

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on  
Thursday 7th. June 2018, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber, 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs. Morton (Chairman), Castle, Cawte, Chambers, Chandler, Knight, Monger, van de Poll, Rees, Slevin and Wiseman.  <b>Absent:</b> Mr. Bishopp who was co-opted at this meeting was unable to attend. Apologies accepted.  <b>Clerk:</b> C Loch. Deputy Clerk S Carolan  <b>Members of the Press and Public:</b> BCC Cllr Chilver and two members of the public</p>
18/31	<p><b>Minutes of Meetings held 5th. April. 2018:</b> RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record.  <b>Matters Arising:</b> None</p>
18/32	<p><b>Co-option of Councillors to fill Casual Vacancy:</b>  Members considered the recommendation of the interviewing panel and RESOLVED that Laura Rees and Colin Bishopp be appointed councillors to fill the casual vacancies following the resignation of S Alman and the death of C Cruse.  Cllr Rees was then welcomed and introduced to other Councillors.  Membership of Committees was then considered and it was RESOLVED that Cllr. Rees be appointed to the Development Committee and Cllr. Bishopp to the Amenities Committee. It was further RESOLVED that the Development Committee be increased to six members.</p>
	<p><b>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed:</b> None</p>
18/33	<p><b>Committees and Reports from District and County Councillors.</b>  <b>Amenities:</b> Members considered the Recommendation of the Committee not to install CCTV in the park but there was concern that the decision was not in line with policy and could leave a valuable asset unprotected. It was RESOLVED that the matter be referred back to Amenities to be reconsidered.  <b>Development:</b>  Members noted the meeting held with AVDC to discuss the way forward and possible funding for the revision of the Neighbourhood Plan. The minutes from AVDC would be circulated. The Council Chairman expressed concern that the meeting had been organised without the express consent of the Committee as to attendance but it was generally agreed that as it was a technical, fact finding meeting without any decisions or commitment on the part of the Council this was not an issue. The Chair of Development was aware of the arrangements and had attended.  <b>Finance and General Purposes:</b> The grant to the Combined School was noted. Although the school had generously declined the grant as installation of the defibrillator could not be done so as to afford complete public accessibility, the urgent requirement to support the needs of a pupil was considered urgent and justified a grant being made.  <b>District and County Councillor Reports</b>  AVDC Cllr. Monger reported on Aylesbury Vale Broadband and that the AVDC Audit Committee would be considering the serious issues raised. A Central Area Growth Board had been established for the group of councils along the Oxford / Cambridge corridor but Bucks County had declined to join. A recent leadership challenge had narrowly resulted in Cllr. Mrs. Blake remaining. The Planning Department remains a concern although there is assurance that the situation is improving. Bucks County Councillor Chilver reported that plans for the redevelopment of the Winslow Centre were progressing well and a final plan was expected in August with demolition work to start in September. There had been concern about the bus shelter near Avenue Road obstructing the pavement. This was difficult to solve as the pavement was narrow and if facing the other way would allow those waiting to be spayed by passing traffic. However, the best compromise may well be to turn it around positioned against the fence and the matter was referred to Amenities. Plans for the MUGA in the context of the development of the Winslow Centre site were also discussed and this would have to await the final BCC plan was provided.</p>
	<p>The meeting was adjourned to allow the public to speak  A resident asked why the agenda did not appear on the website. The Clerk explained that this was in error as it is the intention to publish all agendas even though there is no statutory requirement to do so. Progress on a new Community Facility was queried and would be dealt with under a later agenda item.  <i>The meeting was reconvened</i></p>
18/34	<p><b>Current Strategic Issues</b>  <b>East West Rail</b></p>

	<p>Members were updated on discussions with EWR. Concerns over matters such as traffic access for the construction compound, a pedestrian right of way on the bridge, availability of suitable newer less polluting rolling stock and other matters of detail had been raised and little more would now be known until the Transport and Works Act Order was publicised</p> <p><b>Neighbourhood Plan</b> The revision was discussed and would essentially be exactly the same process as for the original document. A consultant would be needed to assist with the process by clearly identifying the steps and timescale as well as defining the information needed to complete each step. Government grants were available for professional assistance as well as to help with technical requirements such as a Housing Needs survey. It was emphasised that the plan had to meet the requirements of the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan which had a target date for adoption of January 2019.</p> <p><b>Community Centre</b> There had been a further meeting with BCC. Demolition was due to start in September. WTC were discussing the problem of access with the County who had highways representatives at the meeting. The County had indicated that a haulage road would be established linking to Furze Lane via estate roads on the current Bloor Homes development subject to their agreement. This would ensure demolition traffic did not impact on neighbouring streets. It was also noted that the library would be closed for a short period while adjacent demolition work took place and WTC had asked if this could be mitigated with a mobile facility. It was expected that the County would come back with a final plan in three months. There was a possibility that a community facility might be able to be incorporated into the redevelopment but this would await a final BCC proposal before it could be evaluated. In the meantime it was RESOLVED that WTC should continue to engage David Morris, of Frankham Consultancy Group, to evaluate the various site options and make a report to Council. This confirmed the decision taken at the April meeting.</p> <p><b>28 High St.</b> Members considered an application for a New Homes Bonus Micro Grant for furnishings for the meetings rooms and RESOLVED to approve the application.</p>
18/35	<p><b>Reports from Outside Bodies:</b> <b>CAAV:</b> There was no further report but funding remained a major concern. <b>AVALC.</b> A meeting was held on June 5<sup>th</sup> and minutes would be circulated in due course.</p>
18/36	<p><b>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature.</b> <b>Payments for signature:</b> Members noted the payment listing totalling £6,878.11 and RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors. <b>Banking:</b> The Clerk reported on current banking arrangements and it was RESOLVED that the TSB sweep arrangement be cancelled and the Clerk authorised to make transfers between Council accounts. <b>Winslow Community Bus:</b> Members noted that some files and communication equipment would be based in the Council Office once the Youth Centre was closed. It was expected that the bus could still be parked in the present location even after demolition was started. <b>Silent Soldier:</b> Arrangements for display of the image had been agreed with the British Legion.</p>
18/37	<p><b>Annual Governance Return:</b> Members having reviewed the Internal Audit statement and system of Internal Controls considered the Governance Statement as tabled and RESOLVED to approve the submission. It was noted that the Internal Audit report was clean with no comments or recommendations.</p>
18/38	<p><b>Annual Accounting Statements and Internal Audit</b> Members considered the Annual Accounting Statements as circulated and RESOLVED to approve the submission. The Clerk would now send the required documents to the external auditors for the deadline of June 11<sup>th</sup>.</p>
18/39	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> <b>AVDC Parking Study:</b> Members noted that AVDC had advised that a parking study for Winslow and Aylesbury would be undertaken. Details were yet to be provided. <b>AVDC Community Governance Review:</b> Members noted the review of boundaries and RESOLVED that the Development Committee consider the matter and bring a proposal to the July Council meeting.</p>
	<p><b>Items For Information:</b> The deputy Mayor had attended the Aylesbury Mayor Making ceremony, The RAF Halton Freedom March and the Twinning visit to France.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 8:54 pm.</p> <p>Signed: ..... (Chairman) at Meeting ..... (date)</p>