

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

28th July 2020

This meeting was a video conference call.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs.P.Morrow (Mayor)
Mrs.S.Bhose
A.Biggs
Mrs.L.Clark
Mrs.T.B.Coombs
Mrs.L.Dedden
S Flower
S.Gibson
Mrs.S.Grove
P.J.Mann
M.Parker
Mrs.S.Rose
Ms.J.Russell
M Thorpe

Apologies from Cllrs: M.Hudson, Miss B.Salmon & Miss.K.Stephens

In attendance:- Mrs.V.J.Bright, Town Clerk & Mrs J.Se bire, Assistant Town Clerk

Public: 4

375/19 Declaration of Interests.

None.

376/19 Minutes of the Meeting held 23rd June 2020 as circulated, were confirmed and signed.

377/19 Policing.

A report was circulated to all members which included crime figures and a set of heat maps which highlighted problem areas. Discussion took place regarding anti-social behaviour and it was suggested that the Town Clerk request a Police presence at the next Full Council meeting.

378/19 Clerk's Report

a) **Residents' enquiries and complaints** were copied to all members and were noted. Graffiti at Verwood Recreation Ground was discussed and it was confirmed that the Town Council was aware of the problem and removal was in hand.

379/19 The Reports of the Plans Consultative Committee meetings held 1st July & 22nd July 2020 as circulated, were confirmed, adopted and signed.

380/19 The Report of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held 7th July 2020 as circulated, was adopted, and signed after the following recommendation, 365/19 was amended to add the word 'Respect' in place of the word 'Civility' in the Code of Conduct.

381/19 Purple Haze Quarry Public Consultation.

Information on the consultation had been copied to all Members. Discussion took place regarding reports from Dorset Council, East Dorset Environment Panel and Friends of Ringwood Forest. After discussion it was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that Councillors S Flower, S Gibson and P Mann are delegated to meet to construct a response by the Town Council.

382/19 Verwood Youth Centre.

A report was circulated outlining the survey report, an activity update and future plans for the Youth Centre building. Following two recommendations by the working party it was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that a) Verwood Town Council apply for planning permission for a new pedestrian access from Margards Lane and upgrade an existing emergency door to be able to access. and (b) that Verwood Town Council begin the process of appointing a Youth Worker.

383/19 Report from the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

A short report was given on the opening today of the Teen Area in Doorstep Green at Three Legged Cross.

384/19 Report of Representatives on Other Bodies.

- a) **Rural Services Network** it was reported that comments on the Rural Services Network response are required by Thursday 23rd July.
- b) **Verwood Heritage Centre** information was given that the Heritage Centre will be opening from 6th August, three days per week (Thursday, Friday and Saturday).
- c) **Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils** information was given that the DAPTC Eastern meeting was taking place this evening and information will be forwarded in due course once the minutes were sent.

385/19 Internet Councillor

No Report

386/19 Press & P R Councillor

No Report

387/19 Reports of the Dorset Council Councillors.

No formal report as there have been regular updates from Dorset Council newsletter.

388/19 Accounts.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that the accounts £117,249.72 for July 2020 were approved for payment.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.52 p.m.

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Mayor