

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 8.05PM ON MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2016 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs S Horsman

Cllrs: M Beanland, L Berry, L A Clarke, L Podmore, Mrs J Sewart, G Smith and N Wylie

Opening Prayer

36. Questions to the Mayor

Mr Chris Beard (Elm Beds Road, Poynton) introduced Mr John Dines (Congleton) and Mr Harry Carlisle (Rainow) of the Cheshire Village Great War Society to the meeting. Mr Carlisle spoke on the work of the Cheshire Village Great War Society which features World War I exhibitions of nominated villages. To date the organisation has held exhibitions in various locations including Macclesfield, Congleton and Sandbach. The Cheshire Village Great War Society have received a request from the Salvation Army for an exhibition to be held in Poynton. Each exhibition features the village identified and honours the men from that town. The local community is involved in the event, including the catering and admission is free. The only requirement and request is for a venue to host the event. Mr Carlisle requested use of the Civic Hall to hold a one day exhibition in Poynton during April/May 2017.

RESOLVED: That the use of the Civic Hall for a one day exhibition by Cheshire Village Great War Society is approved. That the Cheshire Village Great War Society and Mr Carlisle liaise with the Poynton Town Clerk to agree a date for the exhibition (NC)

37. Apologies for absence

Cllrs C Gorst, Mrs S-J Gilmore, G King, Mrs T Lorde, T Holbrook, I Hollingworth, R Horsman-Johnson, H Murray, Mrs J Saunders and M Sewart.

38. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

None.

39. Approve previous meeting minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 5th September 2016 are approved as an accurate record (5 for, 3 abstentions)

It was proposed that the agenda is amended and Item 6 considered ahead of Item 5.

RESOLVED: That agenda is amended and Item 6 considered ahead of Item 5 (NC)

40. Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Podmore proposed acceptance of the Pre-Submission version of the Poynton Neighbourhood Plan and submission of the plan for the required statutory six week consultation.

RESOLVED: That the Pre-Submission version of the Poynton Neighbourhood Plan and submission of the plan for the required statutory six week consultation is approved (NC)

41. Mayor's Engagements/Announcements

As attached.

The Mayor confirmed that the Mayor's Charity is Ollie's Army Battling Batten Disease.

RESOLVED: That the report is received (NC)

42. Internal Audit report for 2015/16

The Clerk spoke on actions noted on the Internal Audit report for 2015/16 by JDH Business Services Ltd.

RESOLVED: That the Internal Audit report for 2015/16 by JDH Business Services Ltd is received. That the actions detailed are implemented (NC)

43. Section Three of the Annual Return

The Clerk was requested to publish a notice of the conclusion of the audit in the PUN.

RESOLVED: That section three of the Annual Return, the external auditor certificate and issues arising report, together with a covering letter from BDO LLP, the external auditor and the resulting action plan is received. That a notice of the conclusion of the audit is published in the PUN (NC)

44. Town Council's Risk Assessment for 2016/17

Members reviewed the Town Council's Risk Assessment for 2016/17 and the following points from the report were noted:

- That regular hirers of the Civic Hall facilities have continued consistently.
- That the Clerk and Deputy Clerk are in the process of CiLCA registration. The Clerk has committed to completion of the CiLCA qualification by the end of April 2017.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council's Risk Assessment for 2016/17 is received (NC)

45. Receive and adopt the Minutes of Committees

The following minutes of committees were received and adopted:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting held on 11th July 2016 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 15th August 2016 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 5th September 2016 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

The meeting concluded: 8.50pm