

POLICY COMMITTEE
10 May 2016

Present: Councillors Nicholson (Chairman), Mellows, Riley, Swift, Upson, & Westmorland.

Apologies: Councillors Draper, Jones & Wootton.

1 member of the public was in attendance.

355 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda.

The Chairman read out the following statement. Members are referred to, and shall observe, the provisions of the Hemsworth Town Council's Code of Conduct. If a Councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest he/she must, unless a dispensation has been granted, withdraw from the meeting room and take no part in the discussion or vote. If any interest (Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary) has not been entered in the Town Council's register then you must disclose it at the meeting and inform the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the date of initial disclosure. Failure to abide by the provisions of the Code in regard to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests now amounts to a criminal offence.

No disclosures were made.

356 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 15th March 2016, as detailed in Minute Book No. 6, 2015/2016, pages 358 - 360 and as adopted by the Town Council on 22nd March 2016, be received and approved.

357 REVIEW OF TOWN COUNCIL POLICY AS EMBODIED IN MINUTE BOOK No. 7 (2015/2016) – attached.

Members reviewed Minute Book No. 7 which was circulated with the agenda and no matters were raised and the minutes were moved.

358 CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk reported on the following.

a. Tesco - Bags of Help Funding

The Town Clerk gave details of the funding scheme and members discussed various projects that may fit the criteria for applying for the funding.

It was agreed that the Clerk in conjunction with the Chairman of the Town Council considers the projects and submits an application for funding.

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358 CORRESPONDENCE - continued

b. Stanhope Property – Valuation of Portfolio of Properties
It was agreed that the report received be noted.

c. YLCA – Bulletin on National Developments and Meetings
It was agreed that the details received be noted.

359 ALLOTMENTS

The Town Clerk reported on the following

a. To discuss an item of correspondence received – refer to Minute No. 344b
The Town Clerk read out the correspondence received and referred members to the decision made at the Recreation Committee meeting held on 19 April 2016.
It was agreed that a response be sent stating that it is their own responsibility to ensure they have adequate/secure fencing and the same letter is sent to the tenant.

360 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

361 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY – STRATEGIC PLANNING STRATEGY

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

a. Contractual / Legal issues
It was agreed that the updated information provided be noted.

b. City Estate Fitzwilliam
It was agreed that the information relating to the access road be noted.

362 COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

a. Lease renewal
It was agreed that the lease be renewed on a 5 year term with an increase in rental charges to be made each year (increase in-line with inflation).

Meeting closed @ 7.30 p.m.

Tina Pattison
Town Clerk

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