FULL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL
ON THURSDAY 24TH SEPT 2015

PRESENT Councillors: Cllr McDonald (Mayor), A Chesters, J Ebbs, B Duffy, T Neville, T O'Neill, B Slater, G Stockton, J Sinnott and L Stones.

IN ATTENDANCE
M. Wilson Town Clerk and Shropshire Councillor Gerald Dakin.

1. Apologies
   Cllr Rigley – Another meeting
   Cllr Harris – working
   Cllr Slaton – None given

2. Declarations of Interest

3. Minutes
   After a proposal by Councillor O'Neill and seconded by Councillor Slater It was WTC/43/1516 RESOLVED To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 16th July 2015 and 8th Sept 2015 and sign as an accurate record of those meetings.

4. Matters Arising
   None

5. Mayor’s Announcements
   19th July World Wide Whitchurch weekend
   22nd July Civic Role Event Shirehall Shrewsbury
   29th July Nantwich Show
   8th August Dearnford Lake
   4-7 September Neuchatel en Bray Town Twinning visit.

6. Outstanding Actions
   None

7. Public Participation
   After a proposal by Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor O'Neill It was WTC/44/1516 RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders

   Wendy Profitt a local resident made representation concerning Deer Moss Park in that there is a proposal being considered by another resident to place more play equipment on the park. She wanted it recorded and noted that there are many local residents are opposed to any further equipment on the park.

   After a proposal by Councillor O'Neill and seconded by Councillor Duffy It was WTC/45/1516 RESOLVED to return to Standing Orders
8. Councillor vacancy
No applicants attended the meeting.

9. WW1 names on cenotaph
After a vote of for 5 and 4 against the resolution of 21st May WTC/06/1516 was rescinded and the item will be discussed at the next full Council meeting.

10. Shropshire Councillors report
Cllr Dakin reported on the Doctors Surgery plans. National Health England are awaiting costings and have to agree the way forward by May 2016. This will also be discussed at the LJC meeting on the 7th October. The skate Park designs are now in and will be shown to the skate park committee on the 1st October and to the children at the Blackberry Fair on the 3rd October.

Mayor MCDONALD asked about the current status of the Future Fit programme and Cllr Dakin and informed members that a decision re Whitchurch Hospital as the proposed Northern site is to be discussed / decided on the 1st October.

11. Notice Board in the Bullring
After a proposal by Councillor McDonald and seconded by Councillor Chesters It was WTC/46/1516 RESOLVED that the Walkers are Welcome map could be displayed in the notice board in the Bullring with the caveat that it would be removed if needed.

12. Report from Members on Outside Organisations.
Cllr O'Neill reported the findings of the Fair Trade meeting.
Cllr Duffy reported to members about the Whitchurch and District Patients Group and the 'Well Event' that was successful in the Civic Centre.
Cllr Ebbs reported from the JERCB meeting that empty properties are still being investigated and it was good to see the Red Lion now being worked upon.
Cllr Neville reported from the LJC and informed members of the next meeting being held on the 7th October at Tilstock Village Hall.

13. Minutes from Committees
- Civic and Markets
  Cllr Neville reminded members of some of the actions; to place bollards at the front of the Civic and a bike rack by the railings of the Heritage Centre.
  After a proposal by Councillor Neville and seconded by Councillor O'Neill It was WTC/47/1516 RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd Sept 2015
- Heritage
  Cllr Duffy spoke about the maintenance issues needed on the Heritage and the signage for the Heritage on land belonging to Shropshire Council.
  After a proposal by Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor Neville It was WTC/48/1516 RESOLVED To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd Sept 2015.
- Parks
  Cllr O'Neill informed members that there has been a number of residents at the meeting and they do not want Wheatsheaf Drive play area sold they want play equipment.
  After a proposal by Councillor O'Neill and seconded by Councillor Slater It was WTC/48/1516 RESOLVED To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 10th Sept 2015
- Finance
  Cllr Chesters referred members to the items on the minutes and the review of policies.
  After a proposal by Councillor Chesters and seconded by Councillor Stockton It was WTC/48/1516 RESOLVED To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 10th Sept 2015.
14. Offer on Land on Edward German Drive
The offer appears to have been withdrawn as the builder has not contacted the estate agent.

15. Member required for Committees
Cllr T O'Neill agreed to join the personnel committee and Cllr Stones agreed to join the Parks committee.

16. Christmas Closure
Questions were raised as to the Town Council putting on an event in the Civic over New Year. It was agreed to shut the Civic Centre in line with Shropshire Council but take into consideration any requests for a New Years Eve party. The clerk reported that a Birthday party had been booked for the 27th December which would be honoured. After a proposal by Councillor McDonald and seconded by Councillor Chesters It was WTC/49/1516 RESOLVED that the Civic centre would be closed from lunchtime on the 24th Dec and open on Monday 4th Jan 2016 – any approaches re events over this period would be looked at on a case-by-case basis and an appropriate fee charged to reflect increased costs.

17. Policies for adoption
After a proposal by Councillor McDonald and seconded by Councillor Slater It was WTC/50/1516 RESOLVED that the CCTV policy, amended Standing Orders, a new Risk Assessment Policy and Financial Regulations be adopted.

18. Correspondence
Thank you Letter from Whitchurch Hockey
Letter from Wendy Parfitt concerning Deer Moss Park.

19. To receive the Statement of Accounts for month 4 and 5 (Copy already circulated)
After a proposal by Councillor Chesters and seconded by Councillor McDonald It was WTC/51/1516 RESOLVED to accept the accounts for months 4 and 5

20. Confidential Business

Meeting closed at 8:30 pm

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Chairman........................................ Date 15 October 2015