



MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11TH JANUARY 2016.

Present – Councillor Martin (Mayor) and Councillors Bartram, Bowyer-Bates, Butterill, Kirkham, Lewis, Groves, Hall, Marren, Moran and Simpson together with the Town Clerk.

93. PUBLIC FORUM

PC Matt Stonier was pleased to report lower levels of crime in Nantwich over the Christmas period with retail crime down from the previous year. An incident involving the car parking barrier at Nantwich Club had been captured on CCTV. The Police continue to have problems with customers waiting for taxis in the early hours of the morning at weekends and PC Stonier asked the Council to consider possible funding for taxi marshals. He also reported that door security staff are to carry body cameras for their own safety and to encourage netter behaviour from customers.

Councillor Butterill asked about the use of speed indicator devices. PC Stonier suggested that second device would be useful in Nantwich. He would also like to see the development of SPEEDWATCH schemes. The kit to develop a scheme costs £100 and training is given by the Police. A publicity article will be included in Talk of the Town.

Councillor Moran stated that, following Police visits, there had been an improvement outside the takeaways in Swinemarket.

The vandalism of planters in the town was again causing concern with a further incident between Christmas and New Year. A meeting between Nantwich in Bloom, the Police and ANSA will be set up. Councillor Bostock referred to the anti-social behaviour on the skate park on Barony Park. The Cheshire East CCTV camera is unfortunately out of action.

94. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Groves (Other meeting).

95. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF 14TH DECEMBER 2015

Council **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14th December 2015 be confirmed as a correct record, approved and signed by the Mayor.

96. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

Councillors Moran and Kirkham declared an interest in the planning application on Marsh Lane.

Councillors Moran and Martin declared an interest in the planning appeal on land off Audlem Road in their capacity as Brine Leas Governors.

97. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor's report on his list of engagements in December was received.

Wed 2 nd Dec	Attended over 50's Club in Civic Hall
Sat 5 th Dec	Santa's Rusty Robot at the Civic Hall
Mon 7 th Dec	Visit to St Anne's Primary School
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Wed 9 th Dec	Aqueduct Opening . Ribbon cutting and visit to Nantwich Marina

Thurs 10 th Dec	Christmas lunch with the Senior Citizens luncheon club in the Gables
Fri 11 th Dec	Attendance at Revival (Abba) event, Civic Hall.
Fri 11 th Dec	Redshift Events Family Christmas Night Out Regents Park
Sat 12 th Dec	Richmond Village - Christmas Carol Concert
Sun 13 th Dec	Lions carol service at St Mary's Church
Tues 15 th Dec	Window Dressing Competition - Judging Nantwich shop windows
Thurs 17 th Dec	Market Stall Competition - Judging the best Christmas market stall
Thurs 17 th Dec	Attendance at Players Theatre . The Vicar of Dibley Christmas
Fri 18 th Dec	Attendance at Mud concert to greet artists
Mon 21 st Dec	Presentation to Christmas Card Competition winner
Fri 25 th Dec	Helped with Christmas Lunch at Methodist Church

The Mayor referred to an event with Gold Medalist **Tessa Sanderson** on Friday 11th March 2016 for the benefit of his charities.

98. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

98.1. Nantwich Lake Car Park

Following completion of the work to the water supply pipeline Severn Trent has resurfaced the car park.

98.2. Mill Island

Cheshire East has authorised two projects affecting land on Mill Island. Both projects will take place after Holly Holy Day.

Bovis will site a small compound near the Mill race from which they will carry out the now approved Section 278 works to the signalisation of the Welsh Row/Waterlode cross roads.

Ground investigations will take place surrounding the area of the old mill basement to inform the Hydro scheme.

98.3. Tour of Britain Cycling Race 2016

Cheshire East has recently bid to host a stage of the Tour of Britain cycling race which will be held September 2016. The bid is for the start and finish of the race with all 180km being held in Cheshire East.

98.4. 15/3868N - Outline permission for Residential development for up to 104 dwellings and land for expansion of Brine Leas School - Land to the rear of 144, Audlem Road, Nantwich.

Following refusal of this application by Cheshire East the applicants have submitted an appeal.

98.5. CLLA Investment

£200,000 has been deposited with CCLA following the maturity of the Close Brothers bond.

98.6. LGA Leadership Programme

An invitation has been received from NALC for 1 Councillor to attend the LGA leadership programme at Coventry from Friday 19 February to Sunday 21 February 2016 at cost of £250.

98.7. Buckingham Place Garden Party 19 May 2016

CHALC is inviting nominations for attendance at the Garden Party on 19 May 2016. Council agreed to nominate Councillor Penny Butterill.

99. PLANNING CONTROL

Council **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendations of the Clerk in respect of the applications listed in Appendix A.

**100. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS
CHESHIRE EAST CONSULTATION ON CHILDRENS CENTRE**

Councillor Moran referred to the consultation on the future of the services currently provided at the Children's Centre in Dog Lane and the proposal to provide the services through a mobile facility. Council agreed to refer the consultation to Policy Committee.

101. NANTWICH PARTNERSHIP

The next meeting of the Partnership will be held on 1 February 2016.

102. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Lewis reported on the continuing effectiveness of the Nantwich Litter Group and in particular for their contribution after the Christmas Lights Switch-On.

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