



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HIGHWORTH TOWN COUNCIL 19 FEBRUARY 2019

PRESENT

Councillor (Mrs) J H Bishop (In the Chair)

Councillors: R Acres
P Adams
A Bishop
(Mrs) J Clark
N Gardiner
K Smith
(Mrs) M Penny
S Weisinger

IN ATTENDANCE

One Member of the Public.

APOLOGIES

75. Councillors (Mrs) A Durrant, (Mrs) A H Livall, (Mrs) L Vardy, G Edwards and (Mrs) P Webster.
Thomas Fryszka from the Police sent his apologies as he is unable to attend this evening.



Highworth is a Fair Trade Town



Twinned with Wassenberg



Twinned with Pontorson

MOBILE PHONES

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

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (10 Minutes Limit)

77. None

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

78. Councillor N Gardiner declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Agenda Item 'The Link'.

MINUTES OF MEETING

79. **RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 JANUARY 2019 BE ADOPTED AND SIGNED.** The Minutes were duly signed.

MATTERS ARISING

80. a. Minute 66a. The Skatepark Group is meeting two companies in the coming week to get costings, they have one estimate already.
- b. Minute 66b. A telephone call has been received from a representative of Cashzone. The Company is working on replacing the cash machine at the Co-op and will keep us updated. The Company is to be asked if another machine can be located in the High Street.

LINK MAGAZINE

81. Councillors have requested that a link to the Town Council Website Minutes be included in the Link Magazine to make it easier for any interested residents to view them.

REPORTS BY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

82. a. Councillor (Mrs) M Penny – Councillor Penny reported that:-
- Bus Services and Bus Stops - she has been in contact with Stage Coach for when the Aldi store is completed. Stage Coach has suggested putting a stop within the Aldi car park rather than on the road. A suggested change of route for the no.7 bus has been resisted by the Company, but they have suggested the 77 from Lechlade may be able to fill this void. Sadly this service does not run often enough to be of any use to shoppers – there are only two per day. She is to continue to try to find a solution.

- Large Traffic Signs – She has asked for these to be cleaned after noticing that some of the signs leading into Highworth are quite dirty.
 - Wroughton is getting a cycle path (from Royal Wootton Bassett to Transfer Bridges) so she has reopened the conversation with SBC about how this could be bought about for Highworth, although she does not expect this to be imminent.
 - The last Councillors Surgery was cancelled due to the snow.
- b. Councillor A Bishop – provided the following report:- he has attended, and attended to -
- Two Meetings at SBC attended, Children’s Health and the SBC Planning Committee.
 - Police Crime Commissioners meeting in Chippenham.
 - Requested gullies to be cleared on the B4019 from Blunsdon to Highworth.
 - Reported a Campervan for sale on SBC land by the Cold Harbour which is distracting for motorists.
 - Requested a new door for a property in Kings Avenue. He is presuming that it has been done as he has heard nothing further.
 - Liaised with the Police regarding the issue of a Community Protection Warning to some people causing concern in the area.
- c. Councillor S Weisinger - He reported that he has attended the following meetings:-
- Scrutiny Committee,
 - Standards Committee,
 - Resources & Corporate Overview Committee,
 - Equalities,
 - Audit Committee,
 - SBC Council Meeting,
 - Stanton Fitzwarren Parish Council Meeting,
 - He also asked for the grit bins to be refilled.

CORRESPONDENCE

83. None.

QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

84. a. Councillor A Bishop. Councillors agreed to the Borough Councillors attending a meeting with the applicants of the proposed Holiday Park at Pentylands Lane (now withdrawn).

- b. Councillor (Mrs) M Penny. The Clerk is to ask Highworth Town Football Club if the toilets that they are currently building next to the Pavilion will be accessible by RADAR key.
- c. Councillor S Weisinger. The compilation of a progress report on any Council business is to be considered for future Full Council Meetings.

The Meeting closed at 7.55 pm

Councillor (Mrs) J Bishop announced that the Civic Service and celebration of the re-opening of the Church is to be held at 10.15am on Sunday 7th April 2019. To meet on the Podium.