

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN PLAN & INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
THE MARKET HOUSE, TRING ON WEDNESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7:30p.m.**

Present: Councillors: Mrs P. J. Hearn (Chairman)
S. Hearn
M. Hicks
N. Hollinghurst

Also present: Cllr Mrs O. Conway
Cllr G. Wilkins
Mr M. Curry, Town Clerk

17951. APOLOGIES

Councillors H. Grace (family commitment) and Mrs Ransley (prior appointments).

RESOLVED: That the Committee accept the apologies for the reasons given.

17952. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

**17953. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
15TH JUNE 2015**

RESOLVED: To accept the Minutes and for the Chairman to sign them.

17954. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

None

**17955. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE CHAIRMAN MAY
DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

None

17956. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public present

**17957. REVIEW OF THE TOWN PLAN ACTION PLAN INCLUDING REPORTS
FROM THE CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS**

The progress on each of the tasks in the Action Plan. The following points were noted:

- The renovation of the notice boards was complete (except the Forge Car Park) and new town maps will be sourced
- Faulty street lights were an increasing problem. Cllr Hollinghurst reported on Hertfordshire County Council's program of replacement with LED lights
- Blocked Drains. Cllr Hollinghurst reported that drains were cleared on a 18 month rolling programme, but in Tring this had slipped. Where flooding is caused as a consequence for at least 10 hours it is deemed an urgent and will be specifically addressed

- The importance of having a pavement from Pound Meadow, past the Farm Shop to the bus stop
- It was recognized that professional assistance was required to clear the overgrown areas on Footpath 41. Dacorum Borough Council to assist with regard to land ownership
- The need to continue to lobby for the provision of housing suitable for young families in the LA5 development
- The assistance from Dacorum Borough Council on the upgrade to the Christmas lighting infrastructure was welcomed
- Dacorum Borough Council is providing lighting to the fountain in the Memorial Gardens
- Cllrs Mrs Hearn & M. Hicks have written to Hertfordshire County Council on the state of the High Street with photos to illustrate the problems. As a consequence the Deputy Director - Environment (Transport and Environment Management) has instructed their contractor to improve the drainage
- Cllr Hollinghurst provided an update on Highway aspects of the Action Plan
- Sgt Peter Huffer, Safer Neighbourhood Team Sgt, is retiring. His replacement has been invited to the next Council meeting

- RESOLVED:**
- (i) For the Clerk to write to Andrew Freeman, Hertfordshire County Council on the priority need for pavement from Pound Meadow, past the Farm Shop to the bus stop
 - (ii) For Cllr S. Hearn & the Clerk to investigate professional help with regard to the clearance of land adjacent to Footpath 41
 - (iii) To fund the light frames for the extension of the Christmas lights
 - (iv) The Clerk to ask Mr J. Savage for assistance in organising community litter picks
 - (v) Cllr Mrs Hearn to discuss with Tring Together their potential involvement in the engagement of the business and retail community
 - (vi) The Clerk to include a piece/cartoon in the Town Crier to tackle dog fouling
 - (vii) Cllr Mrs Hearn to meet with suitable groups of the Nora Grace Hall users with regard to the provision of parent/child activities.

17958. REVIEW OF THE TOWN PLAN BUDGET

The preliminary budget, circulated prior to the meeting, was reviewed.

RESOLVED: To reallocate the funds from task xxxii promoting the markets in light of the success of the move to Church Square to task xii (a) Streamside Walk.

17959. TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A STREET VACUUM LITTER COLLECTOR

The Clerk explain the repeated concern at the litter in the High Street at the edge of the pavement abutting buildings expressed at 'Meet Your Council' events and in the research conducted for the preparation of the Town Plan. The Clerk and Town Warden attended a demonstration of a Street Vacuum Litter Collector to use to address this. It would also assist in the cleaning of the play areas and Church Square. They recommended its purchase, satisfied that it represented best value given aspects of its design were unique rendering it most appropriate for the task.

RESOLVED: To accept the quotation received from Overton (UK) Ltd for the purchase of a street vacuum litter collector.

17960. TO RECEIVE A VERBAL REPORT OF DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL'S TOWN AND PARISH CLERK CIL MEETING

The Clerk & Cllr Hicks gave a report of Dacorum Borough Council's Town and Parish Clerk CIL meeting, which confirmed details of the CIL process, its application and the likely timing of receipts.

RESOLVED: To note the report.

The meeting ended at 9:57 p.m.

Chairman