

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN PLAN & INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
THE MARKET HOUSE, TRING ON 3rd JULY 2017 AT 8:30p.m.**

Present: Councillors: S. Hearn (Chairman)
H. Grace
Mrs P. J. Hearn
M. Hicks
Mrs R. Ransley
G. Wilkins

Also present Cllr Mrs O. Conway
Mr Michael Curry, Town Clerk
Mrs Dawn Slade, Deputy Town Clerk

2 members of the public

18810. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Hollinghurst (prior appointment).

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies for the reasons given

18811. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

**18812. TO CONSIDER POSSIBLE CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS TO THE
COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED: To retain the existing co-opted members

**18813. TO CONSIDER POSSIBLE WORKING PARTIES/SUB-COMMITTEES
OF THE COMMITTEES**

RESOLVED: To retain the working parties

**18814. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 6TH MARCH 2017**

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

18815. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

None

**18816. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE CHAIRMAN MAY
DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

An invitation had been received from Tring School to attend a meeting on the progress of the proposed new sports facilities.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Grace attend on behalf of the Council

Cllr Mrs Conway briefed Members on the provision of a new swimming pool.

The Clerk reported on a meeting with New Mill representatives intended to relaunch the replacement hall project. This will be added to the Town Plan list of actions.

18817. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public present wished to address the Council

18818. REVIEW OF THE TOWN PLAN ACTION PLAN

The Clerk detailed the following as on-going actions that have resulted from the Town Plan

- Road & Home Safety Working Party:
 - Street audit – *Members were asked to submit their findings as soon as possible*
 - Dog fouling – *litter bins, which can be used for bagged dog mess, to be provided at each end of Meadow Brook*
 - Litter picks – *The Chairman of the Road & Home Safety Working Party to agree a date with Mr Savage*
 - 20mph speed limit zones – *Cllr Hollinghurst to report progress*
- Promoting Tring
 - Tourism – *website and logo in place, social media management commissioned. Meeting to be arranged to consider the next steps incorporating Bill Grimley's approach to High Street regeneration*
 - Retail Forum/'I Love Tring' Campaign – *a further 'Shop Talk' event in October, a retailers newsletter and 'Shop Local' at the beginning of December*
 - Job Fair – *preparations are in hand for the coming year*
- Meadow Brook – *see below*
- Pond Close play area – *preferred supplier chosen, lottery bid to be submitted, location and final equipment specification to be finalized; and community engagement to be arranged*
- Bulbourne affordable houses – *valuation report due by Friday 7th July. Dacorum Borough Council to appoint architect to carry out the feasibility design and progress the pre-application submission*
- Flowers in Church Square – *summer planting completed. The Town Warden was commended for the display*
- Community Garden – *development on-going*
- Friends of Millennium Wood – *initial meeting to be arranged*
- War Memorial restoration – *faculty received, final costings awaited*

Cllr Hearn gave an update on the work to Meadow Brook:

- He reminded Members that the ambition was to create a nature friendly wild flower meadow with a path through it rather than a managed recreation space
- Steps were in place to repair and resurface the footpath
- The path verges would be cleared
- The rubble had been removed from the site. The cleared area will be re-sown with grass and then wild flower plug plants added
- The area had been scythed-off and had revealed a surprisingly level area with good grass, a range of species and few weeds. Only minor

patching required. Cllr Grace will cut the area mechanically and repeat the process after 4/5 weeks

- Minor repairs necessary to the gate
- Trees have been planted to give cover and a 'corridor' along the canal feeder
- The lack of response from the Canal and River Trust is causing serious delays. The Clerk to write to David Gauke MP and the Chairman of the Canal and River Trust

18819. REVIEW OF THE TOWN PLAN BUDGET

The Clerk circulated the latest revision prior to the meeting.

- In addition to the litter bins at Dundale 'Green' & Grove Road opposite Bunyan Close, it was agreed to fund bins at either end of Footpath 41
- To invest in weed control machinery for the task of keeping the Town tidy

RESOLVED: To approve the budget commitments above.

The meeting ended at 9:10 p.m.

Chairman