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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

Held at 7.00 pm on Monday 11th March 2019

Present: Cllr P Hamilton (Mayor) and Cllrs D. Bagshaw, M. Bullock, M. Hannah, D. Hallam, D. Lopinto, J. Marsters, A. Poxon, M. Radulovic MBE, T. Rowland, M. Seagrave and K. Woodhead.
Members of the Public
D. Townsend (Town Clerk) and J. Williamson (Deputy Town Clerk).

TC110319/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs S. Bagshaw, P. Lippiatt and C. Robb.

TC110319/2 Prayers

Reverend David Stevenson gave opening prayers.

TC110319/3 Variation of Order of Business

None

TC110319/4 Declarations of Members Interests

None

TC110319/5 Public Speaking

Cllr D. Bagshaw read out a report provided by the Police which included an update of incidents in the Eastwood South area. The report stated that the Police were unable to separate Eastwood North from Greasley on their system. It was requested that for the next Meeting, an explanation of why Eastwood North statistics could not be separated out.

Cllr Harper (Broxtowe Borough Council and Nottinghamshire County Council), reported that the Officer responsible for the traffic wardens would be invited to the next Meeting. He also provided an update on all the local issues he had been dealing with.

It was also reported that Broxtowe Borough Council were attempting to apply for a grant and were considering ways in which the old Co-op building could be brought back into use. It was agreed that a letter of support be sent to the Council, as Councillors had previously commented that this property was in need of immediate improvement. It detracted from the vitality of Eastwood Town Centre and had an intimidating impact, particularly during the hours of darkness, so any efforts in bringing this building back into use would be welcomed.

A Resident reported that Chapter and Verse had recently held a literary competition and all schools had been invited to take part. A presentation afternoon had been held for the prize winners and three Councillors had attended. Cllrs Hannah and Marsters both reported that they had forwarded their apologies as they were unable to attend.

A Resident raised the issue of potholes, and if there was a consistent way of filling these, and if the Council were active in the 'Big Litter' campaign – an initiative from Keep Britain Tidy. It was responded that Nottinghamshire County Council had a programme for filling in potholes. A discussion was held on the Big Litter campaign and it was agreed that this was a useful initiative, and young people should be encouraged to take part. However, Broxtowe Borough Council were active in ongoing campaigns.

TC110319/6 To Confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting on 11th February 2019.

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

TC110319/7 To Confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Personnel Meetings on 26th February and 7th March 2019.

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

TC110319/8 To determine which additional items on the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

None

TC110319/9 Town Mayor Announcements

The Town Mayor reported on events he had attended;

- Chapter and Verse Literary Presentation
- Stapleford Civic Service
- A Meeting of Eastwood Volunteer Bureau

TC110319/10 Reports of the Town Clerk

The Clerk reported on information she had received from the Dream Team Theatre Company.

TC110319/11 Garden Service Tender

Members were requested to consider three quotations received for the above Service, and a Contractor be appointed.

RESOLVED that quotation three be accepted, being the least cost and offering best value.

TC110319/12 Allotment Maintenance Quotations

Members were requested to consider the quotations received for the above Service, and a Contractor be appointed. It was noted that it had only been possible to gain two quotations

RESOLVED that the quotation two be accepted, being the least cost and offering best value.

TC110319/13 Insurance Quotes

Members were requested to consider three quotations received for the Town Council's Insurance, and a provider be appointed.

RESOLVED that the proposal from BHIB be accepted for a one year term.

TC110319/14 Defibrillator Maintenance

The defibrillator sited outside the Council Offices required new batteries and pads. These were required every two years and the existing defib was installed in 2016. At the time of installation, Eastwood Town Council accepted ownership and responsibility for maintenance.

RESOLVED that a CHARGE-PAK Charging Stick with two sets of adult electrodes be ordered at a cost of £94.80 plus VAT. This payment was to be allocated to the Council Initiatives account heading.

TC110319/15 Requests for Grants

Two requests for grants had been received as follows;

- a) Age UK
- b) Citizens Advice Bureau

RESOLVED that Age UK not be offered a grant and that Citizens Advice Bureau be invited to a future meeting to make a presentation and provide further details.

Cllr D. Bagshaw declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item, and remained in the Meeting.

TC110319/16 Specific Risk Assessments and Management 2019/2020

Members were requested to review and approve the Risk Assessment and Management document.

RESOLVED that this document be approved subject to the removal of the security of allotments - storage area on Derby Rd (Item 2).

TC110319/17 Community Allotment Application

An enquiry had been received from a Co-Production Officer (Notts County Council), asking for an allotment site in Eastwood, preferably Hill Top.

RESOLVED that, subject to there being a free plot, and after all outstanding payments have been received for the ensuing year, a twelve month trial period be offered subject to the Rules and Regulations of the allotments.

TC110319/18 Training

This item was withdrawn.

TC110319/19 Lamp Post Poppies

Lamp Post Poppies were now available to order in preparation for Remembrance Sunday 2019. A suggested donation was £3.00 per poppy

RESOLVED that poppies had been purchased for the 2019 commemorations and would be re-used, so no further poppies were required.

TC110319/20 Hazel Braithwaite Achievement Award

A report was submitted outlining the requirements and history of the Hazel Braithwaite Award.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk advertises for nominations etc. Following this a Sub-Committee be set up to propose a suitable recipient, to be agreed at Full Council.

TC110319/21 To Confirm and Agree Income and Payments for February/March 2019

Income and payments for February and March 2019 were distributed to all Members.

RESOLVED to agree all payments (attached at Annexe A to the Minutes).

TC110319/22 Consideration of 2018/19 Accounts to 31st February 2019 and Bank Reconciliation

The 2018/19 Accounts year to date and Bank Reconciliation were circulated to all Councillors.

RESOLVED that these items be noted (attached at Annexe B to the Minutes).

TC110319/23 Items for Information in the Information Folder

All items had been circulated by email.

NOTED

TC110319/24 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

TC110319/25 To Confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting on 11th February 2019.

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

TC110319/26 To Confirm and agree the Exempt Minutes of the Personnel Meetings on 26th February and 7th March 2019

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the Recommendations therein.

TC110319/27 Personnel Matter

RESOLVED that the Eastwood Town Council seek access to the Notts County Council Local Government Pension Scheme as a designating employer, and that this be offered to all eligible members of staff.

TC110319/28 Personnel Matter

RESOLVED that full authority be delegated to the Personnel Committee to negotiate specific employment and financial matters.

TC110319/29 Room Hire - Registrar

RESOLVED that room hire charges for the Registrar be agreed.

The Meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

The date of the Next Council Meeting was confirmed as April 15th 2019 at 7.00 pm.