

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Shotton Town Council held on Monday 8th July 2019 at 6.45pm in the Shotton Community Centre, Plymouth Street, Shotton.

Present: Councillor Sean Bibby (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors E R Jones, R Dowie, N Brown, R Davies, Kelly Evans, Angela Phillips, G Cooper, D Evans, M Evans, T Oldfield and Andrew Nuttall (reporter)

19/031 Apologies:

Apologies had been received and accepted from Councillors Doreen Mackie, Gillian Brockley and Steven Davies.

19/032 Declaration made by members in accordance with Councils Code of Conduct:

None reported.

19/033 Minutes of Council:

To receive and confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Shotton Town Council held on Monday 3rd June 2019 and to authorise the Minutes to be signed by the Vice-chairman.

19/034 Chair's Remarks:

Apologies for absence had been received from the Chair. See attached report.

19/035 Police Items:

There was no police present and the following matters would be reported to them by the Clerk.

- Anti Social behaviour Summerfield Car park – youths driving round car park at night. Member advised that PC Huxley responded immediately, ongoing request for barrier to be placed, member was advised that no barrier could be placed as this was a public car park and access to job centre for disabled this way. It is a police problem. Member advised that residents need to contact police (101, email) data needed to be collected for any type of dispersal order to be put in place. Time scale in response from 101 was a concern some people waiting 10 -15minutes, residents afraid of reprisals.

- Vice Chair would write to residents in Brook Road explaining situation. Also, he would speak to Streetscene regarding barrier.
- Question asked to whether FCC wardens could look at patrolling this area?
- Member advised for information that he had taken photos and passed them onto police with regard to motorcycle on 33 Club playing field.
- Concerns about drinking on the streets on increase, Clerk to get clarification from FCC and police with regards to drinking on streets and what the law is?

The Clerk would inform the Inspector of all the above concerns.

19/036 Streetscene:

There was no officer present and the following would be reported to him:

- Abandoned trolleys (ASDA & B&M) both stores are aware of this problem.
- Fly tipping – still ongoing Chester Road East a lot better.
- Cameras in place seem to be doing the job. Salisbury Street next area for camera. Commercial waste becoming a problem and also HMO residents not getting rid of waste properly. Member thanked Both Councillors Sean Bibby & David Evans for getting cameras in place.
- Residents in flats above B&M dropping waste on pavements – Vice Chairman advised this was in hand.
- People sleeping rough in the town – Clerk reported on email received from police who were aware of three homeless persons in Shotton and had spoken to all. FCC has a homeless officer Yvonne Ward who was working with police on this matter. Request for housing officer to attend meeting to explain what powers they have with regard to these homeless people.

19/037 Clerk's Report:

Clerk reported following:

- Invitation to council to join Connah's Quay & Shotton Interservices Committee for A Special Service Commemorating 75years of the **D-Day Landings** (6th June 1944) on **Saturday 17th August 2019**. Assemble at the war memorial at 10.45hrs for short service, act of remembrance, Last Post, Reveille, Exhortations and laying of wreathes.
- North & Mid Wales Association of Local Councils AGM to be held on Friday 19th July at 10.30am at Civic Hall, Connah's Quay.
- Roundabout for North Street playing field had been ordered and would be put in place as soon as it arrives. There will be no need to close the play ground.
- Authority for the Clerk, Chair and Vice-chairman to carry out any matters throughout the August recess, this was unanimously agreed.

19/038 Planning Applications:

The attached list of observations were reported to the Chief Planning Officer.

19/039 Environmental & Parking Enforcement Funding Scheme:

This was agreed to be placed as an item of agenda for discussion this month. The correspondence had been sent out with papers for the June meeting.

After discussion it was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed by all members present that Shotton Town Council DO NOT participate in this scheme and the Clerk advise Flintshire County Council of this decision.

19/040 33 Club – Charges:

Member advised that a sub-finance meeting had been called to discuss the fees for the coming season on 33 Club football pitch. After discussion on maintenance, water and electricity bills, proposal was made that the fees for the 2019 / 2020 season be increased to £200 to cover costs etc. The proposal was seconded and vote was unanimously agreed by members present.

19/041 Lighting:

a) **Manweb** – None to report

b) **General** – Outside No. 7 Clarence Street / Strickland Street light on all the time – Clerk advised that Shotton Town Council only pay for electricity Dusk till Dawn.

Clerk to report to Flintshire lighting the island light opposite B&M which has been knocked down needs repairing as soon as possible.

19/042 Accounts for Payment:

The accounts in the sum of **£8308.52** were before council that evening for approval. It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts in the sum of **£8303.52** be approved and payments made.

19/043 Members Information:

Member advised that there had been a problem with the website(hacked) and that Mr Steven Tattum would keep the website clean his fee was £50 per annum. Permission for the member to contact Mr Tattum to take on the administration. This was agreed by all members.

Member advised that the two Streetscene street cleaners were retiring in September. Vice-Chairman made note of this.

19/044 Duration of Meeting:

The Ordinary meeting commenced at 6.45pm and finished at 7.35pm.

Chair Signature
Councillor Gillian Brockley