

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on  
THURSDAY 5th. June 2014, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber at 28 High Street, Winslow.

	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs Wiseman (Chairman), Castle, Cawte, Chambers, Eatwell, Gibbs, Knight, Monger, Payne, and van de Poll.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Cllrs. Barry and Laws: Accepted</p> <p><b>Clerk:</b> C Loch <b>Deputy Clerk:</b> K Oddey</p> <p><b>Members of the Press and Public:</b> Cllr. S Renshell (AVDC) No press were present.</p>
	<p><b>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed:</b> none</p> <p><b>Consideration of Applications for Dispensation –</b> none</p>
14/54	<p><b>Minutes of Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> May:</b> RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record</p> <p><b>Matters Arising:</b> None</p>
14/55	<p><b>Items Deferred from Previous meetings:</b></p> <p>Crowd funding: Cllr. Laws to be asked to circulate the report for discussion at the next meeting.</p>
14/56	<p><b>Reports from Committees.</b></p> <p><b>Amenities:</b></p> <p>The new welcome signs were now installed as well as the climbing frame at the playground which has been well received. Lighting for the War Memorial was progressing along with the Tree Lights but would now await the Church Faculty. The allotment holders had been circulated in respect of an allotment group and feedback coming in.</p> <p>Members discussed the proposal from Bucks County Council to devolve grass cutting services and RESOLVED that the matter be delegated to Amenities to make a recommendation. Members also RESOLVED to approve expenditure up to £500 to trial grass cutting within the town, subject to using a contractor with suitable experienced and insurance and with BCC approvals.</p> <p><b>Development:</b></p> <p>Members noted a comment on Phase II of the Verney Road development planning and asked the Clerk to comment that fencing should be close board to match the existing Phases.</p> <p><b>Events:</b></p> <p>Members heard that the Big Lunch had proved popular with approximately 150 residents attending. There was still a need for volunteers to help with the Farmers Market and other events.</p> <p><b>Resources</b></p> <p>Members noted a demand from Bucks County Council for fees of approximately £1,000 to process the sublease for the Storehouse Charity. This was considered totally unreasonable and in any case appeared excessive compared to another third party quote for legal work. As WTC had taken on the Youth Centre building to save Youth Services which had been dropped by BCC and were also saving them maintenance on what would have been an empty building it was RESOLVED to write to M Tett with copies to Cllr J Chilver (BCC), BCC legal Dept. and BCC Youth Services to protest at what was in effect an obstruction to making best use of a taxpayer funded building which could provide a valuable facility for the community.</p>
14/57	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan:</b></p> <p>Members heard that it was expected that a positive response would be received from the Examiner and that with some minor amendment the plan would proceed to referendum. Ideally the referendum would be held before the school holidays. It was noted that a group of residents were setting up a “Yes” campaign and RESOLVED that if legally allowable, expenditure up to the permitted amount be approved to promote a Yes vote in line with Council policy.</p>
14/58	<p><b>Community Assets:</b></p> <p>Members noted that solicitors had been instructed and the Heads of Agreement for the purchase had been signed and forwarded. Funding for the project from NHB was in place and the Clerk would arrange interim funding as necessary. A date for the Steering Group to meet had not yet been set.</p>
	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</p> <p>The following had been circulated and were noted.</p> <p><b>AVDC:</b> AVDC's 3rd Open Session with Parishes - Wednesday 25 June 2014</p> <p><b>AVDC:</b> Community Governance Review. As circulated to consider Parish arrangements</p> <p><b>BCC:</b> Devolution Briefing for Clerks proposed for early June.</p>
14/59	<p><b>Reports from Outside Bodies:</b></p> <p><b>Citizens Advice Bureau:</b> Noted that the CAB had agreed to act as a point of contact for those who would have used the AVDC local office which was now closed.</p> <p><b>AVALC:</b> Next meeting June 26th</p> <p><b>Chamber of Trade:</b> Noted that a successful event to promoted local trade had been held on 23<sup>rd</sup></p>

	May. The Farmers Market had been represented.
<b>14/60</b>	<p><b>Annual Return.</b> The Annual Return and Accounts for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 having been circulated, it was RESOLVED that the return and accounts be approved and that Cllr. Barry as Chairman be delegated to sign on behalf of Council.</p> <p><b>Payments for signature:</b> Members noted the Income &amp; Expenditure to date and payment listing totalling £24, 431.61 RESOLVED to authorise that the cheque payments be signed by two councillors.</p>
	<p><b>Items For Information:</b> <b>Mayors Activities:</b> The Deputy Mayor Cllr Wiseman had attended the Aylesbury Mayor Making Ceremony.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 7.54 pm.</p> <p>Date of next meeting 3<sup>rd</sup>. July 2014</p>
	<p>Signed: ..... (Chairman) at Meeting ..... (date)</p>