

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on
Thursday 6th November 2018, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber, 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p>Present: Cllrs. Morton (Chairman), Bishopp, Castle, Cawte, Chambers, Chandler, Knight, Monger, Rees, Slevin, van de Poll, and Wiseman.</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Clerk: C loch. Deputy Clerk S Carolan</p> <p>Members of the Press and Public: BCC Cllr. J Chilver AVDC Cllr. S Renshell and three members of the public were present.</p>
18/63	<p>Minutes of Meetings held 4th. October. 2018: RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record.</p> <p>Matters Arising: None</p>
18/64	<p>Committees and Reports from District and County Councillors.</p> <p>Development: Members noted the RECOMMENDATION on S106 funds in relation to the Land Off Great Horwood Road Winslow and RESOLVED that they be allocated to a New Community Facility and/or the purchase of green space. .</p>
18/65	<p>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature.</p> <p>Payments for signature: Members noted the payment listing totalling £43,152.13 and RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors.</p> <p>External Audit: Members noted that the External Audit had been completed with no material issues raised. The Internal Control Statement which backed the Governance Return would be published on the Web site.</p> <p>CAAV: Members noted that there would now be an Outreach session at 28 High Street every other Tuesday. The session is by appointment.</p> <p>Heritage Day 2019: Members noted a request to include 28 High St. in the next event and RESOLVED that it be approved subject to suitable opening arrangements being agreed with the Clerk.</p>
18/66	<p>Current Strategic Issues</p> <p>General Dispensation. Having considered the potential interest of all members in major strategic items it was RESOLVED that a general dispensation be approved until the Annual Meeting of 2020 for members to speak and vote on matters related to the East West Rail line, Growth Corridor, the proposed new Community Facility, 28 High St. And the Winslow Neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>East West Rail A pre-meeting for the Public Enquiry in February would be on Nov 29th and attended by a Council representative. Network Rail was yet to respond to the last Council submission.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Plan Members noted that the optional Development meeting in November would be used to discuss the Winslow Neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>Community Centre The fourth site review meeting would be held on Nov 28th. Once all the possibilities had been discussed and evaluated by Council the outcome would be taken to a wider group currently planned for January and to include speakers on matters such wildlife.</p> <p>28 High St. Members reaffirmed their wish to defer consideration on wider use of the building at this stage. In the meantime the Clerk could continue to make such bookings as appropriate.</p>
	<p><i>The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public to speak</i></p> <p>A resident suggested that having attended a recent talk on Wild Life in relation to the Growth Corridor it seemed appropriate that a similar session should be held in Winslow and Council support would be welcome. It was agreed that this should be considered and would be discussed under the relevant agenda item.</p> <p>Cllr. Chilver noted that there was nothing new to report on the Winslow Centre although the Demolition funding had been approved and work was still expected to start in the spring. The next LAF meeting would now be held on Dec 3rd at the Combined School. Resurfacing of Church Walk was scheduled for November and preliminary work had started. The pedestrian crossing at the Swan was going ahead despite all input from the Council and residents.</p>

	<p>A resident noted the excellent level of attendance at the Big Society AGM and how it highlighted the outstanding community spirit in Winslow. <i>The meeting was reconvened</i></p>
<p>18/67</p>	<p>Growth Corridor: Members discussed the announcement that Corridor B was the preferred option and the potential impact on Winslow and noted a drop in session with Highways England on Nov.14th when Cllrs. Slevin and van de Poll would attend. At this stage there was little specific information available but a number of points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Considerable disquiet on Environmental Issues, particularly at the Oxford end where opposition groups had been organised. • Doubts about the real need and concerns that it was just promoting the area for a share of the 1million homes targeted along the corridor which could well be undeliverable. • It would be unlikely that the Government could be persuaded to change its mind (n.b. HS2) and the Council might be best advised to concentrate on protecting the Winslow Community and any development complementing the existing communities. • The lack of public discussion so far. • The width of the proposed corridor was considerable and it was difficult to assess the detailed implications without a specific proposal. • The potential impact on Winslow would need to be communicated to residents once more information was available. The possible impact of a new city and major development very close to Winslow should not be lost in discussion on the expressway. <p>Members RESOLVED to continue to review developments and to look to organising a public meeting in January if sufficient information was available.</p>
	<p>Items For Information:</p> <p>WADAS: An exhibition had been held in the Public Hall using the new display boards for which the Council had made a grant. It had been very successful and WADAS expressed their thanks for the grant.</p> <p>Christmas Fayre: Members noted the date for November 29th and the revised format for this year.</p> <p>Lions: Members noted that there had been complaints to the organisation about safety at the Fireworks Display. The Council was not directly involved but would need to assess what steps were being taken to mitigate any such risks in future before approving use of Tomkins Park for the event.</p> <p>Council Logo: A suggested design was circulated and comments requested. It would be discussed on a future agenda.</p> <p>Armistice Day: The excellent display in ST. Laurence church was noted.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 8:37 pm.</p> <p>Signed: (Chairman) at Meeting (date)</p>