

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on  
Thursday 7th. December 2017, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber, 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs. Castle (Chairman), Alman, Cawte, Chandler, Chambers, Knight, Monger, van de Poll, Slevin and Wiseman.  <b>Absent:</b> Cllrs. Morton. Apology accepted.  <b>Clerk:</b> C Loch.  <b>Members of the Press and Public:</b> No press or public were present.</p>
	<p><b>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed:</b> None  <b>Consideration of Applications for Dispensation:</b> None</p>
17/65	<p><b>Minutes of Meetings held 28th. November 2017:</b> RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record.  <b>Matters Arising:</b> None  <b>Items Deferred from Previous Meeting.</b> None</p>
17/66	<p><b>Committees</b>  <b>Amenities:</b> Members considered a recommendation to continue to operate the CCTV system under the current assessment until the Annual Meeting, at which time it would be reviewed. It was RESOLVED to continue to operate on this basis and also to remove unused cameras in the Market Square.  <b>Development:</b>  There had been a meeting with the developer of the Station Road business park but although a revised plan had been submitted to Planning it had not resolved all issues and would be discussed further at the next committee meeting. Members noted that third party assistance could be needed on some current planning issues and RESOLVED that Development should incur such reasonable costs within budget without further reference. Members also noted that a competition for design concepts for the future growth in the Oxford to Cambridge corridor had been won by the VeloCity plan for a settlement near Winslow. This does not however imply any firm plan for such a settlement.  <b>Events:</b> The Christmas Theatre due to be held on December 10<sup>th</sup> had to be cancelled as virtually no tickets had been sold. The Christmas Fayre had been successful although the weather was very cold and attendance was down. The Chairman thanked all those who helped to make it a successful event. The committee would consider changing some of the format for the next fayre.  <b>Finance and General Purposes:</b> The normal meeting had been replaced by the Precept meeting and no points were raised  <b>S106:</b> .AVDC had advised of further S106 funds that could arise from current developments and while this would be dealt with by F&amp;G all members were asked to consider possible projects to which funds could be allocated. The AVDC policy of only allowing S106 to be used for sport and leisure was very restrictive and made it difficult for small communities to make the best use of funds. This was an issue being taken up by AVALC.  <b>Budget:</b> .The draft presented to the November precept meeting would be amended for the points raised so far and finalised at the January meeting.</p>
17/67	<p><b>Community Facilities:</b>  <b>Tomkins Park &amp; Arboretum:</b> A further meeting would be held in the New Year .    <b>New Community Facility.</b>  Existing and potential users had now been contacted and a further meeting was planned within the next few weeks. An interim report was considered by members who expressed their thanks to the steering group for the work done so far. It was agreed that the next step was to give definition to the broad requirements outlined in the report so that it could be translated into a spacial requirement for a building. It was also essential to ensure that due account had been taken of any expansion over the next 20 to 30 years. An architect could then be briefed to turn the various spaces and activities required into a concept footprint which would enable the steering group to move forward in terms of considering matters such as a site, planning, cost and the overall feasibility of the project.</p>
17/68	<p><b>Reports from Outside Bodies:</b>  <b>Citizens Advice:</b> There had been no further meeting but members noted that the organisation would be recruiting a new Chairman.  <b>AVALC.</b> The next meeting would be held on March 13th.</p>

17/69	<p><b>Administration, Finance and Payments for Signature.</b>  <b>Payments for signature:</b> Members noted the payment listing totalling £25,744.05 and RESOLVED to authorise the cheque payments to be signed by two councillors.  <b>Social Media:</b> Members considered a report from the Clerk on the need to review current arrangements, particularly for facebook. RESOLVED that Cllrs. Slevin and Castle would be delegated to prepare a report on social media in general.  <b>Strategy Meeting:</b> A date would be finalised for the meeting to be held in January.</p>
17/70	<p><b>Antisocial Behaviour:</b> Fewer incidents had been reported in recent weeks although yet again there had been damage to park furniture. As it was now winter, the remaining temporary soft wood furniture would be removed and in the spring replaced by more durable hardwood items to be made from timber generated by the initial tree works. It was important that residents continue to report incidents of antisocial behaviour so that it remained a priority for the local police and the Clerk was asked to ensure that the police report again to Council at the earliest opportunity.</p>
17/71	<p><b>Correspondence:</b>  <b>Lions.</b> Members noted a letter of thanks from the club for use of the park on bonfire night.  <b>Men in Shed.</b> The Clerk reported that the group had asked the council to endorse an application for a grant from the New Homes Bonus scheme and it was RESOLVED that the chairman duly sign the application.</p>
	<p><b>Items For Information:</b>  <b>Mayors Activities:</b>  The Mayor took part in the Remembrance Day Parade and laid a wreath on behalf of the Council, attended the Provincial Grand Lodge Remembrance Sunday Lunch, the light switch on at the town's Christmas Fayre, judged the Best Shop Window Christmas Display (winner: The Farm Deli) and attended the Prime Stock Market.</p>
	<p>Meeting Closed 8:16 pm.</p> <p>Signed: ..... (Chairman) at Meeting ..... (date)</p>