



Public Services Committee
Thursday 28 November 2019 - 6.30 pm

Present: Councillors J Dawson (Chairman), R G Heseltine, A Hickman, E Jaquin, C Nash, R Judge and D Shaw

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer), Sam Poole (Finance Manager), Joel Henderson (Estate Manager) and Wendy Mowlam (Administration Assistant)

In attendance: Councillor Sheila Bentley

2 members of the public were in attendance

1. To accept representations from the Public between 6.30 pm and 6.45 pm.

Mr S Philip and Ms S Philip of Walton Street asked members to reconsider the recent decommissioning of a street light nearby their homes.

After a short discussion Members agreed to place the removal of this light on hold.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Councillor D Painter

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

None

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 previous meeting held on 29 August & 7 November 2019.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes from the Public Services Committee meetings held on 29 August & 7 November 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.

Those present at the meeting **NOTED** that the Woodland Trust had agreed to contribute towards the cost of electricity for the street lights on Chapel Hill.

It was further **NOTED** that the Estate Manager has been dealing with Craven District Council's legal team with regard to vehicular access to the Ginnel Play Area but has received no correspondence with regard to the potential transfer of its allotment sites to the Town Council.

7. To consider Budget Provision for the Council's public services function 2020-2021

Members considered the Public Services Budget 2019-20 and, after discussion, **AGREED** to make recommendations to the Finance & Policy Committee to include the following:

The Rent Charges for Allotments for the 2019-20 period should be retained at £96.00 per full sized plot.

The Rent Charges for Grazing Land for the 2019-20 period should not be increased in price.

8. To receive notification of matters that members would like on a future agenda.

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Meeting closed at 8:02 pm