



FULL COUNCIL

Thursday 14 November 2019 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillors P Madeley (Chairman), A Barrett, G Bell, S Bentley, J Dawson, W Feather, R G Heseltine, A Hickman, G Iannaccone, E Jaquin, R Judge, K McIntyre, C Nash, D Painter and D Shaw.

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer), Wendy Allsopp (Administration & Member Services Manager), Sam Poole (Finance Manager) and Joel Henderson (Estate Manager).

1 member of the public was present.

1. To accept representations from the Public between 7.00 pm and 7.15 pm.

Mrs J Shadenburg asked members to reconsider the ban on her husband entering the Middletown allotment site.

Mrs Shadenburg spoke briefly to the Council to put her case forward.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Cllr A Solloway

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.

Councillor Hickman declared a non-pecuniary interest with regard to agenda item 11 as he is part of the organisations which have requested funding.

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests.

None

5. To approve the minutes from the Full Council meetings held on 19 September and 17 October 2019.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Full Council meetings held on 19 September and 17 October 2019 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at those meetings.

6. To report and receive information arising from the minutes of items not on the agenda from members and the Chief Officer.

None.

7. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Finance and Policy Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 15 August 2019 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

8. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Market Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Market Committee meeting held on 7 August 2019 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

It was **AGREED** to bring forward agenda items 12 and 13

12. To consider excluding press and public for consideration of item 13 on the grounds that it relates to confidential matters.

It was **RESOLVED** that in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable and in the public interest that the press and public be asked to withdraw.

13. To consider a request relating to a tenancy at the Council's Middletown Allotment site.

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It was **RESOLVED** to return to public session.

9. To receive a report of the Mayoral Engagements for September until October 2019.

The Mayor reported that the Stray FM Awards at Coniston Hotel had been an excellent event and made even better by the fact that the Town Council events team won an award for the 2018 Christmas Light Switch On.

Other functions attended included the launch of the British Legion Poppy Appeal, Remembrance Sunday and judging the Mayor's Christmas Card Competition which was won by a student from Brooklands School.

10. To note and approve amendments to the membership of the Council's Standing Committees, following the recent co-option of a new Member

Members note and approved the amendments made to the membership of the Council's Standing Committees, following the recent co-option of Cllr Andy Solloway.

Members further noted that the arrangements will apply until the next regular review of Committee membership, scheduled for the Council's Annual Meeting in May 2020.

11. To agree whether the Council should close down two of its dormant charitable trusts

Members **AGREED**, in principle, to wind up both the John Rimmington Bequest and the Marsden & Mullineaux Trust.

It was further **AGREED** that the Chief Officer would correspond with all Members inviting them to make suggestions as to good causes to donate funds then bring this matter back to Full Council.

14. Questions for the Leader of the Council.

A Member asked if the Council could ensure that official meetings are not held before 5.00 pm.

The Leader of the Council advised that all committee meetings are held after 5:30. Working Group meetings may take place during the daytime as evening meetings incur implications for staff members as they are required to take time off in lieu to attend.

The Leader advised that, in any case, this matter would be considered at the next scheduled meeting of the Planning Committee.

15. To receive notification of matters that Members would like including on a future agenda.

The wearing of white poppies on Remembrance Sunday
Social Media

The meeting closed at 8.03 pm