



SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL General Management Committee

Minutes of the General Management Committee held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Shaftesbury Dorset SP7 8LY on Tuesday, 24 July 2018 commencing at 7 pm.

Members Present:

Councillor Cook (Chair)
Councillor Kirton
Councillor Perkins

Councillor Taylor
Councillor Brown
Councillor Lewer

Officers Present:

Brie Logan Business Manager

In Attendance:

Six members of the public
No members of the press

8. 45pm Councillor Perkins left the meeting at this point.

MINUTES

Public Participation

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern.

A member of the NCS team provided an overview of the sensory garden project (more information was shared under agenda item 4).

The NDDC letter from Strategic Director M Hamilton was referenced stating not all questions had been answered. Councillors were urged to read the PPS5 sequential testing process. Concern was expressed that related matters were being kept confidential.

Concern was expressed that one council suing another is a waste of time and money. It is important that information must be made available to the public in advance of the public poll.

The Mayor responded that the public poll was not STC policy and the outcome of the public poll plus legal advice will determine the next steps.

A representative of the Justice for Shaftesbury group reported it had lodged a judicial review with the High Court yesterday (23rd July).

G24 Apologies

None received

G25 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

All members were invited to declare any interests throughout the meeting if the need arose. Councillor Brown as a District Councillor declared an interest in item 11, Cattle Market

G26 Minutes

G26a It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26th June 2018 as a correct record. The minutes were duly signed.

G27 Order of Business

G27a It was **RESOLVED** to move agenda Item 11 Cattle Market – media output to agenda item number 5.

G28 National Citizens Service (NCS)

3 representatives from NCS presented their community project which would consist of a sensory garden at Great Ground. A team of 13 young people plus 2 leaders would be carrying out the project later that week.

G28a Officer report 0718GEM4 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the initiative and support the individuals and delegate to officers to agree the finer detail of the project.

Action: Business Manager

G29 Cattle Market – media output

Councillor Brown left the room due to a pecuniary interest in the subject matter

G29a Officer report 0718GEM9 was received and it was **AGREED** to distribute a press release relating to the public poll to media partners, hard copies to be displayed on STC noticeboards, social media plus a website update. The content of the press release to be delegated to the clerk in consultation with Councillors Taylor and Lower.

- Cllr Lower stated that neither the outcome of the parish poll or resolution is binding on the council

- It was formally acknowledged that STC had a responsibility to manage the public purse.
- To present the facts, legal and procedural position to the public to provide information to support the public with their decision making in advance of the poll.
- Cllr Kirton stated the outcome of the poll will support the decision making process.
- A representative of the Shaftesbury for Justice group stated the group were funding the judicial review

Action: Town Clerk

G30 Planning Applications

G30a Officer report 0718GEM5 was received and the following was **RESOLVED**:

Planning application 2/2018/0885/LBC 9 High Street, Shaftesbury

No objection

Planning application 2/2018/0883/ VARIA 69 St James Street, Shaftesbury

Planning application 2/2018/0990/ VALBC 69 St James Street, Shaftesbury

No objection

Planning application 2/2018/0962/DCC The Abbey CE VA Primary School

No objection

Action: Town Clerk

G31 Finances quarter 1

Officer report 0718GEM6 the Committee **RECEIVED** the report noting the cleared bank balances as at 30th June 2018.

G16a It was **AGREED** to bring the investment of funds from the current account to the next meeting of the committee.

G16b It was **AGREED** to rename EMR Jubilee Park as EMR Jubilee Steps

Action: Town Clerk and Finance and Services officer

G32 Payments

G32a Officer report 0718GEM7 was received and the committee **APPROVED** the payments for authorisation as appended to these minutes.

Action: Finance and Services Officer

G33 Health and safety provision

G33a Officer report 0718GEM8 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to defer the item pending further information

Action: Town Clerk

G34 Scheme of Delegation

G34a Officer report 0718GEM9 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to defer the item pending further information

Action: Town Clerk

G35 Recording of Decisions policy

G21a Officer report 0718GEM10 was received and it was resolved to adopt the Recording of Decisions policy to include the STC Officer Delegated Decision form

Action: Town Clerk

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.50pm.

Signed

Date