

# STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020 on Zoom.Us at 7.15 pm

Present :

Councillor N Dobson

Councillor A Donaldson

Councillor C Fraser (Mayor)

Councillor M Jones

Councillor H Reed

Councillor M Roake

Councillor G Rose

Councillor R Taylor

Absent: Cllr Bevis, Cllr Janes and Cllr Reed.

Attendance on Zoom: No members of the public

Emma Lindsay (Town Clerk) and Louise Plumridge (Assistant Town Clerk)

RESOLUTION  
for each item the  
proposer is named first  
followed by the seconder

- TC/122/20 PUBLIC SESSION  
No members of the public were present.
- TC/123/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  
Apologies were received from Cllr Janes and Cllr Reed.  
The apologies were accepted by the members present.
- TC/124/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS  
No interests were declared and consequently no written requests for dispensation had been received.
- TC/125/20 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING  
**The minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 01.10.2020 having been circulated and publicised prior to the meeting, were taken as read and approved for signature by the Chairman as a true and correct record.**
- TC/126/20 APPROVAL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES  
i. Finance and Personnel Committee – 29.10.20  
**There were no recommendations to approve.**
- TC/127/20 i. BUDGET COMPARISON AT 30.09.2020  
**The Council resolved to approve budget comparison as at 30.09.2020.**  
  
ii. PAYMENTS FOR INVOICES IN EXCESS OF £2000.  
**There were no payments in excess of £2000 needing approval.**
- TC128//20 APPROVE DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATION TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT DOORS FOR STATION ROAD TOILETS.  
Having considered the previously circulated report  
**The Council resolved to approve the decision made under delegation to purchase replacement doors for Station Road toilets.**
- TC/129/20 SPEED SURVEY REPORT AND LOCATION OF SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES  
Having considered the previously circulated report  
**The Council resolved to approve the locations for speed indicator devices at Site 1 – Newton Hill, Site 2 – Bath Road and Site 3 Manston Road and the implementation of the scheme.**

Cllr Roake  
Cllr Rose

Cllr Donaldson  
Cllr Roake

Cllr Taylor  
Cllr Rose

Cllr Rose  
Cllr Dobson

Cllr Rose  
Cllr Jones

Chair's initials

TC/130/20 DORSET COUNCIL CAR PARKS  
Having considered the previously circulated report  
**The Council resolved to instruct the Town Clerk to write to Dorset Council opposing the proposed changes to Dorset Council car park charges.**

Cllr Roake  
Cllr Donaldson

TC/131/20 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT  
The Town Clerk's report, having previously been circulated, was noted. DAPTC AGM 14<sup>th</sup> November – Cllrs Fraser and Taylor confirmed they would attend. The Town Clerk also advised that guidelines for the November lockdown had been released in phases and she had just heard today that outdoor gyms and skate parks should be closed to the public.

TC/132/20 TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT  
The Town Mayor Cllr Fraser advised he would be laying a wreath on behalf of the Town abiding by social distancing guidelines.

TC/133/20 DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT  
The Dorset Councillor's report, having previously been circulated, was noted.

TC/134/20 MEMBER INFORMATION  
*Cllr Rose* – message from Cllr Reed – the Christmas Lunch she normally organises has been cancelled, but she will be providing a Christmas Lunch delivery service to peoples' homes.  
*Cllr Jones* – suggested Cllr Reed might be able to benefit from The Pantry food supplies for her deliveries. He advised some trees had been felled in Rixon Close as their roots were interfering with the drainage.  
Cllr Jones also expressed his thanks to L Plumridge for her successful application for The Exchange – they have received £59,000.  
*Cllr Donaldson* – advised members on a number of tree applications for the Sturminster Newton area.

TC/135/20 To decide whether to exclude members of the press and public for confidential matters (pursuant to Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Section 1(2).

Cllr Fraser  
Cllr Donaldson

TC/136/20 The Council received a verbal report from Cllr Roake regarding Sturfit Leisure Centre.

The meeting was declared closed at 8.16pm.

Approved on ..... Chair's signature.....

Chair's initials