



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON 10th OCTOBER 2019.

PRESENT: Councillors: Arthur Moran (Mayor), Stuart Bostock, Penny Butterill, David Greaves, Peter Groves, Pam Kirkham, David Marren, Carole Thomas and Stephanie Wedgwood with the Town Clerk.

Also Present: members of the public.

66. PUBLIC FORUM

66.1 There were no representatives from the Police.

66.2 Representations from members of the public.

A resident from Barony Park stood to express their support of the good news on the future plans by Everybody Leisure to improve Barony Park and asked if there was a timeline on the development. Councillor Moran advised that he had attended the Cheshire East Cabinet meeting where the proposals had been approved, advising that the proposals were not just for fencing at Barony Park, but a £2m investment. He advised that there was to be a consultation on Monday with stakeholders which would include representatives from Barony Park. The plans would be shared at the event and it is hoped that information on a timescale would be available. The resident thanked Nantwich Town Council for the support provided.

66.3 Representations from the public on planning applications - None.

66.4 Questions submitted in advance in writing - None.

67. APOLOGIES: Councillors Andrew Martin, Philip Staley, John Statham

ABSENT: none

68. DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests expressed.

69. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING - 26th SEPTEMBER 2019

Councillor Marren requested an amendment to the minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2019 under minute 60 where he had sought clarification that the new internal auditor would not be an officer of Cheshire East undertaking the audit as a part-time role, which had not been clear in the minutes.

Resolved: That subject to an amendment under minute 60 relating to a statement made by Councillor Marren the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26th September 2019 be confirmed as a correct record, approved and signed by the Mayor.

70. MAYORS REPORT

The Mayor's report on his list of engagements in May and June was received.

Fri 27th Sept	Nantwich Museum Joseph Priestley Exhibition 7pm
Wed 9th Oct	Rotary Club of Crewe and Nantwich Weaver Dinner 19.45pm Vagrants Social club

The Mayor informed members that the museum had been very busy.

71. ST. ANNE'S COMMUNITY HUB

Member considered the previously circulated information relating to the ambitions of St. Anne's Community Hub. The Clerk advised members that group were seeking written support from the Town Council to support their project which would aid in seeking future funding. Councillor Groves expressed that he was very impressed with the groups aspirations and what they want to achieve and recommended that the Town Council should provide the letter of support. Councillor Marren supported this recommendation.

Resolved: It was resolved that the Clerk provide a written letter of support to St. Anne's Community Hub

72. PLANNING CONTROL

Resolved: It was resolved that there were no objections in respect of the applications listed in Appendix A.

73. CHESHIRE EAST CONSULTATION - WASTE STRATEGY FIVE YEARLY REVIEW

Councillor Marren advised that he had already provided a response based on his knowledge and background to the service. Councillor Groves advised that he would be happy for Councillor Marren to work with the Clerk on council response due to his experience. The Clerk advised that the Town Council could delegate the task to a working group of members. Councillor Groves agreed to work with Councillor Marren and the Clerk on a response to the consultation.

Resolved: It was resolved that the Clerk with Councillors Marren and Groves would have delegated power to provide a response to the Waste Strategy consultation on behalf of the Town Council.

74. CHESHIRE EAST CONSULTATION- ECONOMIC STRATEGY

Councillor Groves advised members of the recent meeting with Cheshire East officer where information was provided on the Vitality Town Plans that were to be developed. He believed that the meeting provided reassurance from Cheshire East and suggested that the Clerk could provide a response on behalf of the Town Council.

Resolved: It was resolved that the Clerk provide a response on behalf of the Town Council.

75. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

The Mayor reported that the Cheshire East Full Council meeting next week would include the Local Transport Plan on the agenda which would include the Parking Strategy which

acknowledges the disparity in the borough of all car parks. The new strategy will cover all areas with studies being carried out. The strategy will not set the charges but the principles for charging will be made.

Councillor Peter Groves advised that he had written to the Cabinet Members at Cheshire East Andrew Ross about concerns relating to the potential loss of parking spaces at St. Anne's Lane car park. Councillor Groves suggested that this could be considered at the next meeting of the Town Council in November.

76. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Stuart Bostock advised members that Nantwich in Bloom had recently requested an allotment to re-establish plants, and after receiving the allotment are very grateful to the Town Council for a quick response.

Councillor Butterill advised members that she would be attending the North West in Bloom awards on 2 November 2019

77. ACCOUNTS AND PAMENTS

Councillor Marren recommended that future schedule of payments should be considered and approved at the Finance Committee.

Resolved: It was resolved that:

- a) The schedule of payment be approved in accordance of the previous resolution of the Town Council to use the General Power of Competence;
- b) Future schedule of payments will be considered and approved by the Finance Committee.

78. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolved: It was resolved that the press and public be excluded on the grounds that the matter to be considered concern financial details best considered in confidence.

79. INTERNAL AUDIT

Members considered the previously circulated report providing quotes for the provision of future internal audit services.

Resolved: It was resolved that JOH Business Services Ltd.

The meeting ended at 6.45pm

Signature of Chair :.....

Date :....