

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 30TH JUNE 2006

PRESENT

Mr. Mackin presided over Mesdames Harrison, Holmes, Clark and Reddick. Messrs. Dear, Fisher, Steeples and Wren. County Councillor Mr. Younger, District Councillor Mr. Birt.

1. APOLOGIES

Messrs. Coward, Gray and Leith. District Councillor Mr. Brown.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of 26th May 2006 were confirmed and signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

It was stated that the format for the monthly crime report from Beds Police is unlikely to change in the near future.

5. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor informed those present that some work to secure the proposed Tesco retail site had been carried out thanks to persistence of the Town Council, a District Councillor and Beds Police. The Mayor urged everybody to report any incidents of unauthorized intrusions into the site as the Town Council now seems to have a communications path with the store's Head Office.

Two representatives from Beds police will attend the next Services and Maintenance committee meeting to give a presentation on their proposed changes to the 'right turn' hazard on the A507 bypass.

Mr. Wren gave a summary and feedback report on the recent Summer Gala. Some stallholders had already booked for next year and all information received had been very positive. Mr. Wren stated that he had not yet been able to complete a full financial report.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Recorded Crime Incidents – May 2006

6.2 Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents – May 2006

6.3 Invitation to attend the AGM of the Bedfordshire Association of Town and Parish Councils on 25th October 2006 at Cranfield Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

6.4 Mid Beds District Council Forward Plan – 1 June to 30 September 2006

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6.5 Mid Beds District Council Forward Plan – 1 July to 30 October 2006

6.6 Various publications : Local Council Review, Mid Beds Local Strategic Partnership Newsletter Spring 2006, In and Around, Fieldwork – CPRE, Local Councils Update, Countryside Voice – CPRE, Drinking Water Quality Summary Report 2005 – Anglian Water, Town & Parish Standard:07 – Standards Board for England, Watch Wide News, Funding Times, Beds-Spread – N. Beds Council for Voluntary Service, Beds. Parent Partnership News, Poppy Support – Royal British Legion, Be Ready – Age Partnership Group,

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following were adopted :

Planning and Environment of 7th and 21st June 2006

Services and Maintenance of 14th June 2006

Finance and Policy of 21st June 2006

8. COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

This was given by Mr. Younger.

9. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

This was given by Mr. Birt.

10. ACCOUNTS

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

The Annual Accounts for the Year 2006/2006 as Recommended by the Finance and Policy Committee were adopted by the full Council.

11. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Question regarding the prolific weed growth in various areas of the town which is not only unsightly but seriously narrows pedestrian pathways. The County Council is to be contacted accordingly.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.
