. The CCTV and ANPR cameras were now operating fully. The Mayor officially opened the car park earlier today (2nd July).

A final meeting of the Car Park Committee would be arranged by the end of July.

HIGHWAYS

10249

To receive a report from Council’s Highways Representative

Cllr Hayes reported that sewer re-lining works were continuing across the town, with town centre works being done overnight where possible. There had been considerable traffic disruption with the closure of Silver Street on Sunday 30th June. Many properties in Cam, Dursley & Uley received advance warning letters after the closure.

Upcoming Road Closure of Uley Road, Dursley and Everlands (Cam) are planned for repair work. Castle Street to be closed for three nights at the end of October for resurfacing.

Cllr Hayes continues communication with GCC Highways regarding various drains which have not been cleaned and are full of silt.

BUSINESS RELATING TO COMMUNITY SAFETY

10250

To receive a report from Council’s Police representative

In the absence of Cllr Nicholson, the Town Clerk provided an update on recent criminal activities reported to the police along with supporting evidence from the Town Council’s CCTV system and the response from the police.

CLERK’S REPORT

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The Clerk’s report was noted.

INSPECTIONS

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The inspections for July & August were noted including a new inspection for the Long Street Car Park.

The meeting closed at 7:50pm

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Date