



## SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Special Projects Group held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, Sherwood Drive, New Ollerton**

**Present:** Cllrs R Shilling (Chair), R Allwood, D Batey, D Cumberlidge (Ex-Officio), R Murray, L Shilling and B Wells

Mrs K Wakefield (Clerk), Mrs J Fletcher (Deputy Clerk)

One member of the public

**Apologies:** Cllr P Hancock for personal reasons

**Declarations of Members Interests:** None

**Declaration of Any Intentions to Record the Meeting:** None

**SP/19/45 To receive and agree the Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Special Projects Committee held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

The Minutes, having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.

**Proposed:** Cllr L Shilling  
**Decision:** Nem-Con

**Seconded:** Cllr D Cumberlidge

**SP/19/46 Town Centre Development:**

1. To receive and discuss any further information regarding the former Courtaulds site

The Clerk tabled an email from the agent informing the Council that the site has been advertised on various sites and a number of enquiries had been received. These had mainly been for retail with housing accommodation above. No firm offers had been received as yet.

2. To receive any updates from the Clerk regarding partnership arrangements with NSDC

The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held with Cllr D Cumberlidge regarding her plan for the future development of the town. A meeting had also been held with District Council Officers regarding premises for the siting of the hub.

The Clerk informed members that a meeting regarding the One Public Estates workshop had been arranged for Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 4.30pm prior to the Planning Committee meeting.

Cllr R Shilling informed members that he had recently visited the Outreach service located at the Town Hall and reported that it was very busy with people queuing up in the corridor and partners sitting in the lift lobby upstairs and in front of the lift downstairs.

Temporary suggestions for other locations were discussed including a room at the Lifespring Centre and possibly stripping out of the Town Hall garage and office space. The Clerk is to take this suggestion to the next partnership meeting and look into it further.

SP/19/47

## Playparks and Green Open Spaces

1. To receive any relevant updates from Cllr Murray, Chairman of FUBB

Deferred to the next Special Projects meeting.

2. To receive information regarding a free tree scheme from NSDC

Following discussion it was agreed by **Nem-Con decision** that the Special Projects committee would like to recommend that the Town Council accept the offer from the District Council and that this recommendation would be taken to the next Full Council meeting.

Members noted that there would be some future cost implications regarding planting and maintenance of the trees.

Members were also informed that the Woodland Trust were also currently running a free tree scheme.

3. To receive a request from OVRA

Discussion took place regarding the planting of trees on Mill Field. It was agreed by **Nem-Con decision** that the information would be taken to the next FUBB Working Party meeting for their recommendation on the relevant species of tree.

4. To receive any relevant updates regarding Phase 3 of Central Park

- a) To receive a report from the Playpark Working Group

### ***Standing Orders were suspended at this time.***

The Deputy Clerk gave an update on the recent Playpark meeting and presented various costings and designs to members. The Clerk recommended that rather than looking at items from various suppliers, several contractors should be approached for their quotations to provide the required equipment and installation works.

The Amenity Foreman confirmed to members that the bins that had been removed from Forest Road were unsuitable for use on Central Park. Members asked that the Amenity Foreman work with the Playpark Working Group with regards to the provision of litter bins.

The Clerk reported that she was still awaiting confirmation of the S106 monies available to the Town Council and that this was due to delays caused by the recent flooding emergency in the area and the District Council Officers being deployed to assist with the clean up operation.

Cllr R Shilling thanked the PWG for their hard-work and Cllr D Cumberlidge thanked the Deputy Clerk for her presentation of the information.

The Clerk reported that funding was due to become available to be used for professional demonstrations and training of members of the skate boarding.

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## Correspondence

None.

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**Date of Next Meeting:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 6.30pm

**Meeting closed at 19.35pm**