



MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12TH OCTOBER 2015.

Present - Councillors Bostock, Bowyer-Bates, Butterill, Kirkham, Groves, Hall, Lewis, Moran and PC Marc Harley together with the Town Clerk.

In the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Councillor Lewis was elected to chair the meeting.

52. PUBLIC FORUM

Bernadette and Harrison Lunt informed Council of their application for a British Heart Foundation grant for a defibrillator to be sited at the Nat West Bank in High Street. Mrs Lunt gave several examples of how a defibrillator had been used to save lives and urged the Council to consider making an application for sites within the town. Councillors agreed to make an application for 2 defibrillators at the Market Hall and the Civic Hall. Councillor Lewis thanked Mrs Lunt and her son for their presentation.

Mr Tony Percival, Chair of Nantwich in Bloom, informed Council of the vandalism to the planters in Churchyardside and the Square during the summer. The vandalism disrupted the judging process and resulted in additional work by ANSA and the Nantwich in Bloom volunteers. Mr Percival asked if the Police could alter their beats and use CCTV to identify those responsible. PC Marc Harley stated that vandalism of this nature was criminal damage and the Police will charge people if they can be identified. CCTV colleagues will be asked to monitor late night activity in this location particularly on a Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. Councillor Groves stated that ANSA had been asked to look at securing the planters to the pavement but this was not feasible.

53. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the Mayor, Councillor Martin (Other commitment), Councillor Marren (Holiday), Councillor Simpson (Other meeting) and Councillor Bartram (Work commitment).

54. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 7TH SEPTEMBER 2015

Council **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7th September 2015 be confirmed as a correct record, approved and signed by the Mayor.

55. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors Butterill and Groves declared an interest in their capacity as Cheshire East Councillors on the Southern Planning Committee.

56. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor's report on his list of engagements from September to October was received.

Fri 4 th Sept	Attendance at Food Festival opening on Town Square
Sat 5 th Sept	Food Festival judging
Sat 5 th Sept	Attendance at St Luke's Hospice Gala Concert, St Mary's PC
Fri 11 th Sept	Attendance at Meet the Beatles+in Civic Hall
Sat 12 th Sept	Attendance at Richmond Proms
Sat 12 th Sept	Attendance at Service of Thanksgiving St Marys PC
Sun 13 th Sept	Attendance at Nantwich Players Charley's Aunt
Thurs 17 th Sept	Visit to Table Top sale in Nantwich Civic Hall

Sun 20 th Sept	Attendance at Cheshire East Mayor Cllr Hilda Gaddum Civic Service Town Hall Macclesfield
Wed 23 rd Sept	Attendance at Red Shift Radio relocation hub event
Thurs 24 th Sept	Visit to Victorian & Antique Fayre in Civic Hall Nantwich
Thurs 24 th Sept	Shopping Evening in Hospital Street, Nantwich
Sun 27 th Sept	Attendance at St Luke's Fashion Show, Cranage Hall
Sun 27 th Sept	Attendance at Nantwich Food Awards Crown Hotel.
Thurs 1 st Oct	Visit to Nantwich Market
Fri 2 nd Oct	Visit to Bischofsheim to celebrate 25 years of twinning
Sat 3 rd Oct	25 years of Unification of Germany in Frankfurt
Sat 3 rd Oct	Bischofsheim Jubilee evening celebration
Sat 3 rd Oct	Bischofsheim Twinning Anniversary dinner
Sun 4 th Oct	Bischofsheim Sunday service
Sun 4 th Oct	Visit to Hocheim re twinning

57. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

57.1. NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE - GAMBLING ACT 2005 - William Hill, 36 Pepper Street, Nantwich, CW5 5AB

William Hill is applying for a Betting premises licence under section 159 of the Gambling Act 2005 following the grant of planning permission for change of use.

Members were concerned about the proximity of this business to the other two betting offices in town and **RESOLVED** to object on the basis that an additional business cannot be sustained in Nantwich and it will harm existing business interests.

57.2. CHESHIRE EAST LOCAL PLAN STRATEGY

Cheshire East is inviting Town and Parish Councils to nominate 2 Councillors to attend a meeting with Planning Officers to discuss the candidate sites that are being considered for the Local Plan. The meeting is to be held on Wednesday 18 November at 5 00 pm at Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach.

Members **RESOLVED** to nominate Councillor Stuart Bostock.

57.3. CHALC – CLERKS & COUNCILLORS INDUCTION TRAINING SESSION

An additional session is to be held on Thursday 19th November at Crewe YMCA. The event will run from 1.30 . 4.30; there is a cost of £30 per person for member councils. Councillors Bostock, Bowyer-Bates, Hall and Kirkham agreed an interest in attending.

57.4. CHESHIRE ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS ANNUAL MEETING 2015

The Association's Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday 29 October 7-9 pm at Middlewich Civic Hall Civic Way, Middlewich.

57.5. TWO SAINTS WAY GUIDEBOOK LAUNCH AND BOOK SIGNING Monday 2 November at 6:30pm Nantwich Bookshop.

David Potts will be launching the guidebook (cost £12.99) at Nantwich Bookshop. There is a charge of £5 for the launch event.

58. PLANNING CONTROL

Council **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendations of the Clerk in respect of the applications listed and to make observations to Cheshire East with the exception of 15/4447N on which additional representations were made.

Council noted that redevelopment of the Red Lion Hotel site is proposed under 15/4447N and regretted the loss of the public house but recognized that this is a brownfield site where redevelopment is acceptable in principle. Council **RESOLVED** to express concern about the access onto Vauxhall Road and the potential ~~at~~ that could be created through the site.

59. CONFIRMATION OF POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 14 SEPTEMBER 2015

Council noted the minutes and **RESOLVED** that the Recommendations contained in the above Minutes be accepted and approved.

60. CONFIRMATION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 24 SEPTEMBER 2015

Council noted the minutes and **RESOLVED** that the Recommendations contained in the above Minutes be accepted and approved. Members noted the additional contribution of £2,500 to be granted to works at Nantwich Aqueduct to match the £2,500 from Nantwich Partnership.

61. ANNUAL RETURN FOR FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

Council noted the conclusion of the external audit and received the audit opinion of the External Auditor. Council **RESOLVED** to approve and accept the Annual Return for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2015.

62. STREET CLEANSING IN NANTWICH TOWN CENTRE

Councillor Arthur Moran raised the continuing problems associated with the litter, cigarette ends and discarded food outside takeaway establishments on Swinemarket and Welsh Row. The businesses do not clean the pavements outside their premises. Council **RESOLVED** to write to Cheshire East Licensing regarding possible enforcement through the licences. The issue of control over street cleansing will also be added to the next meeting of Policy Committee.

63. CONFIRMATION OF POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 22 JUNE 2015

Council noted the minutes and **RESOLVED** that the Recommendations contained in the above Minutes be accepted and approved.

64. CONFIRMATION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 25 JUNE 2015

Council noted the minutes and **RESOLVED** that the other Recommendations contained in the above Minutes be accepted and approved. Council noted that the proposed loan to the Canals and Rivers Trust had not been taken up.

65. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

None.

66. NANTWICH PARTNERSHIP

Councillors Lewis and Moran reported on the Partnership's intention to develop a Public Realm Strategy in support of a detailed scheme for Church Walk. As a separate initiative detailed discussions are to be held with wildlife groups regarding work at Nantwich Lake.

67. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

None.

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