**Minutes of the Meeting of St Ives Town Council**

**held at the Town Hall St Ives on Wednesday 13 March 2019**

**Present:**

The Town Mayor: Councillor Dr T Drye

The Deputy Town Mayor: Councillor D Rowe

Councillors: J Davies, A Dickinson, R Bellamy, N Dibben, R Fuller, L Davies, M King, Dr C Pegoraro, A Ayers-Wilson, B Luter, J Pallant, R D’Souza, P Hussain

**Absent:** Councillor P Pope

**In attendance:**

Amenities Manager: C Allison

Committee Clerk: S Rawlinson

**PRAYERS**

The Town Mayor’s Chaplain said prayers prior to the commencement of the Meeting.

C216.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor J Tiddy (Personal) and from the Town Clerk (ill health).

C217.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

C218.00 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No persons present wished to address the meeting.

C219.00 MINUTES

**RESOLVED:** that the Minutes of the Meeting of St Ives Town Council held on 13 February 2019 are confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Town Mayor.

C220.00 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor’s engagements list was noted. He apologised to Members that due to his wife's illness he had not been as active during the past two months.

C221.00 COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following minutes were received.

C221.01 Planning Committees

The minutes of the Meetings held on 13 and 27 February 2019 were received and noted.

C221.02 Amenities Committee

The minutes of 27 February 2019 were received and noted.

Consideration was given to the **Recommendation** at A65.03 that Councillor L Davies be nominated to contact local radio stations to promote the Farmers' Market as this was outside the scope of the Press and Media Policy.

**RESOLVED:**  that agreement be given to Councillor L Davies contacting local

media to promote the Farmers' Market.

C221.03 Norris Museum

The notes of the Extra Meeting of the Norris Museum were received and noted.

C221.04 Annual Town Meeting

The draft Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on 2 March 2019 were received.

Councillor Fuller indicated that there were some inaccuracies relating to responses he gave to questions at the meeting. He would inform the Town Clerk of them on her return.

C222.00 ARMED FORCES DAY

Members were in receipt of update report on arrangements for Armed Forces Day.

Consent had been given to the use of Slepe Hall Field for the event. Some concern was expressed at the use of generators on the site and Members were asked if they knew of any cleaner system to contact the Town Clerk.

The Royal British Legion would provide a flag pole for the flag raising. Meetings continued to be held regularly to finalise details of the event.

**RESOLVED:** that the report be recived and noted.

C223.00 DEFIBRILLATORS

Consideration was given to the purchase of defibrillators for the town centre.

The siting of the machines was discussed. It was generally agreed that they should be in prominent positions, possibly with one on the wall of the Norris Museum and the other at the Bus Station end of town.

It was noted that the Town Initiative Team was investigating the utilisation of public phone boxes.

**RESOLVED: C223.01** that the report is received and noted

**C223.02** that £4,000 is allocated from CIL towards the puchase and installation

of 2 defibrillator units for the town centre.

C224.00 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Consideration was given to an application from St Ives Darby and Joan Club for a grant of £500

for a Club Outing.

**RESOLVED:** that a grant of £500 be given to St Ives Darby and Joan Club.

C225.00 ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

A Member raised several queries on the payments listed. The Amenities Manager agreed to check with the Finance Officer and report back to the appropriate Member.

The Town Mayor reminded Members to raise any such queries with the Town Clerk before the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** that the schedule of Orders for Payment be received and noted.

C226.00 BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

**RESOLVED:** that the Bank Reconciliation Statement be received and noted.

C227.00 BUDGET REPORT

**RESOLVED:** that the Budget Report be received and noted.

C228.00 POLICE MATTERS

No Police Report had been received.

C229.00 CCTV REPORT

The CCTV Report was noted. Consent had been received from the CCTV Centre for all its documentation to be in the public domain.

**RESOLVED:** that the CCTV report be received and noted.

C230.00 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

The following reports were noted.

C230.01 Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre

It was noted that reports would be presented quarterly in future, with the next report being received in May.

C230.02 Great Ouse Valley Trust

Consideration was given to the Council becoming a Member of the Ouse Valley Trust.

**RESOLVED:** that the Council join the Ouse Valley Trust at a cost of £30 per annum.

C231.00 COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

County Councillor Fuller reported that the authority had now set its budget which had resulted in a 4.9% increase in precept. There had been a lot of additional pressure from Children's Services and Adult Social Care and the reserve created to assist with mid term pressure had helped with these demand-led services.

The proposed move to Alconbury was proceeding. Shire Hall would eventually be leased or sold. Options were still being investigated with the hope of saving £40m over coming years. There would still be a County Council presence located in most towns.

**RESOLVED:** that the report be received and noted.

C232.00 DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

District Councillor J Davies reported that following the Annual Town Meeting, Councillor Dickinson and himself had been contacted by several residents on various issues and they were looking into these.

HDC had set a surplus budget and total spending had been reduced by £120k. The precept had been increased by 2.6%.

The Council planned to introduce proposals for a new outdoor centre project shortly.

The new car parking arrangements had been agreed and would be introduced soon.

**RESOLVED:** that the report be received and noted.

C233.00 ROLLING PROGRAMME

**RESOLVED:** that the Rolling Programme be received and noted.

Town Mayor: Date: 10 April 2019