

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on Thursday 2nd. November 2017, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber, 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p>Present: Cllrs. Castle (Chairman), Alman, Cawte, Chandler, Chambers, Knight, Monger, Morton, van de Poll, Slevin and Wiseman. Absent: Cllrs. Chambers. Apology accepted. Clerk: C Loch. Members of the Press and Public: One member of the public was present.</p>
	<p>PCSO Rachel Found reported on Neighbourhood Police activity. Anti social behaviour had decreased but shop lifting remained the major cause of incidents. It was again stressed that if an incident is witnessed then the police need to be contacted so that they can intervene: on 101 Or 999 if the incident is in progress. There would be a renewed effort to extend the Neighbourhood Watch scheme and anyone interested in being a co-ordinator should contact the local police office. Members asked if regular crime statistics could be supplied to the Council.</p>
	<p>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed: None Consideration of Applications for Dispensation: None</p>
17/56	<p>Minutes of Meetings held 5th. October 2017: RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record. Matters Arising: A response was awaited from EWR on Council comments following the public consultation. The Clerk was asked to follow this up. Items Deferred from Previous Meeting. None</p>
17/57	<p>Committees Amenities: Members considered the previously circulated revision of the CCTV policy and RESOLVED that it be approved. A complaint from a resident in respect of being asked to cut back vegetation overhanging the pavement was noted. The Clerk noted that residents frequently complain when the pavements are not kept clear and that there is also an obligation under the Bucks County devolution agreement. The public footpath beside the Winslow Centre also needed attention as vegetation was growing onto the path. A request from a resident to erect additional fencing on Council land behind the OFFA was considered and it was RESOLVED not to give approval as it could impact on established boundaries and become the responsibility of Council. Development: The proposed Winslow Business Park development was currently being progressed and AVDC had also been requested to clarify some details before the application is discussed at the next meeting. Minor amendments to the VALP had also been noted and it would be discussed further before an NBPPC meeting on Nov 29th. Events: The Christmas Theatre “Much Ado About Puffin” to be held on December 10th was noted and members who could help with set up would be appreciated. The Committee also recommended that replacement equipment be funded from the Farmers Market surplus and it was RESOLVED to approve this subject to a final check with Leader that a grant would not be available. Finance and General Purposes: Work on repairs to the roof of 28 High St. was progressing well and was expected to be completed by mid November. Storage of equipment was also considered and the Clerk was authorised to investigate various options. The Strategy Meeting which had covered ideas on the level of precept, parking, services on new developments and devolution was noted. A further strategy meeting would be held in January.</p>
	<p><i>The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public to speak.</i> No matters were raised. <i>The meeting was reconvened</i></p>
17/58	<p>Community Facilities: Tomkins Park & Arboretum: Work on the path was complete and decisions and major items to be addressed now were whether to fence the park or not and storage for equipment. The latter could depend on final plans for 28 High St. and with regard to fencing the Clerk was asked to get budget estimates for fencing. New Community Facility. Existing users had now been contacted and a further meeting was planned within the next few weeks.</p>
17/59	<p>Reports from Outside Bodies: Citizens Advice: Members were asked to contact Cllr. Monger if they did hear of any problems with service now that the new structure was operating.</p>

17/60	<p>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature. Payments for signature: Members noted the payment listing totalling £7,066.15 and RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors. Audit: Members noted the internal and external audit reports and that no issues had been raised. Budget: A draft budget had been circulated and members were asked to submit questions or matters for discussion before the meeting on 28th November.</p>
17/61	<p>Antisocial Behaviour: Designated Public Place Order (DPPO): The Clerk reported that changes in legislation mean that such orders will change to Public Space protection Orders (PSPO) from October. AVDC will advise on new signage. As Cllr Barry had resigned Cllr Knight would attend the next Community Forum.</p>
17/62	<p>Correspondence: Resignation of Cllr Barry. The Clerk reported that Cllr. Barry had now resigned and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk begin the process of finding a new Councillor with a view to having the process completed in time for the February meeting. It was further RESOLVED that Cllrs Cawte, Monger and Morton would conduct interviews in the event of a co-option. Members expressed their regret that David had resigned and wished to thank him for many years of dedicated service and advice to the Council and wished him well for the future.</p>
	<p>Items For Information: Mayors Activities: The Mayor attended the 5th AGM of the Winslow Big Society, the Chairman of Buckinghamshire County Council's Reception and tour of the Buckingham Opportunities Centre, the Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire's Awards to S E Reserve Forces & Cadets at Stowe School and made a presentation, on behalf of WTC to the recently retired Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Wendy Taylor.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 8:32 pm.</p> <p>Signed: (Chairman) at Meeting (date)</p>