



## WINCANTON TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019 IN THE TOWN HALL

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**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** One

**MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL PRESS:** None

**PROPER OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE:** Sam Atherton, Town Clerk

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors Shelbourn Barrow (Chair), Cook, (Vice-Chairman), Walters, Hearne, McLarnon, Vagg, Eadington, Galitzine, Hinks, Tudgay, Old, Greening and Thomas.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A resident asked why the photographs of previous Mayor's have been removed from the Town Hall wall. The Chair explained photographs of the new Councillors are replacing them.

#### **0705 APOLOGIES**

Councillor Rodgers.

#### **0706 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

#### **0707 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (minutes 0690-0704). On a proposal from Councillor Thomas, seconded by Councillor Hinks, Council voted to amend minute 0700 on the draft copy. Vote: 9 for, 0 against, 4 abstained. The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### **0708 PLANNING:**

##### **Application observations**

19/02918/TPO Application to carry out tree works to 1 no beech tree as shown within the WRD (WINC 1) 1971 Tree Preservation Order. Confirmed 15.09.19. Hill House Cottage, Bayford Hill. No observations.

##### **Application recommended for Refusal**

19/01550/REM Reserves matters application for the erection of 23 dwellings with associated works. Land at Dancing Lane. On a proposal from Councillor Vagg, seconded by Councillor Galitzine, Council voted to recommend refusal. Vote: 12 for, 1 against. Council remain concerned about this application and request you look closely at the storm water drainage. Council have concerns about the aesthetic value, namely more tree planting and architectural improvement. Is there any carbon neutral responsibility to this build?

**Planning decision appeal**

18/03523/OUT Outline application for residential development of up to 4 dwellings. Land south of Shatterwell Villas, Shatterwell Lane.

**0709 PUBLIC WORKS LOAN**

Delayed until the next agenda.

**0710 OPEN SPACES REPORT**

Councillor Greening talked about the clearing work at Wrixon's View. The Clerk informed Council the Cale Park Committee meeting had been cancelled. Work is being carried out on the trees at Waterside and the car park area will be tarmacked soon.

**0711 CHEQUE LIST**

On a proposal from Councillor Thomas and seconded by Councillor Tudgay, the cheque list was approved. Councillors Walters and Hinks will sign the cheques Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

**0712 WINCANTON FOR THE FUTURE**

The Chair talked about the successful meeting earlier that day. Due to Purdah, the meeting scheduled for Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019 has been moved to Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020. The group are working on a draft strategy for the Town and will bring to Council when complete. There will be pop up consultations for residents in the Town.

**0713 THE WORD COMMUNITY MAGAZINE**

Council confirmed the next article to be submitted would be a short article about Councillor Vagg. The Chair will write an article on the regeneration and car parking charges and submit for the Christmas edition.

**0714 CLIMATE EMERGENCY PLAN**

The Clerk had received a petition requesting the Town Council to declare a climate and ecological emergency. The Chair talked about aligning the 3 groups in the Town and asked for a working group within the Council to join Councillor Greening. Councillors Shelbourn Barrow and Tudgay volunteered. Councillor Tudgay requested the word emergency be taken out of the working group title. Council agreed.

**0715 WINCANTON STRATEGY PLAN**

Council nominated Councillor Vagg to join Councillor Galitzine as the second Councillor to attend meetings if required.

**0716 CHRISTMAS**

The Chair asked Councillors if they would like to get together with families and staff before the Christmas break. After discussion, it was agreed Councillors would either meet after the meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019, or at the awards evening on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019. To be confirmed. The Chair will contact the Chamber of Commerce to organise an event for businesses to get to know the Council.

**0717 WINCANTON TOWN COUNCIL**

After discussion, it was agreed the Chairman will contact SALC to arrange training for January/February 2020.

**0718 CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
<p>Invitation to tender for the grass cutting and grounds maintenance contract for Bruton Town Council.</p> <p>Email from Somerset Highways informing the Clerk the gullies are on a 4 yearly routine and are not due to be cleaned until October 2021.</p> <p>Temporary Road Closure of Moor Lane. The order becomes effective on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and will last for one day.</p> <p>Residents email asking what Act of Parliament SSDC are using to charge for car parks</p> <p>Email confirmation for the booking of King Arthurs School hall for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019.</p> <p>Letter from Highways England regarding the resurfacing at Sparkford roundabout starting 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019.</p> <p>Email informing Council the 20mph scheme is on hold pending conclusion and completion of a developer's works.</p> <p>The Clerk informed Council of the South Somerset Town Clerks meeting with the SSDC Chief Executive on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019</p>	<p>Council agreed not to tender due to the current workload.</p> <p>Council asked the Clerk to write to the County Councillor to ask if anything can be done to get the gullies cleaned.</p> <p>Council agreed to ask the resident to contact SSDC direct.</p> <p>Report to follow.</p>

**0719 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

None

The meeting ended at 9:05pm

Signed .....

Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019