

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on  
Thursday 3rd. August 2017, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber, 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs. Castle (Chairman), Alman, Cawte, Chandler, Chambers, Knight, Morton, Slevin, van de Poll and Wiseman.  <b>Absent:</b> Cllrs. Barry and Monger. Apology accepted.  <b>Clerk:</b> C Loch  <b>Members of the Press and Public:</b> AVDC Cllr. S Renshell.</p>
	<p><b>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed:</b> None  <b>Consideration of Applications for Dispensation:</b> None</p>
17/37	<p><b>Minutes of Meetings held 6th. July 2017:</b> RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record.  <b>Items Deferred from Previous Meeting.</b> None</p>
17/38	<p><b>Committees</b>  <b>Amenities:</b> Members noted that the town had won the Michaelis Cup for small towns in the Best Kept Village Competition. The cup would be presented on Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup>. - details were yet to be announced. A recommendation to engage an independent consultant to advise on the operation and scope of the CCTV system was considered. Members RESOLVED that a consultant was not necessary and that it be referred back to the Amenities Committee for further consideration.  <b>Development:</b> The application for the development at Buckingham Road had now been appealed by the developer on the grounds of non determination. It was now some ten months since AVDC had validated the application and determination might still not happen until mid September. The Castlemilk decision for Buckingham was noted as it further strengthened the support for Neighbourhood plans when applications are being determined.  <b>Events:</b> Members heard an update on the Picnic in the Park scheduled for August 13<sup>th</sup>. There would be a final planning meeting with other organisations on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August. It was noted that the gazebos used for the Farmers market were now becoming well worn and a major replacement exercise might be needed.</p> <p>Cllr. Alman joined the meeting</p> <p><b>Finance and General Purposes:</b> A Recommendation to approve a submission to East West Rail in response to the Phase 2 consultation was considered and it was RESOLVED that it be approved and the Clerk submit the documentation. Major concerns included some doubts as to whether the vehicle bridge would in fact be replaced, related works on Furze lane, noise mitigation for the Burial Ground and nearby residents, keeping the closure of footpaths to a minimum and only for when work is actually being done and pedestrian access to the Railway station. However, it was early days and more detail would emerge as plans progressed.  Members heard an update on 28 High St.. The VAT claim on the purchase had been received and some refurbishment work would start once costs were finalised. Members also agreed that the office should be open to the public on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays between 9.30 and 12.30. The office could be contacted at other times by telephone or email and would open by appointment if necessary.  A pre-budget Strategy meeting would be held on October 17<sup>th</sup> to be attended by the F&amp;G members and the Chairs of other Committees. All were asked to submit items for consideration before that date. The Precept meeting for the coming year would be held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November.</p>
17/39	<p><b>Community Facilities:</b>  <b>Tomkins Park &amp; Arboretum:</b> There had been no further steering group meetings. Vandalism was a major concern with some seven instances of broken benches and tables as well as other disruptive behaviour in the area. CCTV in the bowls club was being considered. Members agreed that the issue of anti social behaviour in the town should now be raised with TVP at a higher level and Council should write to request a meeting. It was noted that once again a representative of the local office had not been available to come to the meeting to update Councillors. Completion of the path was now considered a priority.  <b>New Community Facility.</b>  There had been no further meeting of the steering group. There would be a further public consultation on Show Day.</p>

	<p><i>The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public to speak.</i></p> <p>The AVDC Chairman's Charity Quiz Event on 20th October 2017 was noted. Work on gas pipes in Verney Road and resurfacing of the High St. were noted.</p> <p><i>The meeting was reconvened</i></p>
17/40	<p><b>Reports from Outside Bodies:</b></p> <p><b>Citizens Advice:</b> No report</p> <p><b>AVALC:</b> The next meeting would be in September.</p> <p><b>Rogers Free Education Trust:</b> Further grants had been made to local residents.</p>
17/41	<p><b>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature.</b></p> <p><b>Payments for signature:</b> Members noted the payment listing totalling £8,411.51 and RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors.</p> <p><b>Cold Calling:</b> Members considered a proposal to make Winslow a Cold Calling area and asked the Clerk to obtain further information so that both "No Cold Calling" and Neighbourhood Watch could be promoted.</p> <p><b>Internal Control Statement:</b> Members considered a draft document for inclusion in the Transparency documentation and authorised the Chairman to sign the final version.</p>
17/42	<p><b>Correspondence noted:</b></p> <p><b>Buckingham Town Council:</b> A request for residents from villages along the A413 Cycle Way to sweep and clear the path of debris until such time as AVDC and BCC had arrangements in place was noted and would be raised at the Development Committee.</p>
	<p><b>Items For Information:</b></p> <p><b>Town Crier:</b> The next issue was expected in September.</p> <p><b>Council Guide:</b> The Clerk reported that a guide to the various responsibilities of each Council along with contact details had been drafted and would be published as a trial.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 8:39 pm.</p>
	<p>Signed: ..... (Chairman) at Meeting ..... (date)</p>