

STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Held on 4TH October 2018 in the Council Chamber at 7.15 pm

Present :

Councillor L Chater	Councillor H Lacey (Mayor)
Councillor A Donaldson	Councillor G Rose
Councillor C Fraser	Councillor R Taylor
Councillor V Fox	
Councillor M Jones (Deputy Mayor)	

Absent: Councillor P Batstone

In attendance: District Councillor M Roake Mrs Emma Lindsay (Town Clerk), Mrs Louise Plumridge, 1 member of the public was present and Ms Jane Piper from Intelligent Land

Minute No.	COMMENTS	RESOLUTION <small>for each item the proposer is named first followed by the seconder</small>
18/235	PUBLIC SESSION Jane Piper of Intelligent Land gave a presentation on the proposed planned development at North Honeymead Fields. She outlined the public consultation which would include displays at the Leisure Centre, The Exchange and their website.	
18/236	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr Batstone. These apologies were accepted by the Members present.	
18/237	DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS Cllr Fox advised, as a member of the North Dorset Planning Committee he would not participate or vote on the planning application under Agenda Item 18/241.	
18/238	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the previous meeting held on 6th September 2018, 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.	Cllr Donaldson Cllr Taylor
18/239	APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS i. Finance and Personnel – The minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee held on 13 th September 2018 had been circulated and publicised in draft form. The Council RESOLVED to approve the recommendations contained therein. i – Amenities Committee – The minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 27 th September 2018 had been circulated and publicised in draft form. The Council RESOLVED to approve the recommendations contained therein	Cllr Rose Cllr Taylor
18/240	FINANCIAL MATTERS <u>i. Approval of Payments</u> The list of payments detailed below and checked by Cllrs Chater and Fox were APPROVED . <u>ii. Budget Comparison and Statement Earmarked Reserves as at 30th</u>	Cllr Chater Cllr Jones

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and everyone involved in the commemoration activities.

18/245 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

District Councillors Fox and Roake's reports, having been previously circulated are included at the end of these minutes.

Cllr Fox also reported Mr Matt Prosser had been elected Chief Executive of the new Dorset Council and that Mr Stuart Caundle has become interim Chief Executive of North Dorset District Council.

18/246 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Batstone is away at present.

18/247 TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

Cllr Lacey reported that she had attended 3 civic events during September; West Dorset Civic Day, North Dorset Civic Day which was held at the Cheese Festival and the Freedom of the Rifles in Sherborne.

18/248 DAPTC AND NALC

No reports for Members' attention had been received.

18/249 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk had previously circulated her report, work priority concentrating on the budget. She had also attended a Clerks' Seminar with the Assistant Town Clerk which included a very useful presentation on preparations for the Elections in 2019.

The Town Clerk also reminded Councillors that from October onwards the office would be using the new Town Councillor emails only, phasing out the use of personal emails.

18/250 CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk advised an email request had been received from the Rotary to ask permission for the Santa Stride in December. She will respond positively to the request.

18/251 INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

Cllr Rose – Sturminster Newton Youth Club have made 550 felt poppies which will be sent out to Ypres, Belgium as part of a work of art at St George's Memorial Church for Armistice Day on 11th November. An article is in this week's edition of the BVM.

Cllr Fox – Noted what a splendid job the new Town Orderly was doing. He also is still vexed at the amount of dog fouling in the town. Cllr Fox is also attending the special service for the Licensing of the new vicar, The Rev'd Philippa Sargent, at St Mary's Church.

Cllr Lacey – Cllr Jones is also attending the Licensing of name on her behalf. She also advised that the Cheese Festival now have a grant funding scheme to allocate to local organisations - the deadline to apply is in December 2018.

Cllr Fraser – advised U3A are presented a lecture on the history of port on 18th October.

Cllr Donaldson – attended a Governors' meeting at William Barnes. The roll count is 184 but they anticipate this to rise with the new developments and Stepping Stones, the pre-school, having completed their extension and can now take more children.

He also endorsed Cllr Fox's comments about the new Town Orderly.

The meeting closed at 8.26pm.



Sturminster Newton Town Council

Expenditure transactions - approval list

Start of year 01/04/18

Tn no	Cheque	Gross	Vat	Net	Invoice date	Details	Cheque Total
1798	BACS1810 08H	£88.28	£14.71	£73.57	28/09/18	Northover G & Sons Ltd - Fuel	£223.47
		£223.47	£33.35	£190.12		Northover G & Sons Ltd - Total	
1793	BACS1810 08I	£960.00	£160.00	£800.00	01/10/18	PKF Littlejohn LLP - Limited Assurance Review of AGAR Year End 31 Mar 18	£960.00
		£960.00	£160.00	£800.00		PKF Littlejohn LLP - Total	
1784	BACS1810 08J	£11.30	£1.88	£9.42	24/06/18	Reach Publishing Services - Advert Ford Transit in Blackmore Vale Magazine	
1785	BACS1810 08J	£461.40	£76.90	£384.50	10/06/18	Reach Publishing Services - Advert Town Orderly in Blackmore Vale Magazine	£472.70
		£472.70	£78.78	£393.92		Reach Publishing Services - Total	
1794	BACS1810 08K	£348.00	£58.00	£290.00	20/09/18	Society Of Local Council Clerks - CPD - Cemetery Legal Compliance 2018	£348.00
		£348.00	£58.00	£290.00		Society Of Local Council Clerks - Total	
1800	BACS1810 08L	£108.88	£5.18	£103.70	25/09/18	Southern Electric - Electricity to Market Stalls	£108.88
		£108.88	£5.18	£103.70		Southern Electric - Total	
1795	BACS1810 08M	£75.10	£0.00	£75.10	30/08/18	Stockley S.A. & Son Plumbers Ltd - Office toilet repair	£75.10
		£75.10	£0.00	£75.10		Stockley S.A. & Son Plumbers Ltd - Total	
1801	BACS1810 08N	£123.77	£15.75	£108.02	30/09/18	The Exchange - Recharges August 2018	£123.77
1		£58.69	£9.78	£48.91		OA Electricity Recharges 2018	
August							
2		£5.81	£0.97	£4.84		OA Alarms Recharges	
August 2018							
3		£12.00	£0.00	£12.00		OA Water Recharges	
August 2018							
4		£27.41	£4.57	£22.84		OA Gas Recharges	
August 2018							
5		£2.60	£0.43	£2.17		OA Refuse Recharges	
August 2018							
6		£17.26	£0.00	£17.26		OA Insurance Recharges 2018	
August							
		£123.77	£15.75	£108.02		The Exchange - Total	

