



## **MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017.**

**Present** - Councillor Marren (Deputy Mayor) and Councillors Bartram, Bostock, Bowyer-Bates, Hall, Kirkham, Lewis, Martin, Simpson and the Town Clerk.

In the absence of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Marren, took the chair.

### **PART 1**

#### **43. PUBLIC FORUM**

The Police had tendered apologies but had reported to the Clerk that there were no incidents during the Food Festival weekend. Anti-social behaviour had declined in recent weeks. The egg throwing incident at the football ground was still being investigated.

Mr J Barthorpe made a representation regarding planning application 17/4353N for a single dwelling on land to the rear of houses in Shrewbridge Road. His concerns were the modern inappropriate design of the new dwelling and the potential for overlooking to the properties in Shrewbridge Road. Councillor Martin confirmed that the application has been called in to the Cheshire East Planning Committee.

#### **44. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from the Mayor, Councillor Butterill and Councillors Groves and Moran.

#### **45. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None.

#### **46. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING – 13 JULY 2017**

Council **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be confirmed as a correct record, approved and signed by the Deputy Mayor.

#### **47. MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor's report on her list of engagements in July, August and September was received.

Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Presentation to Rev Barry Wilson at Policy Committee
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2017	MacMillan Lunch
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2017	CANTA Welcome dinner to Students at Summer School
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Pre Nantwich Show Reception
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Nantwich Show Judging
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017	St Luke's Shop opening
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2017	Nantwich Food Festival Opening Ceremony
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept 2017	Food Festival judging
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept 2017	Food Festival reception for Macon party
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept 2017	CANTA lunch at Crewe Arms

## **48. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

### **48.1. CHALC ANNUAL MEETING**

CHALC is to hold its annual meeting on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at Middlewich. The meeting will hear motions put forward by local councils for submission to NALC in London.

Membership of the ChALC Board now changes every year with ¼ of the Board's membership standing down. Councillors have the opportunity to work with other councillors on the board. Meetings are bi-monthly with agendas of matters of importance and interest to local councils and the parish council movement generally. Any nomination should be submitted to the Chief Officer . Jackie Weaver.

### **48.2. DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING**

The meeting planned for 14 December clashes with Cheshire East Full Council. It is therefore proposed to bring the Nantwich Town Council Meeting forward to 7 December when the Mayor will offer Christmas refreshments to invited guests.

## **49. PLANNING CONTROL**

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

Council expressed particular concern about planning application 17/4353N for a single dwelling on land to the rear of houses in Shrewbridge Road and **RESOLVED** to object strongly on the grounds of inappropriate modern design in this location, potential for overlooking and loss of light to adjacent houses, inadequate access for vehicles, adverse effect on parking for adjacent properties, effect on the pedestrian route to the Riverside and harm to the view into and out of the Riverside area.

## **50. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF POLICY COMMITTEE 20 JULY 2017**

Council noted the minutes and **RESOLVED** that the Recommendations contained in the above Minutes be accepted and approved with the following amendments. In relation to item 7 Council **RESOLVED** to retain 4 plots across the 4 sites for Nantwich residents. Council also **RESOLVED** to write to adjoining parishes to invite a one-off contribution or an annual fee to be paid to the Town Council in return for allocating allotment plots to their parishioners.

## **51. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE 27 JULY 2017**

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

## **52. FIXED TERM DEPOSIT**

Council considered re-investment of funds currently on deposit with Close Brothers which are to mature shortly. Council **RESOLVED** to explore the options of investment in non-financial products to attempt to secure a better return.

## **53. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Martin reported the Cheshire East constitution is being reviewed.

## **54. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Councillor Lewis reported that the Nantwich Litter Group was still well supported with 80 to 85 members. The average turnout for each pick is 15 to 25.

Councillor Simpson reported that the North West in Bloom result was imminent and that Nantwich had been invited to the awards ceremony on 3 November.

## **PART 2**

### **55. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Council **RESOLVED** that further to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960) Council hereby excludes press and public on the grounds that the matters to be considered concern personal and financial details best considered in confidence.

### **56. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF STAFFING COMMITTEE 4 SEPTEMBER 2017**

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

That the draft consultation document on revised terms and conditions, policies and performance and development be approved

That the advertisement of the vacancy for the Halls Supervisor on the proposed terms and conditions outlined in the draft consultation document be approved.