

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Shotton Town Council held on 5th November 2018 in the Shotton Community Centre, Plymouth Street, Shotton at 6.45pm.

Present: Councillor Gary Cooper (Chairman)

Councillors Ron Davies, Sean Bibby, David Evans, Doreen Mackie, Mike Evans, Kelly Evans, Tom Oldfield, Nigel Brown, Elwyn R Jones, Gillian Brockley and Stephen Davies. Rob Dowie.

It was proposed by Cllr. Ron Davies that council observe a minutes silence in respect of World War 1 this was observed.

18/070 Apologies:

Apologies for absence had been received and accepted by Council from Councillor Angela Phillips and the Clerk Mrs Susan Cartwright.

18/071 CCTV Report. Mr Sam Tulley (FCC Streetscene and Transportation) was due to give council an update of the plan for CCTV. Due to sickness he was unable to attend tonight's meeting, however Mr Wayne Jones (Streetscene) read out a report on the subject matter (see Attached) Councillor Sean Bibby who had had meetings with Mr Tulley informed council that progress was indeed being made, GDPR had been a sticking point. Mr Tulley however has been given the "green light" to purchase camera's hopefully by the New Year. Cllr. David Evans pointed out that in the past there had been objections by residents as to the placement of cameras was this likely to happen again? Wayne was unsure but should be the same as the police usage.

The Chairman advised council that this would be an item of agenda at Decembers meeting. Wayne requested that any questions from councillors relevant be forwarded to him to obtain the answers by the next meeting.

18/072 Streetscene: Cllr. Elwyn Jones thanked Wayne for the cleaning of the subway. Cllr. Sean Bibby thanked Wayne for the notice on the caravan finally raised at Alexander St.

Councillor Rob Dowie commented on the abuse of the "One way signage" Alex. St. Police matter. Question prior warning signage for road works in Shotton. Wayne informed that they don't do signage for work that is less than 3 days.

Cllr Kelly Evans reported the "Travelling Caravan" in the Higher Shotton area appearing at different locations. Hedges at ASDA vacant property overgrown covering the street lights. Question regarding the "vacant plot" belonging to ASDA Wayne advised this is private land therefore could not comment.

Cllr Mike Evans thanked Wayne for all his help dealing with "fly tipping" etc. looking forward to the use of CCTV.

Cllr. David Evans raised the issue of the PSPO notices for 33 club they will be in place once received.

Wayne notified council that the tree in Rowley's Drive would have to come down because it is now a hazard. New trees will be planted.

Chairman thanked Wayne for his report.

Declaration made by Members in accordance with Councils Code of Conduct:

See 18/077

18/073 Minutes of Council:

Cllr Mike Evans asked for an amendment to item 18/061 that Chevrons Rd. Clwyd St. North Street and Central Dr. be included. (Omitted from Oct. minutes) This was agreed.

The Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Shotton Town Council held on 1st October 2018 were then approved as a true record and authorised to be signed by the Chairman.

18/074 Chairman's Remarks:

Confirmed that Inspector Gareth Cust will visit at Decembers meeting.

Visited St.Ethelwolds primary school for presentation of the commemoration of the ending of hostilities of the 1st World War (1914-1918) Ten pupils have been chosen to place a Poppy each at the war memorial on Monday 12th November 2018 1000. Each poppy will have the name of the service person who lost their lives in service to the country.

24th October at 1830 Attended Community Group Meeting at Parc Adfer. Plant is on schedule and within budget. Completion April/June 2019 commercial operation commences Oct-Dec 2019. The recruitment of local candidates for employment has been exceptional. Quote the Plant Manager "very impressed with the qualifications" in fact he stated they were superb. Plant itself will be regulated by Natural Resources Wales (NRW) not self when operational. Visitor centre in design state update at next meeting.

Visited Harry Weale vc memorial garden to agree a suitable place to lay the commemorative plaques issued by the MOD to honour Harry Weale vc. Whilst there I witnessed the garden being used as a "drinking den" I need councils agreement that we remove the bushes in the front of the garden (replace with low growing plants?) thereby making the seats and memorial more visible to the public and hopefully deter the misuse of the garden. - Action Unanimously agreed.

Cllr. Sean Bibby and Chairman asked all councillors to respond to the invite to the ceremony of the unveiling of the plaques, after discussion it appeared that all councillors had responded (breakdown in communication from FCC)

Cllr. Bibby took delivery of the "memorial plaques" the initial plan was for them to be located on the bridge over the "brook". However Streetscene had received an inflated quote from the stone mason. As an alternative visited the Harry Weale VC memorial garden Shotton and placement of the plaques can be done there within budget. The plaques (Welsh and English) will be on view after the remembrance service on Sunday 11th and will be unveiled by a member of the Weale family and then blessed by the Vicar of St. Mark's church Connahs Quay Rev. Alexier Mayes
Cllr. Doreen Mackie advised that the service on the Monday with participation by children from the local schools all members of the public are welcome.

18/075 Clerks Report (Info read out by Chair.)

This year's winter plan by FCC contact details Mark Middleton on 01352 701234 (Streetscene) Boundary commission info. CAB annual report available (Office) Letter of thanks gone to Holiday Hunger Programme.

18/076 Police Items: No police presence.. due to it being Bonfire Night.

Cllr. M Evans commented on the presence of a homeless person "sleeping" in the area of Charmley's Lane (West Ward) He reported that local residents found the person to be very intimidating. Cllr Bibby (ward member) has been in touch with Homeless Officer- matter in hand

18/077 Financial Assistance: section 137 of the local government act 1972

Applications received from:- **Aston Senior Citizens** grant £300. **Shotton Embroidery** grant £50. **Shotton Community Association** grant £250. **Manley Court Tenants Association** grant £150. **Plymouth Street Friday Club** grant £100 and **Shotton Community Walkers** grant £100 all unanimously agreed. Late applications will be dealt with at the December meeting.

Declaration of interest by **Cllr. E Jones, Cllr. S. Bibby** and **Cllr. D. Mackie**.

Cllr. Bibby informed council that his election pledge to donate 10% of his FCC expenses - £1360 he will, after advice from legal (FCC) donate to Shotton Town Council to be used to help more good causes. Chairman on behalf of council, thanked Cllr. Bibby for his generosity.

18/078 Planning Applications: 18/058995/CM received 19/10/2018

Change of use of a two storey redundant building into a one bedroom dwelling location 6B Chester Rd. West Shotton. Ward member (Cllr. S Bibby) to deal with. No objections STC

18/079 Lighting:

- a) Manweb – None to report.
- b) General – Plymouth Street Car Park, & 13 Brook Rd. (Scottish Power Issue)

18/080 Accounts for Payment:

The accounts in the sum of £13106.71 were before Council that evening for payment. It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts in the sum of £13106.71 be approved and payments made.

18/081 Update from delegates serving on Outside Bodies:

See Chairman's report.

18/082 Duration of Meeting:

The Ordinary Meeting of Shotton Town Council commenced at 6.45pm and finished at 7.20pm.

Chairman's Signature

Councillor Gary Cooper