

AMERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2016

PRESENT: Councillor M Vivis (Town Mayor)
Councillor Mrs J Cook (from 7.45pm)
Councillor M Flys (from 7.45pm)
Councillor Mrs D Kenchington
Councillor M Lacey
Councillor Mrs A Lamont
Councillor H Newton
Councillor A Seymour
Councillor N Shepherd (from 7.50pm)
Councillor Mrs L Staite

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs E. Richardson
Mr S Catanach

69. APOLOGIES: Councillor C Morgan (Deputy Town Mayor)
Councillor Mrs C Jones
Councillor R Jones
Councillor M Phillips
Councillor Mrs L Walsh

70. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
There were no declarations of interest.

71. MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS: The engagements from 25 July to 5 September 2016
had been circulated prior to the meeting and were noted.

72. APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 25 JULY 2016

It was Proposed Councillor A Seymour
Councillor D Kenchington

RESOLVED to
Approve the Amended Minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 July 2016.

73. MATTERS ARISING
There were no matters arising.

74. **COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

i) Planning & Footpaths Minutes 8 August 2016

It was Proposed Councillor M Vivis
Seconded Councillor Mrs D Kenchington

RESOLVED to

Approve the Minutes of the Planning and Footpaths Committee Meetings held on 8 August 2016.

ii) Planning & Footpaths Minutes – 22 August 2016

It was Proposed Councillor M Vivis
Seconded Councillor Mrs A Lamont

RESOLVED to

Approve the Minutes of the Planning and Footpaths Committee Meetings held on 22 August 2016.

iii) Finance & General Purposes Committee – 15 August 2016

It was Proposed Councillor M Vivis
Seconded Councillor A Seymour

RESOLVED to

Approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 15 August 2016.

75. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MEETINGS:**

It was noted that the applicant for Planning Application No. CH/ 3016/1436/FA (Oakdale House, Devonshire Avenue) had contacted the Clerk to question the justification for the comments submitted by ATC on this planning application, agreed at the Planning Meeting held on 22 August 2016. After discussion it was decided that that the comments submitted were a true reflection of the view of the committee and there was no need to amend the comments already made. The Clerk will forward this information to the applicant.

76. **CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:**

There were no matters for discussion.

77. **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:**

There were no matters for discussion.

78. **TO CONSIDER STEVE CATANACH'S REPORT ON THE COST OF RUNNING ATC EVENTS:**

After some discussion, it was agreed that Councillors would need time to digest the information presented and it was agreed to bring the matter to the next Community Services Meeting for further consideration.

79. **MATTERS FOR REPORT:**

a) Presentation from Bucks CC on streamlining local government

The Clerk reported that The Community Engagement Officer at Bucks CC had confirmed that they would like to give a presentation to ATC Councillors at the Community Services meeting on 17th October. After discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk should obtain further information on the items to be discussed and to postpone the meeting until later in the year, to give Councillors time to gather more information prior to meeting with the representatives from Bucks CC.

b) Request for Traffic Calming Measures

Members considered a request from a resident for support in introducing a pedestrian crossing on Hundred Acres Lane (north of the junction with Highmoor). Although Members were sympathetic, it was highlighted that this was a highways issue and therefore not under the remit of the Town Council. It was recommended that the resident refer the matter back to the Highways Department of Bucks CC.

c) Recovery of cost of replacement toilets at Barn Meadow Community Hall

The Town Clerk reported that the Early Years Co-ordinator at Bucks CC had requested Karen Hazell contact the ATC office to discuss reimbursement following her removal of the toilets at the Barn Meadow Community Hall. So far Mrs Hazell has not been in touch but the Clerk will continue to chase.

Part 2

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

That under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they include the likely disclosure of exempt information, stated to be confidential.

80. **ITEM RELATING TO ATC PROPERTY:**

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82. **UPDATE ON PROPERTY PROJECTS:**

Items relating to ATC Properties:

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Chairman Date