

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 26TH SEPTEMBER 2003

PRESENT

Mrs. Harrison presided over Mesdames Holmes and Reddick, Messrs. Steeples, Fisher, Leith, Dear, Blake, Coward and Fletcher. County Councillor Mr. Younger, District Councillors Messrs. Brown and Birt.

1. APOLOGIES

Messrs, Gray, Mackin and Wren. Mrs. Warwick, P C Battams, District Councillor Mr. Chapman.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING

None

5. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Blake was nominated as the Council's representative on the Bloomfield Games Association.

Mrs. Harrison has completed her four-year term as a Trustee on the Millenium Green Trust but stated that was prepared to 'stand' again for a further term. As such Mrs. Harrison was nominated, seconded by Mr. Fisher and agreed unanimously to be elected.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 An invitation from the Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity to attend a meeting 'Drugs in a Village Environment'

6.2 A copy of Mid Beds District Council's Local Plan

6.3 An invitation from Mid Beds District Council to attend a Partners' Workshop re: Review of Mid Beds District Council.

6.4 An invitation from the Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity to celebrate 50 years of working with rural communities in Bedfordshire.

6.5 An invitation from Bedfordshire Playing Fields Association to attend the A G M on Monday 6th October.

6.6 Two journals received from Bedfordshire County Council regarding the ' Bedfordshire Local Transport Plan Third Annual Progress Report Stakeholder Consultation 2003.

6.7 A brochure from B & H Designs offering their services for the Hearing Impaired.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following were adopted:

Planning and Environmental of 03.09.2003 and 17.09.2003

Services and Maintenance of 10.09.2003

Finance and Policy of 17.09.2003

8. COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

This was given by Mr. Younger.

9. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

This was given by Mr. Brown and Mr. Birt.

10. ACCOUNTS

Accounts as listed in the Minute Book were approved for payment.

11. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A question was asked as to whether or not an increase in recyclable waste could be coped with. It was stated that Shanks and McEwan are meeting the present Government targets of 20%.

It was pointed out that the junction of Victoria Road and Clifton Road is hazardous. A suggestion was made as to whether or not yellow lines could be painted at the appropriate area in order to deter indiscriminate parking. The County Council's Highways Department is to be contacted as to such a possibility.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.
