MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16th JULY 2015

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

M. Wilson Town Clerk

1. Apologies
   Cllr M Rigley - Holiday
   Cllr Harris – Another engagement
   Cllr Salton - No reason given
   Cllr Neville – Another meeting
   Cllr Dakin – another meeting

2. Declarations of Interest
   None.

3. Minutes
   After a proposal by Councillor Stones and seconded by Councillor Slater It was WTC/32/1516 RESOLVED To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18th June 2015 including confidential as a true record of that meeting

4. Matters Arising
   None

5. Mayor’s Announcements
   The Mayor gave a list of the events for the month.
   24th June Oswestry Town Council
   24th June Chamber of Trade meeting
   27th June V&H high street store opening
   27th June Civic Centre Armed Forces Day
   27th June Whitchurch Rugby Club Relay for Life
   27th June St Alkmund’s Church silent Auction
   27th June Sir John Talbots Summer Fair.
   4th July Antiques Fair
   4th July Bradbury Care Centre opening Summer Fate
   4th July Elmhurst Care Home Memorial Garden opening.
   11th July Leonard Brother Vet Centre open day
   11th July Centre NE Our Big Gig.

6. Outstanding Actions
   None

7. Public Participation
   After a proposal by Councillor Chesters and seconded by Councillor O’Neill It was WTC/33/1516 RESOLVED to suspend standing orders.
Resident Terry Evason gave examples of other names on the cenotaph that we not killed in war and asked the council to consider William Mur hall. Terry Evason presented a number of counter arguments for the decision made at Full Council in May 2105. After a proposal by Councillor Chester and seconded by Councillor O'Neill it was WTC/34/1516 RESOLVED to re-instate standing orders.

8. Presentation from Securasound on CCTV cameras
   Questions were asked in the CCTV room.

9. WW1 names on cenotaph
   Cllr Chester reminded councillors that the rescinding of a decision had to be in writing. The clerk agreed to seek out the councillors and report back to next council meeting. The Mayor made a proposal to consider the name being added and ask the local Herald to ask residents to write if they objected. This will be held over until the September 2015 meeting.

10. Two Vacancies on the Council
    Advertised and noted.

11. Report from Members on Outside Organisations.
    Cllr Stockton went to the Shropshire Housing group and they have asked to give a presentation to the Council regarding the launch of housing development.

12. Minutes from Committees
    • Heritage
      Cllr Duffy informed councillors of the maintenance issues and signage for the Heritage Centre. After a proposal by Councillor Duffy and seconded by Councillor O'Neill it was WTC/35/1516 RESOLVED to accept the minutes.
    • Civic and Markets
      Cllr Sinnott informed councillors that the book fair would be held on 19th September. The market stall holders are going to put in a bid for the market and there is a Christmas Lights working group. After a proposal by Councillor Sinnott and seconded by Councillor Duffy it was WTC/36/1516 RESOLVED to accept the minutes.
    • Parks
      Cllr O'Neill informed councillors that the Town Band is being asked to play in the park over the summer months. After a proposal by Councillor O'Neill and seconded by Councillor Sinnott it was WTC/37/1516 RESOLVED to accept the minutes.
    • Finance
      Cllr Chester informed councillors that the community benefit for solar panels would be for 20 years rather than the one off payment. After a proposal by Councillor Chester and seconded by Councillor O'Neill it was WTC/38/1516 RESOLVED to accept the minutes.

13. Shropshire Councillors report
    Unable to attend but asked if councillors need questions answered to put through the clerk.

14. Health and Safety training
    Cllr Stones informed councillors that the safe in the HUB is causing health and safety issues for the staff working.
    After a proposal by Councillor McDonald and seconded by Councillor Stones it was WTC/39/1516 RESOLVED to delegate the disposal to the clerk.

15. Whitchurch event
    Cllr McDonald informed councillors that there is an invitation from the Whitchurch event for it to be held in Whitchurch Shropshire in 2017.
    After a proposal by Councillor McDonald and seconded by Councillor O'Neill it was WTC/40/1516 RESOLVED to offer to hold the event in Shropshire in 2017.
16. Offer on Land on Edward German Drive
   No update.

17. Correspondence
   Shropshire Housing Group Corporate Plan 2015 – 2020
   Notification of Road Closure in St Marys Street in October
   Whitchurch Town Twinning Association thank you letter
   Whitchurch Craft Units seeking reduction in rental.

18. To receive the Statement of Accounts for month 3
   After a proposal by Councillor Chesters and seconded by Councillor O'Neill it was WTC/41/1516
   RESOLVED accept month 3 accounts

19. Confidential Business

20. Continued discussions on The Civic Centre lease.
   Nothing to report as no contact had been made. Local Shropshire Councillors have contacted
   relevant departments and the Town Council awaits any further information. Town Councillors
   would like a full council meeting when proposals are received.

Meeting closed 8:05 pm

Signed .......................................................... Dated 24 September 2015.