

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>. March 2020, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber, 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs. Morton, Bishopp, Castle, Cawte, Chambers, Hamley, Knight, Monger, van de Poll and Wiseman.</p> <p><b>Absent:</b> Cllrs. Slevin and Rees. Apologies accepted.</p> <p><b>Clerk:</b> C Loch. <b>Deputy Clerk</b> S Carolan</p> <p><b>Members of the Press and Public:</b> BCC Cllr. Chilver, and one members of the public.</p>
	<p><b>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed:</b> None</p>
19/80	<p><b>Minutes of Meetings held 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020:</b> RESOLVED that these minutes be signed as a true record.</p> <p><b>Matters Arising:</b> None.</p> <p><b>Items Deferred from Previous Meeting.</b> None</p>
19/81	<p><b>Committees</b></p> <p><b>Amenities:</b> Members noted that the path through the recreation ground was in need of repair and the amount of mature ivy in The Spinney which could well pull down the host trees. There was also concern at the poor service being received on bin emptying since the work was taken in house by AVDC. A number of new trees had been purchased for Tomkins Park and a tree planting event involving the public was planned for Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>. May. The relocation of the MUGA as part of the Winslow Centre redevelopment was discussed and it was RESOLVED that the Amenities Committee make a final decision in the light of current information from BCC.</p> <p><b>Development:</b> A draft Environmental Policy and initial actions was tabled and it was RESOLVED that it be accepted in principle but go back to Development for minor alterations before being formally approved by Council at the next meeting. The final draft was to be circulated to members before the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Finance and General Purposes.</b> There had been no further meeting and no issues were raised.</p> <p><b>Events:</b> The Clerk reported on efforts to recruit new traders at the Farmers Market. It was RESOLVED that traders recruiting an approved new stall holder who signed up for a six month period would be given a free stall for a month. .</p>
	<p>The meeting was adjourned to allow the public to speak. <i>No matters were raised.</i> <i>The meeting was reconvened</i></p>
	<p><b>Reports from County and District Councillors</b> BCC Cllr. Chilver reported that the demolition contractor for the Winslow Centre had been appointed and was expected to start in April. Work was underway to redirect services to the library building which would now remain open until the new one was complete. It was agreed that another meeting, involving local sporting organisations and in particular WUFC (including the junior section) was needed to draft coherent recommendations. If possible this would be done in conjunction with a meeting on the proposed Redfield Employment site on March 11<sup>th</sup>. or 12<sup>th</sup>. Several highway matters were raised including the High St. drainage, the Avenue Road surface, pavements in Park Road and elsewhere, a repair needed in Sheep St., a sunken drain and blocked drains in Church St. It was also noted that the A413 south of Winslow would be resurfaced.</p>
19/82	<p><b>Strategic Issues</b></p> <p><b>Growth Corridor</b> No further information to report.</p> <p><b>Unitary Authority</b> Councillors met on Feb 27th to approve the Budget and Constitution. The transition to the new Council on April 1st was on track.</p> <p><b>East West Rail:</b> Cllr Bishopp attended a Launch Event on Feb 26th and reported that: The cutting back of vegetation had started. There were concerns over the controll of heavy traffic in small villages as materials and</p>

	<p>equipment were delivered to site. The ability to mitigate the problem with haul roads was limited. In some cases villages would benefit from bypasses or road widening but Winslow was on the A413, a major road and there was no real ability to mitigate any impact. Work on the construction of the station would start next year. The line was expected to start operating in 2024. The car park was planned to accommodate 350 cars. There were no plans to link the EWR line to HS2 and no plans now or ever to have a Calvert station.</p> <p><b>Winslow Neighbourhood Plan Revision.</b> There was still no clear indication of when AVDC ( or the new Unitary Council) would be able to consolidate responses on the main modifications to VALP to the Inspector and if he would then require hearing session before preparing his report. The likelihood was that it would be the third quarter before VALP would progress and in the meantime there was little that WTC could do to progress the WNHP revision. It was also noted that a further referendum would probably be necessary.</p> <p><b>Environmental Policy</b> The Development Committee would submit a final draft policy for approval at the next Council meeting.</p> <p><b>Community Centre</b> A briefing note has been sent to four potential architects and site visits would be arranged. Following their assessment of the sites and presentation on their approach to the project, a firm would be selected to take it forward.</p> <p><b>28 High St.</b> The Clerk had drafted an S106 funding application for a lift. Members also considered his report on the heating system and RESOLVED that the application should also include provision for a modern efficient boiler and control system.</p> <p><b>Winslow Centre Redevelopment.</b> Progress was as reported by BCC Cllr Chilver as above. Members also RESOLVED that if it proved possible to include a skate park at the proposed Sports Hub then the use of S106 funds could be considered.</p>
19/83	<p><b>Reports from Outside Bodies:</b> <b>AVALC:</b> The next meeting would be held on March 10<sup>th</sup>. <b>CAAV.</b> The benefit of the merger in approaching the new Unitary Council for funding was noted as well as the work of BACAB. <b>Rogers Free Education Trust.</b> The next meeting would be in June.</p>
19/84	<p><b>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature.</b> <b>Payments for signature:</b> Members noted the payment listing totalling £6,877.71. RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors. <b>Annual Town Meeting:</b> The Committee Chairs were asked to submit notes for the Chairman's report to the meeting.</p>
	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> None</p>
	<p><b>Items for Information:</b> Members noted the possible impact of the Coronavirus on matters such as meetings and agreed that unless legislation was changed the Council could only follow Government guidelines. However, much of the Council activity could be carried on remotely if necessary.</p> <p>Local Council elections would be held in May and nomination forms had to be submitted by April 8<sup>th</sup>. WTC expected to receive nomination packs on or about March 9<sup>th</sup> and would be distributed to Councillors requiring them. Packs would also be available for members of the public but could also be downloaded from the website. The Annual Council meeting in May had been rescheduled a week later than normal because of election.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 8:57 pm.</p> <p>Signed: ..... (Chairman) at Meeting ..... (date)</p>