

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 8.15PM ON MONDAY
8TH OCTOBER 2018 AT THE CIVIC HALL, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs S-J Gilmore

Cllrs: M Beanland, L Berry, L A Clarke, C Gorst, G King, T Holbrook, I Hollingworth, Mrs S Horsman, Mrs R Horsman-Johnson, L Podmore, Mrs J Saunders.

Officers in attendance: L Osborn (Town Clerk) and T Juss (Minute Taker)

Opening Prayer

31. Anyone attending or present at the Committee meeting declares that they are making, or intend to make, an audio recording or film the meeting

The shorthand assistant confirmed that the meeting is recorded for the purposes of minute taking and the recording is deleted within a week when the draft minutes are produced. There were no other declarations of a recording of the meeting.

32. Questions from members of the public

The Town Council received an address from Susan Warrington, the Chair of the Twinning Association. During the recent visit to Haybes the Twinning Association presented two suitably engraved altar candles. Susan Warrington asked the Town Council if they remain in support of the Twinning Association with affirmation that the Town Council are keen to expand their relationship with Haybes.

Cllr Beanland noted the warm hospitality, excellent civic reception and the attachment of Haybes with Stockport. The relationship means a lot to the Town Council. This is a very meaningful twinning arrangement and he thanked all those who have funded their visits to Haybes.

The Mayor confirmed that the Town Council are very supportive of the twinning association. It was confirmed that there is a budget line for the twinning association and the hospitality will be reciprocated when they visit Poynton.

The gifts from the twinning association of Haybes were on display at the meeting. The Boar is a significant symbol of the Ardenne, this is presented on a slate and it commemorates the mining heritage of Stockport.

33. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Mrs T Lorde, Mrs J Sewart, M Sewart and Mrs N Wylie.

34. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

None.

35. Approve the minutes of the Annual Town Council meeting held on 18th June 2018.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 18th June 2018 are approved as an accurate record (8 for, 4 abstentions)

36. Receive and note the Mayor's and Deputy Mayor's engagements/ announcements.

RESOLVED: That the report is received with thanks (NC)

37. Receive and note a verbal report about the Twinning Association of Poynton from Cllrs Sarah-Jane Gilmore and Mike Beanland.

Cllr Mrs Gilmore provided the following report:

I was delighted to be able to visit Haybes in August 2018 in my role as Publicity Officer for the Twinning Association, and also as Mayor of Poynton. We joined the community of Haybes in their commemorations of the end of the First World War. There was a packed itinerary for the group including several events where the Twinning Association and I represented Poynton.

After dinner on Friday there was a torchlit procession beside the river Meuse to the memorial stone where the Chairman of TAP and the Mayor of Haybes laid wreaths in honour of villagers killed there. On Saturday, we visited Charleville-Mezieres and a fabulous lunch was provided by our kind hosts. In the evening, we attended the 'Son et Lumiere Spectacular' at Domaine de Moraypré which included choral concerts and a showing of the film 'The Destruction of a French Village', a sobering reminder of what Haybes went through in the war.

On Sunday, we attended Mass and laid wreaths at the Monument to the Dead where I delivered a speech, in French, to the assembled town on behalf of Poynton and the Twinning Association. We then processed to Domaine de Moraypré for a reception. Our final evening in Haybes, began with a reception at the beautiful Town Hall where we exchanged gifts between our towns and the Twinning Associations. We then enjoyed a meal with our hosts at Ermitage Moulin Labotte.

On Monday, we travelled home, visiting Vimy Ridge and the Canadian War Museum en route. We are immensely grateful to The Mayor of Haybes, M. Benoit Sonnet, and representatives from the local community and the Twinning Committee for their incredible hospitality to the group throughout their stay. The Twinning Association is looking forward to continuing to work with local groups and schools to forge links with Haybes, to progress our friendship. Please have a look at the photos in the album Haybes 2018 on the TAP and Poynton Town

Mayor facebook. For the avoidance of doubt, all attendees paid for their own trips including transport, accommodation and food/drink.

RESOLVED: That the verbal report about the Twinning Association of Poynton from Cllrs Sarah-Jane Gilmore and Mike Beanland is received (NC)

38. Receive and note a verbal report about the Poynton-with-Worth almshouses from Cllr Charles Gorst

Cllr Gorst provided the following verbal report about the Poynton-with-Worth almshouses outlining the history of the almshouses which are an asset of Poynton provided by Lord Vernon. There are six almshouses in Poynton and they were erected in 1844. The houses enable independent living for the elderly and are located in the centre of the village within easy access of local amenities.

RESOLVED: That the verbal report about the Poynton-with-Worth almshouses from Cllr Charles Gorst is received (NC)

39. Receive and note the Town Council's completed annual governance and accountability return for 2017/18 and the completion letter, external auditor report and certificate 2017/18 from PKF Littlejohn LLP, the Town Council's external auditor.

The Clerk spoke on the Town Council's completed annual governance and accountability return for 2017/18 and the completion letter, external auditor report and certificate 2017/18 from PKF Littlejohn LLP, the Town Council's external auditor. All regulatory matters have been met. There have been no requests received in response to the public inspection.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council's completed annual governance and accountability return for 2017/18 and the completion letter, external auditor report and certificate 2017/18 from PKF Littlejohn LLP, the Town Council's external auditor is received (NC)

40. Receive and adopt the minutes of Standing Committees:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community, Order and Public Safety committee meeting held on 26th March 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council with the amendment that page 267 is moved to the Part 1 (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community, Order and Public Safety committee meeting held on 2nd July 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Management and Establishment committee meeting held on 16th April 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Management and Establishment committee meeting held on 9th July 018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development committee meeting held on 23rd April 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting held on 21st May 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting held on 4th June 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 11th June 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 2nd July 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 30th July 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 3rd September 2018 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted by full Council (NC)

41. Consider and agree any communication messages arising from this meeting

- Publicise the opening of the A6 to Manchester Airport Relief Road (A6 MARR).

RESOLVED: That the communication message as stated is agreed (NC)

Meeting end time: 8.40pm

Chair.....

Dated.....