

## ASHBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Environment Committee held on Monday 19 November 2018 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ashbourne.

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**Present:** Councillors: A Bates; I Bates; Mrs Brown; S Clayton; Mrs Harris; N Harris; D Moon and Mrs Smith

In attendance: Carole Dean; Town Clerk; Samantha Higton, Assistant Clerk  
Cllr A White and three representatives from Derby Mountain Rescue

**A/18/919 Apologies for absence**

It was agreed to note apologies from Cllr's Mrs Bull and M Spencer

**A/18/920 Variation of Order of Business**

None.

**A/18/921 Declarations of Members Interests**

None received.

**A/18/922 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest**

None.

**A/18/923 Public Questions and Comments – (3 Minutes per speaker a maximum 15 Minutes in total)**

No Members of the public were in attendance.

**A/18/924 Presentation by Derby Mountain Rescue**

The Members of Derby Mountain Rescue gave a presentation to the Committee. They stated that they are a voluntary organisation which was formed in 1964 with 48 teams covering 7 regions. They had received 67 call outs this year, which is the highest in their history; they can only be called out by contacting the police, of which they are officially part of.

**A/18/925 Update re 'Lasting Memorial'**

a) To consider purchasing a plaque for the Lasting Memorial

It was Proposed by Cllr I Bates seconded by Cllr Smith and RESOLVED to purchase a plaque for the lasting Memorial at a cost of £55.30. Members noted that any additional 'characters' over 100 would be 25p.

b) To agree the exact wording for the plaque

It was proposed by Cllr Brown seconded by Cllr Clayton and RESOLVED that the wording be 'To Commemorate Ashbourne Residents Who Have Served In Conflict'

c) To consider a date for putting the Lasting Memorial in situ

Cllr Clayton stated that this would be on the 9<sup>th</sup> December. Members agreed to have a 'dedication' at a date to be agreed.

## **A/18/926 Christmas Light Switch-On – Update**

### a) Members to agree where to locate 'Lost & Found' (concerns raised after last year's event regarding using the Event Officer's room due to Data Protection/GDPR and Confidentiality)

It was proposed by Cllr I Bates seconded by Cllr Brown and RESOLVED that 'Lost & Found' be located with the VIC stall in the Ballroom.

### b) Any other business

The Assistant Clerk state that she had picked up an email earlier in the day from a performer asking if they could attend the event and sing at no cost to the Council. Members agreed that she could perform on the stage in the Ballroom together with the sax quartet.

Cllr's Brown and Smith left the meeting at 7.55pm.

## **A/18/927 Late Night Shopping Update**

### a) Christmas Meeting Update

The Clerk and Cllr Clayton gave an update of the Christmas Committee meeting.

Cllr's Brown and Smith returned to the meeting at 8.00pm.

### b) To consider allowing local organisations to attend the event (providing their own stall/table) at a cost, and allocating on Church Street to provide a 'Market Street'

It was proposed by Cllr I Bates seconded by Cllr A Bates and RESOLVED that local organisations could attend the event (providing their own stall/table) at a cost of £20.00 per stall. They would be located on Church Street to provide a 'Market Street'

### c) Members to agree where to locate 'Lost & Found' (concerns raised after last year's event regarding using the Event Officer's room due to Data Protection/GDPR and Confidentiality)

It was proposed by Cllr Smith seconded by Cllr Moon and RESOLVED that 'Lost & Found' be located In the VIC.

### d) Any other business

The Assistant Clerk stated that the contacts she has for donkeys no longer kept them and they would not be attending the event.

### Soup Box

The Assistant Clerk stated that she had been contacted by a company called The Soup Box who wished to attend the event, offer a range of different flavoured soups. Cllr A Bates suggested that if the District Council agreed they could be located next to the Co-Op on Shawcroft in the ice cream van's location. It was proposed by Cllr A Bates seconded by Cllr Brown and RESOLVED that they be charged £50.00 to attend.

## **A/18/928 To consider the quotations for the 'moving' of the Market Place Christmas Tree location and the Archaeologist**

It was proposed by Cllr I Bates seconded by Cllr Mrs Harris and RESOLVED to appoint Smith Kent Ltd to carry out the works. One Member voted against the decision. Member agreed that the work be done in the New Year.

**A/18/929 Members to make suggestions for the Town Council Policy on Benches following the October meeting**

Member agreed to defer this item until the New Year.

**A/18/930 Bradley Wood**

a) Update re Planting of 125 trees in Bradley Wood

Cllr's A Bates and Clayton stated that they had planted the 125 trees.

b) Update re registering Bradley Wood with the Woodland Trust

The Assistant Clerk stated that she had sent the link to all Members regarding registering with the Woodland Trust.

c) Request to fund/plant a tree in Bradley Wood on behalf of a former Councillor

Members agreed this was a lovely gesture and the trees provided through Woodland Trust be used as a basis for the tree. Cllr A Bates said that he was willing to meet with the family to agree and location and tree type.

It was Proposed by Cllr Smith seconded by Cllr Moon and RESOLVED to suspend Standing Order 3W to continue the meeting.

**A/18/931 Update re Heritage Maps**

The Assistant Clerk stated that with the exception of the Heritage Map on Horse & Jockey Yard they had now been updated.

**A/18/932 Feedback on the Fireworks Event to include Firework Display; Fairground and Peddlers**

Members agreed that the display time of 20 minutes was fine, however they would have like more content. Members stated that there were no issues with the fairground.

Members were concerned about peddlers attending the event and future events. The Clerk advised that she had contacted Derbyshire Constabulary and the Safer Neighbourhood Team asking that a presence be available for the Light Switch-On and Late Night Shopping evening.

**A/18/933 Cllr Brown – Consideration of future possibility of taking on the responsibility of the over-flow car- park**

Members discussed the suggestion. It was Proposed by Cllr Brown seconded by Cllr Clayton and RESOLVED to contact DDDC and ask how open they would be to negotiating the responsibility of the over-flow car park and Fishpond Meadow and also ask for a copy of the covenance.

**A/18/934 From DDDC – Provisional enquiry for Ashbourne Triathlon & Junior Aquathlon to be held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

Members raised No Objection to the event.

**A/18/935 To sign the Minutes of the Environment Committee meetings approved by Full Council**

It was Proposed by Cllr Brown seconded by Cllr A Bates and RESOLVED that the Minutes be signed.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Chairman.....

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