**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH 2018 AT THE OFFICES OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL, VICTORIA HALL, 39, HIGH STREET, OAKHAM**

**PRESENT:**

Cllrs Adam Lowe (Chair), David Romney, Joyce Lucas BEM, Martin Brookes, Daniel Bottomley, Jean Denyer MBE, Anne Skipworth (part), Peter Ind, Zoe Neal

**ABSENT:** Cllrs Paul Buxton, Sally-Anne Wadsworth, Joy Clough

**IN THE PUBLIC GALLERY**: Cllr Alan Walters

**172/18 APOLOGIES - Standing Order 1(u)**

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Buxton due to a prior commitment
2. Apologies were received from Cllr Wadsworth due to personal reasons
3. Proposed these be accepted by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Bottomley

and unanimously resolved

**173/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

1. No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared
2. No other interests were declared

**174/18 MINUTES**

1. Proposed by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Ind and resolved with 7 votes for and 1abstention that the minutes of the meeting of Oakham Town Council held on Wednesday 8th August 2018 were confirmed, signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting

**175/18 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBER’S REPORTS**

Cllr Bottomley gave a verbal report as a representative of the Task and Finish Group and the St George’s Barracks Advisory Group

**176/18 COUNCILLOR’S QUESTIONS**

None received

**177/18 CLERKS REPORT – For information only**

The removal of the floral displays is scheduled for Tuesday 16th October 2018

**178/18 DEPUTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC**

Cllr Alan Walters made a short statement in support of item 10 on the agenda

**179/18 WORKING GROUPS AND STEERING GROUPS STRATEGY**

1. The written report was noted.
2. Cllr Brookes gave a verbal report as a member of the Finance Working Group

**180/18 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

(i)Proposed by Cllr Ind, seconded by Cllr Bottomley and unanimously resolved to approve the Statement of Accounts to 31st August 2018

(ii) Proposed by Cllr Ind, seconded by Cllr Bottomley and unanimously resolved that Members noted the financial budget to 31st August 2018

*At 5.34, Cllr Skipworth arrived at the meeting and gave her apologies for being late*

**181/18 LOCAL PLAN**

1. After much discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ind, seconded by Cllr Brookes and resolved with 8 votes for and 1 abstention that Council will respond to the consultation, and that Cllr Lowe is authorised to submit its comments and views to Rutland County Council on behalf of the Council
2. Proposed by Cllr Ind, seconded by Cllr Bottomley and unanimously resolved that members note that one additional site has been redrawn

**182/18** **AUTHORISATION TO PAY INVOICES OVER £5000**

Prior to the issue being discussed, the Chairman gave a short presentation.

Proposed by Cllr Skipworth, seconded by Cllr Neal and resolved with 8 votes for and 1 against to authorise the following payment:

Martin Cowman Ltd

Invoice No. 6048/6042-4015K for £57,359 + VAT (£68,830.80)

Reconstruction of lower and upper paths in Cutts Close

**183/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP EXPENDITURE**

Proposed by Cllr Ind, seconded by Cllr Lucas and resolved with 7 votes for and 2 against to approve the expenditure

**184/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Proposed by Cllr Ind, seconded by Cllr Bottomley and unanimously resolved to approve the Terms of Reference of the Steering Group

**185/18** **REPRESENTATION ON THE RUTLAND HOUSE COMMUNITY TRUST**

Nominations were invited for a representative:

1. It was proposed by Cllr Skipworth, seconded by Cllr Lucas to elect Cllr Denyer
2. It was proposed by Cllr Brookes, to elect himself. There was no seconder, so the motion fell
3. It was therefore unanimously resolved that Cllr Denyer be duly nominated.

**The Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 6.15pm**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**10h October 2018**

**Chairman**