

FINEDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council – 1431 held at the Town Hall, Finedon Wednesday 17th October 2018 from 7pm

Present: Councillors L Harper (Chairman), T Kendall-Torry, M Ward, B Bailey, G Swann, A Weatherill, M Bentley, R Ogle, L Lawrence & S Cooper
NCC Cllr G Mercer, Mrs J Tufnail (Clerk) & 2 members of the public

PRAYERS were held before the Meeting

- 52/18-19 **APOLOGIES** had been received and were accepted from Cllrs G Spencer, S Farrell & D Willmott
- 53/18-19 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – Cllr Cooper – Coope’s Home Maintenance
- 54/18-19 It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 5th and 19th September 2018 were **proposed, agreed** and signed by the Chairman.
- 55/18-19 Friends of Finedon Library updated the Council and it was noted that the library would remain open run by volunteers until the end of the lease in June 2019. It was also noted that more volunteers were required.
- 56/18-19 **OPEN SPACES**
Banks Park
1. The Clerk’s Reported that there were no issues arising from inspections.
2. The Green – It was noted that Wellingborough Borough Council were consulting on changes to their Street Trading Policy until 12th November 2018. The Clerk advised that she would have to look at this in detail before responding as there were exceptions.
Cemetery
1. Tree works completed. It was noted that they Clerk had met with Norse to discuss the maintenance of the cemetery.
Pocket Park & Tainty Field
Following discussion, it was **resolved** to determine the Deed dated 11.9.98 relating to the discharge of functions in respect of the care and management of the land under Clause 6b(ii). The Clerk to advise Wellingborough Borough Council.
- 57/18-19 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**
1. Cllr Ogle reported that the a petition of nearly 800 signatures was delivered to Peter Bone MP who was going to deliver it to Parliament.
- 58/18-19 **Planning** – The planning Committee reported on applications received:
WP/18/00500/FUL amended plans, 10 Millers Close, Finedon – No objection.
WP/18/00550/FUL change of use 1st Floor to residential 87 Well Rd – No objection.
- 59/18-19 **HIGHWAYS** –
a. The proposed local road closures and the state of the pavements were discussed. NCC Cllr Gill Mercer agreed to look into the possibility of dropped kerbs to assist disabled access with Highways. She confirmed she had contacted Highways direct about the flooding at Bell Hill.
- 60/18-19 **FINANCE** - Cllr Harper reported that he had completed the Internal Control checks and that everything was in order. Cllr Lawrence to do the next check before the 28th November meeting at 6.30pm.
a. The Bank and Budget reconciliations for September 2018 were considered, **proposed and duly agreed**.
b. The payments list for October 2018 was considered, **proposed and duly agreed** and invoices signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations. The Clerk was instructed to make the payments as necessary.

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- 61/18-19 Following discussion, it was **resolved** to adopt the **Discretions Policy** for the Council's Pension Plan.
- 6244/18-19 Cllr Gill Mercer NCC's report was noted.
- 63/18-19 The Clerk's report was noted.
- 64/18-19 The following round the table comments were noted
Cllr Bentley reminded Councillors of the Frog Life working party in the Pocket Park on Friday 19th October 2018 at 10.30am.
Cllr Ogle requested that the Borough Councillors look into the new WBC policy of Asset Leasing rather than transfer as he felt that Finedon Town Council was an exception.
Cllr Ogle also requested that the Council should fund its expenses via a business credit card rather than being forward funded by Councillors or the Clerk. The Council agreed that the clerk should look into the setting up of a Council Credit Card which would be paid off monthly in full, as per Clause 6.2 Financial Regulations.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.05pm