

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019 AT THE OFFICES OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL, VICTORIA HALL, 39, HIGH STREET, OAKHAM**

**PRESENT:**

Cllrs David Romney (Chair) Jean Denyer MBE, Joy Clough, Alan Walters, Paul Ainsley, Nick Woodley, Paul Buxton, Adam Lowe, Sally-Anne Wadsworth, Ian Razzell, Zoe Neal, Clerk

**ABSENT:** Cllr Mark Lomas

**IN THE PUBLIC GALLERY:** One

**197/19 APOLOGIES**

- (i) Apologies were received from Cllr Lomas due to a prior commitment
- (ii) Proposed these be accepted by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Razzell and unanimously resolved

**198/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- (i) No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared
- (ii) Cllr Woodley declared an interest in items 12 and 17. Cllr Woodley stated he would remain in the room, but would not take part in discussions and in any vote under those item of business
- (iii) Cllr Razzell declared an interest in item 17. Cllr Razzell stated he would remain in the room, but would not take part in discussion and in any vote under that item of business

**199/19 MINUTES**

Proposed by Cllr Walters, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and resolved with 9 votes for and 2 abstentions that subject to an amendment on item 192/19; the minutes of the meeting of Oakham Town Council held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were confirmed, signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

**200/19 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBER'S REPORTS**

- (i) Cllr Clough gave a verbal report on a meeting she attended as Councils representatives for United Charities
- (ii) Cllr Neal gave a verbal report on a meeting she attended as Councils representatives for The Oakham Town Regeneration Task & Finish Group

**201/19 COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS**

None received

**202/19 DEPUTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC**

A member of the public made a deputation in relation to item 7 (i) on the agenda

**203/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

*The deputation was made at this point in relation to planning application 7 (i)*

- (i) 2019/0424/FUL Mr & Mrs Munton  
Construction of an annex and erection of a fence on top of a retaining wall.  
151 Cold Overton Road  
Council acknowledges the effort made in reducing the height of the building but feel it's still outside planning considerations and recommend refusal on the same reasons as before.  
Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Ainsley and resolved with 10 votes for and 1 abstention
- (ii) 2019/1003/CAT Mr Ashton  
Reduce spread of next door 2 wild plum trees (T1 &2) back to boundary or near to it.  
53 Stamford Road  
Recommend approval  
Proposed by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Clough and unanimously resolved

- (iii) 2019/1025/CAT Richard Dexter  
TO25, TO26 & TO27 – yew trees – various works to include crown lifting, cut back branches to give clearance of 1-1.5m.  
TO22 – Hornbeam tree – Cut back of branches to give clearance of 1-1.5m & remove dead wood.  
Chapel Close, Market Place  
Recommend approval  
Proposed by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Razzell and unanimously resolved

**204/19 NOTICE OF INTENTION – LORD NELSON**

Proposed by Cllr Clough, seconded by Cllr Buxton and resolved with 10 votes for and 1 abstention that Council do not have any objections to place tables/chairs on the Market Place

**205/19 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

Proposed by Cllr Woodley, seconded by Cllr Ainsley and unanimously resolved to approve the Statement of Accounts to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and total amount of £33,558.38 expenditure

**206/19 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk tabled correspondence from Rutland County Council, regarding Change Parking Behaviours

**207/19 WORKING GROUPS**

Cllr Wadsworth gave a verbal update from the Promotions and Publicity working group, referring to *appendix (d)*. It was then proposed by Cllr Wadsworth, seconded by Cllr Buxton and resolved with 9 votes for and 2 abstentions to approve the expenditure and purchase of red/white/blue bunting.  
The above report was received and noted by the members

**208/19 PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL BINS - LAND ADJACENT LAND END WAY AND HACKAMORE WAY**

Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Neal and resolved with 9 votes for and 2 abstentions that Council welcomes the provision of 4 additional bins and recommends locating them at the junction of Lands' End Way and Burley Park Way, the junction of Lands' End Way and Pilling's Road, opposite the junction with Maresfield Road and near College Close opposite Lidl. Council also request can considerations be given for recycle bins

**209/19 PAYPHONE KIOSK REMOVAL – COLD OVERTON ROAD/SNOWDON AVE**

Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and unanimously resolved to approve the removal of the kiosk

**210/19 75<sup>TH</sup> VE CHURCH SERVICE**

Proposed by Cllr Lowe, seconded by Cllr Walters and resolved with 10 votes for and 1 against that Council allocate in the 2020 budget £600 for the 75<sup>th</sup> VE Service Booklet and advertising banner

**211/19 ENHANCEMENTS TO THE OTC WEBSITE**

Proposed by Cllr Ainsley, seconded by Cllr Razzell and resolved with 10 votes for and 1 against by Cllr Lowe, that Council authorise Welland Creative to carry out the work for the changes and authorise the expenditure of £1,680.00 + VAT, and to be taken from Councils reserves

**212/19 RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL – CONDUCT COMMITTEE**

Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Clough and unanimously resolved to appoint Cllrs Neal and Clough as representation to serve on Rutland County Councils Conduct Committee

**213/19 CUTTS CLOSE LETTING**

Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth:

- (i) To grant permission for the hire of Cutts Close on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020 between 12noon – 5pm for a food festival
  - (ii) To grant permission for the hire of Cutts Close on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2020 between 2pm-7pm for the annual Proms in the Park event
  - (iii) To agree a rental fee of £1000 for the food festival, on the condition charity stalls are free of charge, that no ice cream vendor is engaged, the fee is paid up front and is non-refundable
  - (iv) Council authorise Cllr Wadsworth to negotiate on its behalf
- This motion fell with 2 votes for, 6 against and 3 abstentions

It was then proposed by Cllr Walters, seconded by Cllr Clough and resolved with 10 votes for and 1 against by Cllr Lowe to:

- (v) To grant permission for the hire of the area of Cutts Close between Burley Road and the shelter on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020 between 12noon – 5pm for a food festival, subject to the caveats in (vii) below
- (vi) To grant permission for the hire of Cutts Close on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2020 between 2pm-7pm for the annual Proms in the Park event
- (vii) To agree a rental fee of £1000 for the food festival, on the condition charity stalls are free of charge, that no ice cream vendor is engaged, the fee is paid up front and is non-refundable

*Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Woodley and resolved with 8 votes for and 3 abstentions to extend the meeting by thirty minutes to allow for the business to be transacted*

**214/19 GOAL POST NETS**

Proposed by Cllr Wadsworth, seconded by Cllr Razzell and unanimously resolved to purchase 2 heavy weight nets, plus allocate up to £100.00 under the budget heading of Street and Park furniture for £30 each net plus £40.00 for attaching and installation costs

**215/19 UNITED CHARITIES**

Deferred. Proposed by Cllr Walters, seconded by Cllr Wadsworth and unanimously resolved

**216/19 SNOW WARDEN SCHEME**

Proposed by Cllr Razzell, seconded by Cllr Woodley and resolved with 8 votes for and 3 abstentions that due to the short time frame, Council felt it could not express an interest in getting involved in the Snow Warden scheme this year, but may consider winter 2020/21

**217/19 EXEMPT ITEM**

Proposed by Cllr Romney, seconded by Cllr Woodley and unanimously resolved to exclude the Press and Public under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended, during consideration of Item 22 on the Agenda as it concerns confidential and contractual matters

**218/19 MINUTES**

Proposed by Cllr Walters, seconded by Cllr Ainsley and resolved with 9 votes for, 1 against by Cllr Lowe and 1 abstention to confirm the confidential minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**The Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 20.38**

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

**Chairman**