

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on
Thursday 2nd. July 2020, at 7.00pm, on line.

	<p>Present: Cllrs. Wiseman (Chairman), Barry, Bishopp, Cawte, Castle, Hamley, Knight, Monger, van de Poll, and Slevin. Cllr Onley was appointed during the meeting ref 20/20</p> <p>Absent: Cllr. Goss. Apology accepted.</p> <p>Clerk: C Loch. Deputy Clerk S Carolan</p> <p>Members of the Press and Public: Bucks Cllrs. J. Chilver, S Renshell, and B Stanier. There was one member of the public present until Mr. Onley was co-opted as a Councillor.</p> <p>The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Barry back to the Council</p>
20/18	<p>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed: Cllrs. Wiseman and Monger declared a personal interest in matters relating to Lions. Cllr. Monger as a Bucks Councillor declared an interest in matters relating to the Winslow Centre.</p>
20/19	<p>Minutes of Meetings held 4th June. 2020: RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record.</p> <p>Matters Arising: None</p>
	<p>Items Deferred from Previous Meeting: None</p>
20/20	<p>Co-option to fill Casual Vacancies: Members considered the recommendation of the delegated co-option panel and RESOLVED that Mr. Martin Onley be co-opted as a councillor. Mr Onley having declared his acceptance joined the meeting as a Councillor.</p>
20/21	<p>Committees and Reports from members of Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>Committees: Members considered the membership of Committees following the finalisation of co-option to fill the casual vacancies. Cllr Goss was appointed to Development and Cllr. Barry to Amenities. Cllr. Onley would have the opportunity to attend both Amenities and Development before a decision was made.</p> <p>Development would meet at 2.30pm on a Tuesday July 7th and August 13th and revert to 7pm on Thursday in September as normal.</p> <p>Amenities: The Clerk reported on correspondence from Sustrans offering to transfer ownership of the parcel of land relating to the cycle path within the TPA to the Council. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should progress the matter and report back to Council.</p> <p>Ivy in the hedge along Greyhound Lane was now beginning to obstruct the cycle path and the Clerk was asked to contact the owner to have it cut back.</p> <p>The process of re-opening the Playground and Outdoor Gym was discussed. The H&S and Insurance issues were complicated and Amenities would meet on Thursday 9th July at 7pm (remotely) to review the risk assessment and procedure for approval.</p> <p>Development: It was noted that there had been no further progress on the process for calling in Planning Applications under the constitution of the new Bucks Council. Members were again urged to ensure that any application on which WTC might wish to speak, either in support or against, should be raised with a Bucks Councillor.</p> <p>Publicising developer consultations was discussed and it was RESOLVED that if requested or if the Council felt it was advantageous to residents then consultations could be publicised but using neutral text and not indicating the Councils position on the matter.</p> <p>WTC would meet with Bucks Planning on July 8th to further discuss the Planning Process.</p> <p>Events: The Clerk reported on the re-opening of the Farmers Market which had gone well without any significant problems and was generally appreciated by both traders and residents. August would again be full with a few more stalls possible with some revision to the layout. It was RESOLVED that a charge would be reinstated from August but adjusted as gazebos and tables would not be supplied.</p> <p>Operation London Bridge was discussed. The Clerk had prepared a draft protocol for Winslow. It was RESOLVED that Cllrs. Bishopp, Monger and Knight would assist on a working party to finalise the protocol. D French would assist to liaise with the St Laurence Church.</p> <p>It was noted that the organisers of Heritage Day were pressing ahead with the printing of the brochure and plans to hold the event.</p> <p>The Lions Fireworks were discussed. It was RESOLVED that Council would not fund the event. There had been a move by some residents to have al fresco eating in the Market Square. Although an appealing idea, there were a number of practical difficulties in doing it on a routine basis and the Council could not support it. Consideration could be given to various types of one off events in the Square.</p>

