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Minutes of the meeting of Buildings & Civic Matters Committee of Yeovil Town Council held on Tuesday 24th May 2016 at 7.00pm in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ

Present: Cllrs R Stickland (Chairman), P Chandler, G Freeman-Bell, P Lock, T Lock.

In Attendance: S Freemantle (Deputy Town Clerk).

There were no members of the public, and no members of the press present.

CHEQUE PRESENTATION

The Chairman presented a cheque for £3,000 to Christine Buckland and Pete Nitti of Yeovil Town Band to help meet the Band's running costs. It was noted that in return, the Band performs free of charge at a number of civic and other events throughout the year, which the public are welcome to attend. Pete Nitti expressed the Band's gratitude for the sponsorship. He explained that due to hard work and dedication, the band remained in the Championship Section. The Chairman congratulated the Town Band on their success.

REPRESENTATIVE FROM AVON AND SOMERSET CONSTABULARY

PCSO Hayley Harris from Avon and Somerset Constabulary presented the Committee with an overview of the current policing situation in the one team and some of the prevalent issues. PCSO Harris also informed those present that:

- the team were planning a town centre event to encourage families into the town
- the Police and Crime Commissioner would be in the town centre on Thursday 2nd June from 9am – 11am
- that a number of beat surgeries would be taking place in Ninesprings Café and Gateway Café during the forthcoming months

7.25pm – Meeting commenced.

9/79. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Cllr F Boieangiu – attending Planning training; Cllr P Gubbins – conflicting SSDC meeting; Cllr D Recardo – annual leave; Cllr M Roper – attending Chelsea Flower Show and Cllr D Shutler – conflicting council meeting.

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies with the reasons given.

9/80. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

9/81. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 March 2016.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of previous meeting held on 22 March be signed as a correct record.

9/82. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Due to the confidential nature of the business of item 9/87 and 9/88, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s3, it is proposed to put forward a motion to exclude members of the public and press during the discussion of these items.

RESOLVED: That agenda item 9/87 and 9/88 be heard with the Public & Press excluded.

9/83. TRAFFIC CONCERNS RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY

The Chairman outlined the problems residents were facing in Matthews Road and discussion took place regarding the best course of action.

RESOLVED: (1) that the information be noted; (2) that the matter be referred to the Assistant Highway Services Manager; and (3) that the residents be advised to contact the police via the beat surgeries.

9/84. SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

The Deputy Town Clerk explained that the Speed Indicator Device (SID) for Preston Road had not been installed because it originally utilised a street lighting column which the County Council are no longer permitted to use. This is due to the weights involved with attachments and their potential effect on the stability of some street lighting columns. As there are no suitable alternative posts available in the vicinity, the Committee was asked to consider a suitable location for a dedicated stand-alone post which would be used on a regular basis for the installation of the SID. Some suggestions were made by Members, however no decision was made as it was felt that it would be prudent for the Committee to investigate alternative suitable locations and bring their suggestions back to the next meeting.

RESOLVED: (1) To note the information; and (2) That Committee Members investigate alternative suitable locations and bring suggestions to the next meeting.

9/85. OCCUPANCY RATES FOR MONMOUTH AND MILFORD HALL

The Deputy Town Clerk gave an overview of the hiring rates for the halls and identified areas where booking had increased.

RESOLVED: (1) To note the information; and (2) That the letting process of the Town Council's Community Halls be reviewed.

9/86. FINANCIAL STATEMENT – FEBRUARY/MARCH 2016

To consider the Financial Statement for the period 1 February to 31 March 2016.

RESOLVED: that the Financial Statement be noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT (15 Minutes)

There were no members of the public present.

In accordance with Agenda Item 9/82 the public & press were excluded during discussion of the following items.

9/87. CCTV MONITORING

To consider the overview and the statistics for the months of March and April.

RESOLVED: To note the report and the statistics given.

9/88. CCTV ON PROPERTIES MANAGED BY YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL

The Committee considered a report by the Deputy Town Clerk.

RESOLVED: (1) to note the confidential report; (2) to approve the 3 recommendations within the report.

The meeting closed at 8.16pm.

Signed:

Dated: