

# Sandy Town Council

## **Minutes of a meeting of the Community Services and Environment Committee of Sandy Town Council held in the Council Chamber at 10 Cambridge Road, Sandy, Bedfordshire on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 commencing at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs N Aldis, T Cole, A M Hill, T Knagg, C Osborne, M Scott, J Sparrow, S Sutton (Chair) and Cllr C Maudlin (CBC)

**Absent:** Cllrs G Leach

**In Attendance:** Cllr P Blaine, Mr C Robson (Clerk), Mrs C Baker-Smith (Admin Team Leader) and Mr R Sparks (RBL)

### **Action**

- 1 **Apologies for absence (1-2017/18)**  
Cllrs G Leach and M Pettitt.
- 2 **Declarations of interest (2-2017/18)**
  - i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – None
  - ii) Non-disclosable Interests – None
  - iii) Dispensations – None
- 3 **Election of Vice Chair (3-2017/18)**  
**RESOLVED** to elect Cllr J Sparrow as Vice Chair for the municipal year 2017/18.
- 4 **Minutes of previous meeting (4-2017/18)**  
**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Community Services and Environment Committee held on Monday 24 April 2017 as a correct record of proceedings.
- 5 **Public Participation Session (5-2017/18)**  
The Chair stated that she would take Item 8 on the Agenda next as Mr Sparks wished to be present for this item and had to leave early.
- 6 **A Nations Tribute 11 November 2018 (6-2017/18)**  
Mr Sparks stated that the Royal British Legion wished to support the event but could not organise the same, as they would be busy co-ordinating the Remembrance Day Parade and activities. Cllr Hill stated that he would be organising activities for the day for the visitors from abroad. Cllr Cole supported the event. Cllr Osborne suggested that as the Scouts were involved in the Queen's celebrations last time where the beacon was lit, they should be invited to be involved with this event. Cllr Scott said that the Scouts were holding the beacon and gas from the previous event. He also

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said that the church should be involved this time by giving a service or prayer at the beacon lighting.

It was proposed and seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Town Council support the event and register their interest with NALC.

Town Clerk

## 7 **Action list (7-2017/18)**

Engayne Avenue Estate (including Winchester & Dapifer Roads):

CBC Cllr Maudlin stated that CBC had obtained £70,000 for this area's refurbishment. She also said that she had attended meetings with Aragon Housing recently and CBC were working on other projects for the area and an overall plan was to be devised and discussed with Aragon Housing. A consultation with residents to be set up for them to put forward ideas for the area. All of this information would go to an Aragon Housing board meeting in September. A member suggested that land in the area be sold to for development to generate more money. It was stated that there would be no S106 money for affordable housing.

Town Clerk

A member asked that the Community Plan be included on the Action List for the next meeting.

Bus Shelter in Fallowfield: The Clerk stated that this would be brought forward to the next meeting.

Beeston Green Orchard/Allotments: The Clerk stated that the Council's Draft Beeston Green Management plan would be available to residents for comment/consultation at the Open Gardens Day on the 11 June.

Fingerpost Signs – Market Regeneration: The Clerk stated that he would be meeting with Ringway Jacobs this week and expected to receive a design and costings report by the end of June.

Parking Restrictions: The Clerk had chased CBC again regarding a review of parking in Sandy.

The other items on the Action List were noted.

## 8 **Tree Charter Legacy Tree (8-2017/18)**

Members considered the request to become a Charter Branch and it was proposed and seconded and **RESOLVED** to register with NALC to become a Charter Branch.

Town Clerk

## 9 **Community Emergency Plan (9-2017/18)**

The Clerk's report was received and noted. The Clerk stated that

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letters had been sent out to groups, schools and organisations in Sandy but had not received a great response. A member asked where would the centre of operation be and the Clerk said that an appropriate building would be identified depending on the emergency. Various additions and alterations were made to the draft plan and these would be incorporated in the final draft. A member stated that sandbags are not used now and water vessels are used. The Clerk will investigate what is now used with Central Beds Council.

Town  
Clerk

## 10 **Sandy Town Guide (10-2017/18)**

The quote was received and noted. Members discussed the quote. Some members thought it old fashioned to produce a hard copy guide and the information was available on the Council website. Another member said that the older generation do not have access to computers. Other members thought it expensive to be delivered to 5,000 households as it would not be read and discarded. A member said that the guides could be placed in the council offices, local hotels, in public buildings such as libraries, estate agents etc to publicise Sandy.

It was proposed and seconded to **RESOLVE TO RECOMMEND** that the guide is produced but not delivered to 5,000 households in Sandy and a new quote be sought, that a Working Group is set up to write the copy for the guide and that it is put forward for next year's estimates.

Town  
Clerk/  
Members

## 11 **Mobile CCTV (11-2017/18)**

The Clerk's report was received and noted and it was proposed and seconded to **RESOLVE** that the mobile CCTV camera be located on the CBC owned street light column located in Osprey Close.

Town  
Clerk

## 12 **73 Bus Service Subsidy (12-2017/18)**

The Clerk's report was received and noted and it was proposed and seconded to **RESOLVE** that CBC Cllr Maudlin investigate whether any other organisations would be interested and what the true costs would be.

Cllr  
Maudlin

## 13 **Chair's Items (13-2017/18)**

The Chair reported that the playpark consultation had taken place and the replies had been analysed. CBC were drawing up draft tender documents based on the consultation and further information would come to committee following this.

## 14 **Date of Next Meeting (14-2017/18)**

Monday 17th July 2017

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