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Financial Budget Comparison

Comparison between 01/04/18 and 30/09/18 inclusive.
Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/18

	2018/2019	Actual Net	Balance
1090 VAT paid	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
1999 Other	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total Office & Administration	£147,878.00	£80,283.18	-£67,594.82
Amenities & Services			
2000 Grounds staff payroll	£116,826.00	£51,760.69	£65,065.31
2010 Workshop premises	£2,652.00	£1,079.99	£1,572.01
2020 Grounds operations	£10,249.00	£6,572.10	£3,676.90
2030 Sports pavilion & facilities	£2,395.00	£864.33	£1,530.67
2040 Town Clock	£546.00	£91.51	£454.49
2050 Play facilities	£8,652.00	£0.00	£8,652.00
2060 Gardens & ornamental	£1,251.00	£659.33	£591.67
2070 Car Parks	£103.00	£0.00	£103.00
2080 Public toilets	£10,197.00	£2,229.46	£7,967.54
2090 Allotments	£52.00	£0.00	£52.00
2100 Cemetery	£1,906.00	£1,096.05	£809.95
2110 Sturminster Mill	£3,502.00	£2,993.54	£508.46
2120 Footway lighting	£4,069.00	£680.02	£3,388.98
2130 Town Centre	£412.00	£11.20	£400.80
2140 Open Spaces	£2,163.00	£0.00	£2,163.00
2150 Benches & Other Infrastructure	£206.00	£0.00	£206.00
2160 Events & Festivals	£309.00	£472.00	-£163.00
2170 Rights of Way	£1,288.00	£0.00	£1,288.00
2180 Traffic management	£515.00	£0.00	£515.00
2190 Tree management	£1,545.00	£0.00	£1,545.00
2999 Other	£0.00	£1.00	-£1.00
Total Amenities & Services	£168,838.00	£68,511.22	-£100,326.78
Capital Projects			
3000 Section 137	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
3010 Grants	£4,481.00	£1,250.00	£3,231.00
3020 Skate Bowl Project	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
3030 Neighbourhood Development Plan	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
3035 WW1 Centenary Commemoration	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
3040 Economic Development Plan	£0.00	£10,000.00	-£10,000.00
3045 Community Resource Support	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total Capital Projects	£4,481.00	£11,250.00	£6,769.00
Total Expenditure	£321,197.00	£160,044.40	£161,152.60
Total Income	£303,832.00	£285,474.07	-£18,357.93
Total Expenditure	£321,197.00	£160,044.40	£161,152.60
Total Net Balance	-£17,365.00	£125,429.67	

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District Councillor's report September 2018.

There was considerable local interest in the September meeting of the NDDC Planning Committee at Durweston Hall when we met to discuss the application by Hall and Woodhouse to develop land adjoining The Bull Inn, following a detailed report by the case officer and submissions by Mr Mark Woodhouse and others including Cllr Charles Fraser on behalf of Newton Residents Association the issue of the Inspector's Review of the emerging Neighbourhood Plan with his comments as yet unresolved became central to the debate and then a proposal by the Planning Committee to defer the application pending a firm decision was proposed, seconded and approved by the committee.

I attended a Members update on the current financial status of the council which showed considerable cost reductions from the decision to form the partnership between NDDC, WDDC and Weymouth and Portland Borough

which bodes well for the formation of the new unitary Dorset Council next year.

At the end of the month a meeting of the Shadow Dorset Authority was held where the main business was the confirmation of Matt Prosser as Chief Executive of the new Dorset Council.

Cllr Victor Fox.

Cllr Michael Roake

October Report Sturminster Newton Town Council.

Sturfit- Leisure Centre

Currently Dorset County Council (DCC) currently holds the lease of the Sturminster Newton Leisure Centre (SNLC) from Mr Pitt-Rivers who owns the freehold.

DCC is reviewing its assets with a view to reducing them and saving costs.

SturFit Trust has operated since November 2011 to provide community access to the leisure centre under licence initially from NDDC and more recently DCC.

Sturfit's Aim is to secure long-term access to sports and leisure for Sturminster Newton and surrounding Parishes through:

- Operating a leisure centre open to the community
- Providing and managing sports facilities to support the local schools and community groups
- Promoting health and fitness for the community

Proposal:

SturFit would like to take on the lease of SNLC, take a sub-lease from DCC who would remain the leaseholder from the freeholder.

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