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The Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 12th June 2024 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs L Brazier (Town Mayor), D Batey, P Beedle, A Brazier, J Munroe, M Pringle, D Shelton, L Shilling, R Shilling, M Staley, S Willis

Mrs K Wakefield – Clerk Mrs Janine Fletcher – Deputy Clerk

APOLOGIES: Cllrs R Fazil who was attending Councillor training and G Lake for personal reasons

Resolved: that these apologies be accepted

Declarations of members interests: None

Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting: None

In the absence at the start of the meeting of Cllrs L Brazier and R Fazil, Cllr D Batey was elected to chair the meeting.

24/72 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 15th May 2024

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

24/74 Clerks Report *(not already covered on the agenda)*

The Clerk informed members that confirmation of attendance at the Holocaust Centre event was required as soon as possible.

Regarding the plimsolls that are hanging from the wires near to Asda, the Clerk had contacted Openreach, they were due to send an engineer but as this had not taken place the Clerk will revisit this.

24/75 To suspend Standing Orders to allow for:

1. Questions or Statements from Members of the Public

None present.

24/76 To resume Standing Orders

Not applicable.

24/77 To receive any Questions to Council from Members

None.

24/78 Junior Town Council

1. To receive an update on JTC activities

Cllr A Brazier gave a brief report on the recent JTC meeting which had been very positive.

Inspector Charlotte Ellam had given a very informative presentation on her career within the Police Force and took questions from the JTCllrs.

The sunflower competition was gathering pace in all schools.

Six members of the JTC were moving on to Secondary School in September.

Road Safety Day of Action – all schools are preparing for this event.

24/79 Finance & Audit

1. To receive the schedule of accounts for payment

The Schedule of Accounts for Payment was tabled, duly approved and signed.

The Clerk as RFO reminded members that all invoices were available on the table for inspection at this meeting.

2. To receive a verbal report from the Clerk regarding Council Insurance

The Clerk reminded members that we were in the final year of a 3 year agreement. Members need to be aware that there is a possibility that there could be a sharp increase when it is renewed next year due to global events.

3. To receive an application for grant funding from the gardening group, St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Boughton

Following discussion it was agreed that the sum of £800.00 be awarded to St Joseph's Catholic Primary School.

Decision: Nem-con

24/80 Special Projects

Items 1 and 2 deferred to the end of the meeting.

3. To receive a verbal update from the Town Clerk regarding a proposed Banking Hub and the installation of Footfall indicators

The Clerk reported that she had spoken with Cash Access, the company bringing banking hubs to local areas without access to a bank, who had confirmed that nothing has been done to secure any premises in Ollerton at this time.

Cash Access had visited Ollerton and were open to linking with the new development. The Clerk and Deputy Clerk had recently met with the new Postmaster who had also confirmed his interest in being part of the new development.

Cash Access have a preference for standalone premises and will be putting out their own statement regarding the Banking Hub in due course.

The Clerk will, after consultation with the District Council Communications Team, prepare a statement for the local community prior to the General Election.

24/81 Environment Committee

1. Mill Field

Nothing further to report.

2. Playpark repairs

The Clerk reported that the timber ramps had now been demolished and the concrete slab is safe to use. It is proposed that it be left for novice and young skateboarders and contact is being made to explore the possibility of having roadways and games painted on it. Gym equipment is also being looked into.

Cllr L Brazier joined the meeting at this point.

24/82 Events

1. D Day 80 Anniversary – 6th June 2024 – update from Cllrs L Brazier/M Pringle

Cllr M Pringle thanked Paul and Rob (Town Hall staff) for setting up for the D Day 80th Commemoration event.

The 'Tommies' supplied by the ATTFF were brilliant and have been donated to OBTC for future events.

The event had been well attended and Cllr Pringle gave his thanks to Rev Richard, Liz Phillips and Janine Fletcher (RBL) for their assistance.

Cllr Pringle was also thanked for all his hard work in organising this event.

The Clerk presented ideas for bringing the community together to commemorate the Armistice in November similar to the River of Poppies in 2018. To be discussed further at the Events Working Party meeting.

24/83

Outside Bodies

1. To receive a report from Cllr L Brazier regarding Lifespring Centre

Cllr L Brazier gave a brief report on the Lifespring Centre.

Currently activities are taking place at the Centre almost every day of the week including free meals, friendship group, memory café, activities for young people etc.

Members of the Centre are always willing to help and everything is going well.

2. To agree the reports for the next meeting

Cllrs L Shilling and B Wells – Sherwood Crematorium
Cllr G Lake – The Furniture Project

24/84

To receive the draft minutes of the following committees and working parties and note the decisions made thereto:

The following minutes were noted and acknowledged.

1. Environment Committee – 14th May 2024
2. Junior Town Council – 21st May 2024
3. Planning Committee – 28th May 2024
4. Finance & Audit – 5th June 2024

24/85

Correspondence

1. Letter from resident raising concerns about the state of the town

The Clerk presented an anonymous letter from a local resident regarding various issues within the Town which for the most part were not within the control of the Town Council.

As the letter was anonymous the Council could not respond to the resident.

24/86

To note items for inclusion on future agendas

Awaydays for youngster to be added to the next Events Working Party agenda.

Special Projects

Item deferred from earlier in the meeting.

To receive any relevant updates and agree future actions regarding the following:

1. To receive any relevant updates on Town Centre Regeneration and the Levelling up Fund

Cllr R Shilling gave a brief update on the recent Special Projects meeting. Following a presentation by Officers of the District Council, a healthy debate took place.

Confirmation is still awaited from other partners and the cost of the project is increasing. Members present made at the SP meeting made a recommendation that the Town Council confirm their continued support of the project subject to certain criteria being met.

2. To receive a recommendation from the Special Projects Committee on formal arrangements for the Town Centre Regeneration Project

Approve the Town Council land going into the scheme at nil consideration subject to:

- a) The new hub providing sufficient, exclusive and enclosed space within the larger intended building together with all necessary shared facilities for new OBTC offices.
- b) The new OBTC offices being made available for the lifetime of the new hub building (by way of a minimum lease of 99 years preferably up to 999 years).
- c) That OBTC secures an appropriate overage* on both of its existing sites in Ollerton if those sites should ever be sold (together or individually, or in part) for a purpose other than for, or a use involving, or allied to, public service.

**Details on the overage to be negotiated through the HoTs discussions.*

Proposed:	Cllr M Pringle	Seconded:	Cllr D Batey
Decision:	For – 10	Against – 0	Abstention – 1

To note the date and time of the next meeting

Wednesday 24th of July at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.25pm