

# Highworth



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E&L29.

### MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE MEETING 5 MARCH 2019

#### PRESENT

Councillor (Mrs) L Vardy (In the Chair)

Councillor: P Adams  
A Bishop  
(Mrs) J Bishop  
(Mrs) J Clark  
G Edwards  
N Gardiner  
K Smith  
S Weisinger

#### IN ATTENDANCE

5 Members of the Public, Matthew Lloyd (Community Fibre Partnerships team for Openreach) and Gary Laken (Wrde Up Music Festival Committee Member)

#### APOLOGIES

58. Councillors R Acres, (Mrs) A H Livall, (Mrs) A Durrant, (Mrs) M Penny and (Mrs) P Webster



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## **MOBILE PHONES**

59. Reminder to Councillors and Public that Mobile Phones should be silenced.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

60. None.

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

61. **RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING (E&L) HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2019 BE ADOPTED AND SIGNED.** The Minutes were duly signed.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

62. None.

## **HIGH SPEED BROADBAND**

63. Matthew Lloyd (Community Fibre Partnerships team for Openreach) gave a detailed presentation on community fibre and what is available within Highworth. The Government wants the UK fully fibred by 2033. Mr Lloyd confirmed the majority of cabinets in Highworth have been upgraded from adsl to vdsl plus fibre to cabinet.

A handful of houses have exchange only lines which means there is nothing to upgrade as the lines go direct from the exchange to the household. A way to upgrade would be to put in a new cabinet and have the households go through the cabinet allowing fibre or to have the fibre from the exchange to a node allowing fibre to the premises with a connection in the household. There is government funding available for this type of upgrade. If interested visit [www.communityfibre.openreach.co.uk](http://www.communityfibre.openreach.co.uk) and leave household location and contact details and an indicative cost can be given.

## **WRDE UP MUSIC FESTIVAL – ACCOUNTS YEAR 2018**

64. Councillors unanimously agreed to accept the 2018 accounts and to support the 2019 event with £1000. A copy of the accounts will be circulated to all Councillors.

## **WRDE UP MUSIC FESTIVAL – REQUEST TO USE LOWER REC**

65. Permission was granted for Wrde Up Music Festival to take place on Saturday 6 July 2019 at the Lower Rec adjacent to the Junior Football Pavilion.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

66. None.

## **MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

67. a. Councillor S Weisinger:
- The Clerk has received a reply from David Renard's assistant advising he would reply in due course.
  - Councillors unanimously agreed for Councillor (Mrs) M Penny to represent Highworth Town Council on the Honda task force at Swindon Borough Council.
- b. Councillor N Gardiner: The next community litter pick is scheduled to take place on Saturday 30 March 2019, meeting at Highworth Council Offices – time to be confirmed.

- c. Councillor P Adams: The paperwork required for the skate park has been submitted to Swindon Borough Council. Quotations for works are due soon from 2 companies.
- d. Councillor (Mrs) L Vardy: Councillors are requested to go to Highworth Upper Rec and look at the works that have been completed by Highworth Town Football. The entrance to the pavilion is closed off and provides entry to a completely enclosed football ground. The current permission is for a temporary fence that is taken down at the end of the football season. An extra-ordinary Environment & Leisure meeting will be held on Tuesday 26 March 2019 and representatives from Highworth Town Football Club are welcome to attend.

**Meeting closed at 8.20 pm.**