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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 17th OCTOBER 2023 AT 7PM, ROOM 1

Present

Deputy Town Mayor: Councillor D Taylor

Councillors:

M Bennett, G Dolman, M Kerry, S Walker, J Whetton, K Wood

Staff:

T Crookes

**MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL**

# **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

## 85/23 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from J Gdula, H Jowett- Frost, S Marshall-Clarke, C Morcombe, A Richardson, J Walker

## 86/23 To receive any declarations of interest from Members

Declarations were received from Councillors;

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| M Bennett | 96/23b | Personal/non DPI  To consider a grant application from Friendship Club | To remain in the meeting but not vote |

## 87/23 Recording and Filming of Council and Committee Meetings

**RESOLVED**

a. For the purposes of minute taking an Officer will record the meeting audially and delete the files once the draft minutes have been produced.

## 88/23 Public Participation

There were none

## 89/23 To consider any items which should be taken in exclusion of the press and public

There were none

## 90/23 To hear from a representative of Derbyshire Police should one be available

None were available

## 91/23 To read and consider the Minutes of the Meeting of Alfreton Town Council held on Tuesday 19th September 2023 copies have been circulated to each Member with the summons to attend the meeting; the Minutes may be taken as read.

**RESOLVED**

The minutes of the meeting were read, an amendment was made to item 77/23. It was resolved that the Leader and Deputy Leader will interview prospective co-option applicants.

## 92/23 After consideration to approve the signature of the Meeting Minutes of Tuesday 19th September 2023 by the person presiding as a correct record

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were signed as a correct record

## 93/23 To dispose of business, if any, remaining from the last meeting

There is none

**94/23 To consider the co-option to fill a councillor vacancy in the East Ward**

**RESOLVED**

All in favour of co-opting J Bate

## 95/23 To receive and consider reports and minutes of committees and working groups

1. To receive the minutes of the events meeting held on 26th September 2023

**RESOLVED**

Noted

1. To receive the minutes of the regeneration committee held on 26th September 2023

**RESOLVED**

Correction to 21/23 ‘film production’

1. To receive the notes of the meeting held with ATFC, Wayne Bradley

**RESOLVED**

Noted, should include full cycle of sponsorship for 23 games

18 matches to be still to be delivered

Include terms on reverse

1. To receive the notes of the meeting held to discuss Remembrance Sunday held on 10th October 2023

**RESOLVED**

Ensure PA System is adequate

Background music for hymn (Father Mark)

500 hand outs to be distributed by Councillors to the public

## 96/23 To receive and consider additional agenda items in the order in which they have been notified.

1. To consider Tour of the Town responsibilities

**RESOLVED**

That the Town is split into 5 areas, 3 Councillors assigned to each area based on logic, geographics and ability

Presented to a future meeting for approval

1. To consider a grant application from Christ the King Church for £3,570

**RESOLVED**

That a grant of £1575.00 is awarded

1. To receive a report on the issuing of agendas and summons

**RESOLVED**

That members will receive the agenda 7 days prior to the meeting

1. To receive the Completion of the limited assurance review for the year ended 31st March 2023

**RESOLVED**

Noted, placed on record thanks to Officers for concluding a successful audit

## 97/23 To ratify the signing of orders for payment

**RESOLVED**

Payments were approved as follows;

To receive and approve payments for September 2023 £25,042.47

To approve the bank reconciliation for September 2023 £147,884.34

## 98/23 To receive reports from Members who may have attended Outside Bodies meetings

ACTS – Carols around the tree taking place in December & Carols at Costa

Alfreton & District Heritage Trust – Councillor Keith Wood

Successful themed workshops, next session Land Army Girls 28th October

Town Council to offer support to help advertise future sessions

## 99/23 To note correspondence received

**RESOLVED**

Noted

## 100/23 To consider 4 topics for communication

**RESOLVED**

Audit results

Grant to Christ the King

Football club

Network rail update

## 101/23 To review and approve the following policies:

1. Civic Protocol

2. Pension Discretions

3. Risk Assessment – Alfreton House Foyer & Stairs

**RESOLVED**

That’s the policies are approved, Councillor Dolman to be consulted on future risk assessments

## 102/23 To consider Planning Applications – applications have been received since the last meeting

1. To receive an update on the protection of land, Alfreton Park
2. To receive correspondence from Crich Parish Council concerning the emerging Amber Valley Local Plan Policies

**RESOLVED**

As the Solar farm appeal was upheld, the essence now is to give as much protection as possible to that land

AVBC Cllrs have looked at the heritage and Conservation of Alfreton

Obtain clarity on effectiveness of a Neighbour Plan from AVBC Officers and associated costs. Respond to Councillor Chris Emmas-Williams thanks for his letter, refer to letter from Crich, share a copy citing ‘neighbour plan will be ignored and ridden over’ can Chris Emmas-Williams as Leader of the Borough Council give clarity in direction of producing neighbourhood plan.

