



**ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 29th
JANUARY 2018 AT 7:00PM. ROOM 1 ALFRETON HOUSE.**

Present:

Mayor: Councillor M Kerry

Deputy Town Mayor: Councillor Marlene Bennett MBE

Councillors: G Dolman, , P Hunt, S Marshall-Clarke, K Moss, C O.Brian, C Robinson and K Wood

To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors: J Dolman (illness) J Gdula (family commitment) A Richardson (illness) , J Walker (Family commitment), S Walker (work commitment), and P Woodhouse (illness)

One member of the public

Also present

David Holmes, Town Clerk

01/19 Public Participation

There was none

42/19 To consider any items which should be taken in exclusion of the press and public.

That being aware of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from meetings meeting during the consideration of certain matters

On the grounds that the report contains information relating to individuals and the financial affairs of particular persons. That information being classed as exempt under paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation)Order 2006).

RESOLVED

That Agenda Item 10/19a Staffing Matters and Review is to be heard in exclusion of the press and public and be heard as the last item of the meeting

43/19 To hear from a representative of Derbyshire Police should one be available.

No Police were available at the meeting

44/19 To read and consider the Minutes of the Meeting of Alfreton Town Council held on Tuesday 18TH December 2018

Copies had been circulated to each Member with the summons to attend the meeting; the Minutes may be taken as read.

RESOLVED

That the minutes are approved as a correct record subject to the addition of the names of those members who were in attendance

Matters arising minute 35/18 refers

Roundabout on Mansfield Road

The Town Clerk informed the meeting of a response from Derbyshire County Council (shown as Appendix A to these minutes)

RESOLVED

That the Town Clerk is instructed to write to the author of the response with a copy to Councillor Simon Spencer, requesting that Derbyshire County Council considers positioning a speed-activated sign on the Normanton entrance to the roundabout.

45/19 After consideration to approve the signature of the Meeting Minutes of Tuesday 18th December 2018 by the person presiding as a correct record.

RESOLVED

That the Town Mayor as person presiding is instructed to sign the minutes as a correct record, subject to the above correction.

46/19 To dispose of business, if any, remaining from the last meeting.

There was none

47/19 To receive and consider reports and minutes of committees.

There was none

To receive and consider additional agenda items in the order in which they have been notified.

**48/19 To receive a report on Staffing Matters and Review
ITEM HEARD IN EXCLUSION (Minute 02/19also refers)**

**49/19 To set a budget and resulting precept for the financial year 2019/20
RESOLVED (unanimously)**

- a. That the attached budget proposal shown as Appendix B to these minutes is accepted.
- b. That under the provisions of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 The Council of the Borough of Amber Valley being the charging Authority for the said Borough are given notice that in the respect of the financial year beginning 1 April 2019 that Alfreton Town Council will require from them the sum of £166,201 to meet the expenses of the Town Council and that Alfreton Town Council require Amber Valley Borough Council to levy the said sum as an additional item of the Council Tax

50/19 To receive an update on the Dementia Friendly Project and consider the purchase of signage

RESOLVED

- a. That the principal of the report is accepted and that the financial implications contained in the report are approved
- b. That a detailed report is brought to the next meeting of the Town Council outlining the details of the scheme

51/19 To receive a report on possible involvement with Walkers Crisp Packet Recycling

The snack firm Walkers has announced a recycling scheme. At the moment the packaging they use is the best way to keep crisps fresh. The packets are made from a fusion of plastic and aluminium foil. Crisps are packaged like this by many manufacturers because of their fat content, which means they can quickly go rancid when exposed to oxygen. Walkers have said that its packets are technically recyclable but until now they were not being separated or collected for recycling

From December, snack buyers will be able to post used bags - in envelopes, for free - directly to a recycling company.

It will involve packets being turned into useful plastic items such as benches, watering cans and plant pots by recycling firm TerraCycle

Any brand of crisp packets – not just Walkers- will be accepted.

People will be encouraged to drop of their packets at one of hundreds of ‘public access collection points’ around the country. People can also put them in a box or envelope and post them to Terra Cycle free of charge.

The packets will be cleaned, shredded and turned into small pellets which will be converted into plastic items

There does not appear to be a collection point in this area and the purpose of this report is to consider whether the Town Council could offer to provide a collection point and forward the packs to Terra- Cycle who offer a points scheme which is worth £2 for every 2kg of packets sent to them.

Walkers would provide the necessary publicity. It is suggested that a collection point could be placed in the foyer of Alfreton House.

It is also suggested that the scheme could be partnered with local schools who could encourage pupils to participate in this recycling scheme

RESOLVED

- a. That the Town Council participates in the scheme
- b. That local schools be invited to participate in the scheme

52/19 To approve the purchase of a replacement laptop computer

The laptop computer supplied to the Town Clerk is over 3 years old and had developed a fault

RESOLVED

That a replacement laptop computer, of suitable specification, is purchased up to the cost of £500 plus VAT

53/19 To consider a report on planting schemes for the Centenary Green

A local residents' group has approached the Town Council with a suggestion to plant a number of trees on the Centenary Green. The proposal is to plant between 50 and 100 oak trees to improve habitat.

RESOLVED

- a. That a fund of £1500 is set aside from the 2018/9 Centenary Green Budget
- b. That the Town Council funds the scheme in its entirety.
- c. That a scheme is formulated having taken advice from the Tree and Conservation Officer which optimises value for money and availability of trees provided free of charge by organisations such as The Woodland Trust
- d. That the failed hedging shrubs are replaced
- e. That the Town Clerk is authorised to commission the scheme after consultation with appropriate Lead Members
- f. That arrangements are made to plant/sow poppies adjacent to the walkways on the site.

54/19 To authorise the signing of orders for payment. December 2018 amounting to £26580.39

RESOLVED

That the payments shown in Appendix C are authorised

55/19 To consider Planning Applications

RESOLVED

AVA/2018/1155 Shed in rear garden (log cabin) Convert into living space

To offer no representations

AVA/2018/1173 Non-material amendment to DCC application CD/0315/157

To offer no representations

AVA/2018/1221 Demolition of boiler house and mobile classroom. Provision of nursery extension and new boiler house

To offer no representations

AVA/2019/0006 Single storey extension to dwelling house

To offer no representations

AVA/2019/0008 New external signage

To request that the sign is turned off after 10-00 pm

56/19 To consider four topics for communication

RESOLVED

That the three topics for communication are:

The Town Council's budget and resulting precept for the financial year 2019/20

Walkers Crisp Packet Recycling

Planting schemes for the Centenary Green

57/19 Date of forthcoming Town Council meetings

It was **AGREED** that the date of the next Town Council meeting would be rearranged to 26th February 2019 and that an item Outside Bodies be added to the agenda of that meeting

It was also **NOTED** that the Town Council's Executive Committee Meeting on 5th March would be attended by representatives from East Midlands Trains