

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Shotton Town Council held on Monday 3rd June 2019 at 6.45pm in the Shotton Community Centre, Plymouth Street, Shotton.

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Present: Gillian Brockley (Chair)

Councillors Sean Bibby, Doreen Mackie, E R Jones, Rob Dowie, Nigel Brown, Ron Davies, Kelly Evans, Angela Phillips, Gary Cooper, David Evans, Mike Evans, Tom Oldfield, Aaliyah Rugg (Leader reporter) and Wayne Jones (Streetscene, FCC).

19/019 Apologies:

Apologies had been received and accepted from Cllr. Steven Davies and Inspector Gareth Cust.

19/020 Declaration made by members in accordance with Councils Code of Conduct:

None reported.

19/021 Minutes of Council:

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Shotton Town Council held on 13th May 2019 were before Council for approval. The Minutes were approved and authorised to be signed by the Chair.

19/022 Chair persons Remarks:

The Chair, Councillor Gillian Brockley informed members that her first month as Chair had been a quiet one and reported the following:

- 16th May 2019, met with Councillor Ron Davies, Councillor Gary Cooper and Richard Roberts (Aura Wales) at North Street playing field to discuss the possible purchase and installation of a new inclusive roundabout for the park. Clerk will give the financial details in her report.
- 21st May 2019, with the vice-chair Councillor Bibby, attended a lunch at Cambrian Aquatic Sports Centre hosted by Digging Deeside, Rainbow Biz with one of their funders (The Health Lottery). We saw what has been achieved at the allotments in Connah's Quay. It

was very inspiring to see what can be achieved, bringing people of the community together. It was a highly enjoyable couple of hours and very impressive to see what the very hard work and determination of Digging Deeside have achieved so far.

- I am hoping to arrange a meeting with Inspector Gareth Cust North Wales Police, to discuss a solution to the ongoing problem of cycling on our pavements through Shotton Town Centre.
- Will be attending North Wales Super kids on Thursday at 11am. Any member wishing to attend are also more than welcome.

19/023 Police Items:

Apologies had been received from the Inspector prior to the meeting. The following will be reported to the Inspector by the Clerk.

- Concerns about anti social behaviour Summerfield car park – possible knives involved – any possibility area could be blocked off. Member advised it was a Connah's Quay issue and appreciated those residents in Brook Road had concerns. Clerk to write to Connah's Quay Town Council with regard to this issue. Mr Wayne Jones replied to member saying this is a public car park and cannot be closed off.
- There had been concerns at Cornwall Road garage site – but member was happy at the moment issue resolved.
- Cyclist and pedestrian collision Chester Close – Police matter need to report to 101. Drinking still happening in areas around Shotton, member feels Shotton neglected.

At this point Councillor R Dowie gave apologies and left the meeting – accepted.

- Trial Bikes out and about on the streets Clwyd Street, Cornwall Road.
- Terraced House, Ash Grove concerns drug activity? Member advised to ring 101 at the time of incident or concerns.
- Member commented that the residents of Shotton rely on councillors to put their concerns forward. Councillor replied saying Shotton Town Council and Flintshire County Council have a Duty of Care to all residents in Shotton.

The chair advised that people can email the police as well as ringing 101 to log complaints.

Member advised that he had spoken to Pc Huxley who informed him that an additional PCSO would soon be working with him.

Update on rough sleeper's, Cllr. David Evans (East Ward) advised he had spoken to housing and they had offered accommodation (In Flint) to persons but they had refused. If they are breaking the law it is a police matter. Cllr David Evans also informed council that discussions were taking place with owners of a building in Connah's Quay with the possibility to accommodate these people on a temporary basis.

19/024 Street scene:

Mr Wayne Jones was welcomed to the meeting and he reported that the railings had been ordered to replace damaged ones in the High Street.

Cllr. David Evans and Cllr Sean Bibby reported the following:

- Surveillance Cameras had been delivered and site visits by officials to decide where they will be placed was ongoing, also a letter to all residents was being delivered informing them of what is happening. Clerk to email to all members copy of the letter which will be delivered to residents – for their information.
- Fly tipping – still problem no change.
- Two curb stones very loose – damaged by heavy vehicle – near junction of Central Drive and Shotton Lane. – Wayne reported that this problem was in hand.
- Member raised concern about parking Shotton Lane (by safe route to school) Parents dropping off and collecting children from Venerable Edward Morgan School. Suggested the possibility of creating "bays" in that area, however currently there is no funding available.

The Chair thanked Mr Jones for attending the meeting.

19/025 Clerk's Report:

The Clerk reported the following to council:

- Letter had been received from Aston Park Rangers Football Club informing council that they would be holding their 5th Annual Summer Football Tournament from Friday 21st / Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd June at Higher Shotton Sports & Community Centre (North Street playing field)
- Correspondence from Councillor S Bibby re- Bays High Street, Shotton, had been sent out to all members.
- Summer Play Scheme – 33 Club playing field – will continue this summer – Also, the "Share your Lunch Scheme" will continue number of attending approximately 30 each day this figure might change as parents have to register their children for the lunch. Cllr Ron Davies asked for letter of thanks to go to Janet Roberts thanking them for all the hard work in organising these schemes which are very successful.
- New number 9 bus service – sent out to all members for information. Timetable from Ruth Cartwright Flintshire County Council.
- Match funding proposals for the "inclusive" roundabout for North Street play area. Costing £13300, match funding budget £10k, 5k from FCC and 5k from Shotton Town Council, funding from Park Adfer 2k would contribute towards the scheme. Short fall of £1300. It was proposed seconded and agreed that the £1300 be taken from the holding account and

works to be carried out as soon as possible, hopefully completed for the school summer holidays.

- Environmental and parking enforcement funding scheme – Clerk had sent out this information with agendas and it was agreed that this item be placed as an agenda item for the July meeting.

19/026 Planning Applications:

The attached list of Planning Application observations made by Council would be forwarded to the Chief Planning Officer to be reported to the next Planning Committee Meeting.

19/027 Lighting:

- a) **Manweb** - None to report.
- b) **General** – None to report.

19/028 Accounts for Payment:

a) The accounts in the sum of **£8789.53** were before council this evening for approval (copy of accounts given to members prior to the meeting) It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts in the sum of **£8789.53** be approved and payments made.

b) Clerk advised that the Internal Audit had been completed and returned 28th May and picked up 3rd June 2019. Clerk reported comments made and it was proposed seconded and agreed by council that the comments be noted and implemented. The Financial regulations need to be amended to allow for any other bank transfer other than Clerks salary to be included and two signatories for bank transfers be signed on voucher slips to confirm approval.

19/029 Members Information:

Cllr. Gary Cooper asked if Ysgol Ty Ffynnon had received confirmation of the change in the Minor Authority Governor from this council. Clerk advised that she had sent letter and had received verbal confirmation letter had been received.

19/030 Duration of Meeting:

The Ordinary meeting of Shotton Town Council commenced at 6.45pm and finished at 7.23pm.

Chair persons signature
Councillor Gillian Brockley