	<p>Finance and General Purposes: Members considered a request from Thames Valley Police for WTC to continue covering the premises cost of the Winslow Office. It was RESOLVED to continue the existing arrangement for a further five years so long as the local office presence was maintained.</p> <p>Reports from members of Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>Bucks. Cllr. Renshell reported on the new Winslow and Villages Community Board. Some 24 villages were involved and there would be a trial meeting on July 16th when the Clerk would represent the Council. There would be a budget of £104k for general community needs and £186k for infrastructure. Members expressed their concern that the allocation of the New Homes Bonus element of the funds should reflect the contribution from the development that had taken place in individual communities.</p> <p>Bucks. Cllr. Chilver reported that Bucks Council would contribute towards the cost of providing a high speed internet connection along the EWR track. This would benefit rail users but could possibly also benefit communities if a provider were to access it.</p> <p>Bucks. Cllr. Monger reported that the full council would meet on July 15th. and while remote meetings were not ideal it was hoped that they would become more engaging. Following a meeting with the relevant stakeholders, the provision of a new medical centre as part of the Winslow Centre re-development will remain as a topic for discussion and there would be renewed efforts to get it back on track. As it would be ten months before a planning application would be submitted, there was certainly time to work on solving any difficulties.</p> <p>There had been no further progress in getting documentation to the Inspector in respect of VALP.</p> <p>Bucks Cllr. Stanier reported on the Licencing Committee and the difficulties being faced because of Covid19 restrictions.</p>
20/22	<p>Current Strategic Issues</p> <p>Growth Corridor Although opposed by the previous legacy councils, it was noted that Bucks Council was yet to establish a policy.</p> <p>East West Rail Although progress was being made there was considerable dissatisfaction with the management of path and road closures.</p> <p>Winslow Neighbourhood Plan revision: No real progress could be made until such time as VALP was adopted and the services of the consultant would not be required until it was possible to better assess the timing.</p> <p>Community Centre: The project was now awaiting the final response from the firms invited to supply architectural services and meetings would then be held to determine which one would be recommended to take the project forward. .</p> <p>28 High St. The S106 application for funding for a lift had been rejected as it did not place enough emphasis on sport and leisure. It would be resubmitted.</p> <p>Winslow Centre Redevelopment. As dealt with above.</p> <p>Members noted arrangements for the relocation of the MUGA and it was RESOLVED that the lease of the MUGA land now be formally surrendered and signed as a deed by two Councillors.</p>
20/23	<p>Reports from Outside Bodies:</p> <p>AVALC. The next meeting would be on Sept 8th.</p> <p>Rogers Free Education Trust. A meeting would probably not be needed until year end .</p>
20/24	<p>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature.</p> <p>Payments for signature: Members noted the payment listing totalling £4,742.49. RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors.</p> <p>Gigaclear: Members considered a draft agreement for the provision of cable to the Public Hall and Bowls Club. There was no objection in principle but the Clerk was asked to investigate re-routing the cable to avoid any possible disturbance to the car park</p> <p>Web site: The working party had reviewed a number of potential suppliers and out of a short list of two council specific providers recommended 2commune as the basis for looking to a final solution for a replacement package. A link to the supplier web site would be circulated to Councillors. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should progress securing a replacement of the WTC web site using software from 2Commune at an estimated cost of £1,700 in the first year and £400 per year thereafter. The current annual support cost was £150.</p> <p>Council Office: It was agreed that reopening the council office to the public be reviewed at the August meeting.</p> <p>Food Cupboard: The Food Cupboard had requested use of a room at 28 High St. to enable the St. Laurence Room to be re-opened to the public. It was RESOLVED that this be approved and that the Clerk make the necessary arrangements.</p>

Items for Information:

Members noted that the funeral procession for Mr Ronald Taylor would pass through Winslow just before 3pm on Friday 3rd July.

The volume of litter in Tomkins Park was a major problem and Councillors expressed their thanks to Tony Perkins who was doing so much to keep it clear. It was also noted that some residents were assisting and their efforts were much appreciated.

Meeting Closed 8:58 pm.

Signed: (Chairman) at Meeting (date)