

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 25TH JANUARY 2008

PRESENT

Mrs. Harrison presided over Mrs. Reddick. Messrs. Dear, Pollard, Fisher, Coward, Leith and Wren.
PC Busby and PCSO Keen.

1. APOLOGIES

Mesdames Holmes, Clark and King. Messrs. Mackin, Steeples and Gray. District Councillor Chapman.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of 28th December 2007 were confirmed and signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

Concern was raised that the District Council had not replied to a letter enquiring about the possibility of land adjacent to the cemetery being used for burial purposes.

5. POLICE REPORT

PC Busby reported on the incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour that had occurred in the town during January.
Questionnaires will be issued from Beds police requesting residents to complete them by stating three matters that concern them most in respect of policing matters. The police will study the results and put them forward to see if any initiatives can be put in place.

6. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

This could not be given as the Mayor was unable to attend the meeting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1. A blank petition form entitled *Save our Services* has been received from the County Council requesting residents to sign it and hence support them in their application for a single unitary authority.

7.2 Mid Beds Forward Plan – 1 February to 31 May.

7.3 Various publications : Network from BRCC, Clerk & Councils Direct, The Playing Field, Bedfordshire LINK update – January 2008, Freeplay, We Love Bedfordshire – Issue 4 January/February 2008.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following were adopted :

Planning and Environment of 2nd and 16th January 2008.

Services and Maintenance of 9th January 2008.

Finance and Planning of 16th January 2008.

9. COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

This could not be given as Cllr. Younger was unable to attend the meeting.

10. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

This could not be given as no District Councillors were present.

11. ACCOUNTS

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

12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The County Council's Highways Department is to be requested to re-build the grass bank in Lucas Way as it is sliding on to the pathway.

Disappointment was registered that no apologies, representations or reports were received from either the County or District Council representatives.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.