

Minutes of the Town Management Committee Meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday 10th March 2022 at 7.00pm

Present St Michael's Ward

St Paul's Ward

Cllr T McCollum (Chairman) Cllr A Proszowska Cllr K Cloke Cllr R Coombs

In attendance

Heloise Marlow, Deputy Clerk Cllr S Sexton

- 21/50/TM Apologies for absence Cllr D Munge (personal reasons)
- 21/51/TM Declarations of Interests None
- **21/52/TM Dispensations** There were no requests for, or grants of dispensations made by the Town Clerk in relation to the business of the meeting.
- **21/53/TM Public Question Time for items on the agenda** There were no public questions.
- 21/54/TM Minutes of the Town Management Committee held on 10th February 2022. <u>Members RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Town</u> <u>Management Committee meeting held on the 10th February 2022.</u> Proposed by Cllr Cloke and seconded by Cllr Coombs. For 3, Against 0, Abstentions 1.

Cllr McCollum provided an update regarding the upgrading of the Towns CCTV to include costings which were within the budget already agreed.

21/55/TM Reports from the Market Working Group, Queen's Platinum Jubilee Working Group and the Christmas Lights Working Group Cllr Cloke provided a report from the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Working Group – <u>see attached</u>.



<u>Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council</u> that the following members be added to the group: Jenny Lane, Jason Hannay, Fran Keene, Kirsty Jones, Iain parks, Vikky Sparks and Lucy Knight.

Proposed by Clir McCollum and seconded by Clir Cloke. <u>Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council</u> for the QPJWG to use a separate email address and Facebook page

to advertise the event.

Proposed by Cllr Cloke and seconded by Cllr Proszowska.

<u>Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full</u> Council to issue the press release as set out in the report to go out

in the Midweek Herald, Nub News and the Honiton & Village News. Proposed by Clir Proszowska and seconded by Clir Cloke.

Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council that the Clerk or Deputy Clerk (in consultation with the QJWG)

applies for the relevant Premises Licences for the High Street, Events Licences for Allhallows and also PRS licence for both sites if required.

Proposed by Cllr Cloke and seconded by Cllr Proszowska. <u>Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council</u> to agree the sponsorship packages letter.

Proposed by Cllr McCollum and seconded by Cllr Cloke. Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council that a Beacon be purchased at a cost of £500 for the Queen's Jubilee.

Proposed by Clir Cloke and seconded by Clir Proszowska.

Report from Market Working Group – <u>attached</u>

Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council that Trudi Steer be employed to promote the market on social media

Proposed by Clir McCollum and seconded by Clir Cloke

Members RESOLVED unanimously to Recommend to Full Council that Clir J Furneaux-Gotch be added as a member of the Market Working Group. Proposed by Clir Proszowska and seconded by Clir Coombs.

21/56/TM Community Asset and Planning Application: Cattle Market Site The Deputy Clerk provided an update and advised that the appeal regarding application 20/2410/MFUL – Honiton Cattle Market, Silver Street, Honiton would be re-determined following an inquiry. Any further representations had to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate by 31st March 2022. Members discussed re-submitting a



new application for the Cattle Market to be considered as a Community Asset.

Members discussed planning application 20/2410/MFUL – Honiton Cattle Market, Silver Street, Honiton. Members raised the following as objections to the application

- Access to the development, in particular the access along Silver Street is considered to be unsatisfactory and dangerous to pedestrians, school children and users of adjacent leisure facilities. This is because the road is extremely narrow and there are no pavements along the majority of the highway. The risks to the safety of pedestrians, school children and the users of the adjacent leisure facilities were recognised by Devon County Council when they installed 20mph road signs.
- There is no need for the development in Honiton, as there are several existing retirement properties in Honiton, which have yet to be fully occupied.
- The development would have an adverse effect on adjoining listed and old buildings, namely the remaining buildings from All Hallows School and St Paul's Church.
- The site is employment land, and the development is in breach of planning policies relating to the loss of employment land Strategy 32 of the East Devon Local Plan 2013 2031. Whilst it may be the case that currently the site does not provide any employment as the collection centre has now closed, the site could still be developed as employment land rather than for residential use and the applicant has not complied with the conditions set out in Strategy 32 which would allow it's change of use.
- The sales office dates back to 1910 as evidenced by the date stone on the building. Whilst the building is just outside the Honiton Conservation Area, Members were of the view that this should be protected and not demolished.
- The site is unsuitable for retirement living as it is adjacent to a secondary school and a primary school, and public playing fields. The users of these facilities generate traffic, pollution and noise which would adversely impact on the amenity of the development's residents.
- There are trees bordering the site which would be adversely affected by the development.
- The development would increase the strain on existing health services provided by the NHS. However, if the development were to be granted Members support the contribution requested by the Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Foundation Trust.



Members RESOLVED unanimously to recommend to Full Council that a further letter of objection be sent to the Planning Inspectorate to be drafted by the Deputy Town Clerk in consultation with members of the Town Management Committee. Proposed by Clir Cloke and seconded by Clir McCollum.

Members discussed re-submitting an application for the Cattle Market to be designated a Community Asset and agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting.

21/57/TM Update Report

Cllr McCollum provided an update regarding:

• War Memorial

Cllr McCollum and Cllr Cloke had met with Mr P Shaw of the Royal British Legion who had provided recommendations of companies who might be able to assist with the work required. Cllr McCollum has contacted the most local company and is wating to receive a response. Cllr Cloke would be contacting Axminster Town Council for advice also.

• Charter Day

Committee meeting minutes had been provided and Cllr McCollum was assisting with regards to the proposed road closure.

• Meeting with NMTF

Had been planned for 2nd April but this was being re-arranged as it clashed with the Spring market day and YES 1. New date to be agreed.

21/58/TM To close the meeting

The meeting was closed at 8.15pm.