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| Ref: [AVA/2023/0683](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0683)  Address: Land South Of, Wingfield Road, Alfreton, Derbyshire,  Proposal: Non material amendment to AVA/2018/0978 and AVA/2020/0317 for the addition of garages to plots 20, 22, 23 & 24.  Date Valid:7/Sep/2023  Decision Expected:05/Oct/2023   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Consultation Date - 19/Sep/2023 |  |   Ref: [AVA/2023/0696](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0696)  Address:12 Aumonier Way, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7QQ  Proposal: Erection of greenhouse  Date Valid:18/Nov/2023  Decision Expected:6/Nov/2023   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Consultation Date - 19/Sep/2023 |  |   Ref: [TRE/2023/0331](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=TRE-2023-0331)  Address:37 Henley Close, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7SS  Proposal: Crown reduction to Oak tree  Date Valid:19/Sep/2023  Decision Expected:14/Nov/2023   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Consultation Date - 20/Sep/2023 |  |   Ref: [AVA/2023/0708](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0708)  Address:21 Firs Avenue, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7EL  Proposal: Proposed porch to front of existing dwelling and resurfacing of new driveway  Date Valid:19/Sep/2023  Decision Expected:7/Nov/2023   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  |   Ref: [AVA/2023/0711](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0711)  Address: Land North Of Alfreton (South Of B6025), Meadow Lane, Alfreton, Derbyshire  Proposal: Variation of condition 3 (approved drawings) of AVA/2021/0313 to substitute 'Typical Building Plans & Elevations C0002292\_06 Rev A' with 'C0002292\_06 Typical Buildings Plan and Elevations\_RevB'. Additionally, a further drawing, C0002292\_16 DNO Substation Elevation Rev\_B, will need to be referred to in Condition 3 to reflect the change in design of the DNO substation  Date Valid:22/Sep/2023  Decision Expected:8/Dec/2023   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Consultation Date - 27/Sep/2023 |  |   Ref: [AVA/2023/0190](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0190)  Address: Mansfield House, 57 Mansfield Road, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7JJ,Proposal:Change of Use - Mansfield House Offices (B1) to 8 1-bedroomed Apartments (C3)  Date Valid:27/Sep/2023  **APPLICATION RETURNED**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | Consultation Date - 9/Oct/2023 |  |   Ref: [AVA/2023/0745](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0745)  Address:121 Nottingham Road, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7GQ  Proposal: Reinstatement of previous ground supported bay window and pitched roof  Date Valid:9/Oct/2023  Decision Expected:27/Nov/2023 Consultation Date - 10/Oct/2023 Ref: AVA/2023/0676 Address: Keljay Shotblasting Salcombe Road Alfreton Derbyshire  Proposal: Proposed erection of two storey light industrial/office unit and associated parking  Applicant: Keljay Shotblasting & Refurbishment Meadow Lane Industrial Estate Salcombe Road Alfreton DE55 7RG  Date Valid:9/Oct/2023  Decision Expected:27/Nov/2023 |  |
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| Consultation Date - 11/Sep/2023 |  |

## 103/23 To receive written reports from AVBC Councillors

None received

Verbal reports from Councillors G Dolman & K Wood:

AVBC funding for replacement street furniture, a mixture of stainless steel benches, some backless some with arms to aid standing

Borough Councillors have met with AVBC Officers Kirk Monk & Sally Price – Amber Valley have secured funding from Sports England for tennis provisions in Alfreton at the Welfare park, this will include resurfacing and new lighting

The current exercise equipment will have to be relocated

Toilet and changing facilities will be available

The Town Council may wish to explore working with other community groups to setup a trust for the management of the welfare park, which is currently leased to AVBC, a trust will be able to access more funding streams.

**Date of next meeting: 21st November 2023**

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