

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Draft Minutes of the Meeting held in the Large Hall of the Town Hall, Calne on Monday 9 November 2015

PRESENT: Councillor H R Marshall – Town Mayor
Councillor T W B Rounds – Deputy Town Mayor (**Chair**)
Councillor Mrs G J Ansell (**Vice-Chair**)
Councillor R C MacNaughton
Councillor A S Muir
Councillor A J Trotman
Councillor G P Widger

OFFICERS: Mrs L A Roberts – Town Clerk
Mrs A C Cawkwell – Finance & Committee Officer

23/15 APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillor Davies, Councillor Mrs Baggs, Councillor Hill and Councillor Warnett.

24/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

25/15 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on Monday 28 September 2015, having previously been circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

26/15 GRANTS AND DONATIONS

The list of grants and donations awarded for 2015/16 were noted by members and there were no grant applications received for consideration at this meeting.

27/15 FINANCE WORKING GROUP NOTES

The notes of the Finance Working Group meetings held on 12 October and 26 October 2015 were noted.

28/15 POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE BUDGET 2016-17

The Draft Policy & Resources Committee Budget, which had previously been scrutinised and recommended by the Finance Working Group was presented to members.

The Town Clerk informed that it was hoped that Band D would remain the same as last year, due to the increase in Tax Base, however, the grant awarded by Wiltshire Council had reduced by 82% and was now £13k.

It was proposed by Councillor MacNaughton, seconded by Councillor Trotman and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to recommend the Draft Policy & Resources Committee Budget 2016-17 for approval at the next Full Council meeting to be held on 23 November 2015.

29/15 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AT THE RECREATION CLUB

It was proposed by Councillor Widger, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor Marshall, and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to agree that the best way to resolve the issue regarding the payment of the electricity charges was to accept the proposal from the Recreation Club that “They (the Recreation Club) would accept the sum of £3,709.25 in respect of electricity charges if it is agreed that those costs can be set-off against the sum owed to your clients in respect of the legal costs of recent Proceedings (£3,709.25) inclusive of any interest. There would then be no requirement for either party to pay the other any sums other than the specific instalments set out in the Order of the District Judge Asplin dated 7th August 2014”.

30/15 PROPOSED SOLAR PV INSTALLATION AT THE RECREATION CLUB

The letter from Calne Recreation Club and the Briefing Paper from the Town Clerk, which are attached to and form part of these Minutes, were discussed by members.

There were many areas requiring clarification. Members were concerned that three quotes had not been obtained for the work, the implications on its effect on the property, the ongoing and future lease implications, who would own the panels and the cost of removal if required in the future. There were many areas still requiring clarification and reassurance from the Club and it was felt a decision could not be made at this stage.

It was proposed by Councillor Widger, seconded by Councillor MacNaughton and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to delegate authority to the Town Clerk and the Recreation Club Working Group to negotiate and make further investigations concerning the proposed Solar PV installation at the Recreation Club, and if enough information is available to report back to the Full Council meeting at the end of November, or the next Policy & Resources Committee meeting on 18 January 2016.

31/15 DATA PROTECTION POLICY

The Town Clerk informed that some changes had been made since the policy had been sent out, and she read out and explained the changes which had been made for members' information.

It was proposed by Councillor Muir, seconded by Councillor MacNaughton and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the Data Protection Policy, with the amendments as read out by the Town Clerk.

32/15 THANK YOU LETTERS FOR GRANTS RECEIVED

The Letters from Calne & District Twinning Association, CARP, Relate Mid Wiltshire, Royal British Legion and Wiltshire Music Centre were noted by members.

33/15 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

The **Confidential** Minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on Monday 28 September 2015, having previously been circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

The meeting closed at 6.54 pm.

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