

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN PLAN & INFRASTRUCTURE  
COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
THE MARKET HOUSE, TRING ON 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016 AT 7:30p.m.**

**Present:** Councillors: Mrs P. J. Hearn (Chairman)  
S. Hearn  
M. Hicks  
N. Hollinghurst  
Mrs R. Ransley  
H. Grace

**Also present:** Cllr Mrs O. Conway  
Cllr G. Wilkins  
Mrs D Slade, Deputy Town Clerk

**18086. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All members present

**18087. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**18088. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015**

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

**18089. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES**

- The land adjacent to Footpath 41 will need to be cleared by contractors, not volunteers. An access point for machinery has been identified. Investigations are ongoing in relation to land ownership. CRT has not cleared the watercourse.
- Tring Together have produced a leaflet "Shop in Tring" which was well received. The Shop Sunday event was not successful possibly due to poor weather conditions.

**18090. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE CHAIRMAN MAY  
DESIRE TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

None

**18091. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public present

**18092. 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 was discussed and the following points were noted:

- The street vacuum cleaner is working well to remove litter from the High Street. An explanation of DBC street cleaning in Tring was requested from the Safe, Clean and Green Team.
- Timescales for road repairs and streetlight maintenance had been received from HCC and will be circulated to members of the Road and Home Safety Working Party
- It had proved difficult to arrange a meeting with the Police but the Council would continue to liaise with the local PC.
- Contact will be made with the owner of the Silk Mill Industrial Estate to improve the signage at the entrance and to remove the A boards from the pavement area
- Councillor Hollinghurst would contact HCC regarding the proliferation of signs on the fences in London Road which impair visibility
- Work to Joe's Wood was part of a 3 phased project (Streamside Walk, Footpath 41)
- The Community Cinema was held in Nora Grace Hall and had proved quite popular. The organizer will be invited to attend the next Council meeting.
- It is hoped the [visitchilterns.co.uk](http://visitchilterns.co.uk) website will provide the platform into which the "visit tring" platform could be dovetailed. A proposed plan with costs should be available shortly.
- The Clerk was congratulated on the new Town Maps
- Councillor Grace will liaise with the Sports Forum to establish the need and provision for women's sport in Tring
- The number of empty shops in the High Street is cause for concern and recent applications have been received for change of use from shops to restaurants/cafes.
- A discussion on the need for and location of affordable housing took place

**18093. REVIEW OF THE TOWN PLAN BUDGET**

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

**RESOLVED:**

- That contractors are used to clear Streamside Walk and costs included in the budget.
- A request for funding from Tring Together for a Job Fair in Tring on 7th May was discussed. While the Council were generally supportive of the idea, it was suggested that businesses within a 10 mile radius of Tring were invited e.g. Arla, Network Rail, CRT, Forestry Commission, RAF Halton. Further liaison with Tring Together is required before a financial contribution could be decided.

**18094. TRING STATION: A NEED FOR INTEGRATED CROSS-COUNTY PLANNING**

Correspondence had been received from Aldbury and Pitstone PC relating to the lack of services at Tring Station (car park, disabled access, toilets) and the increased demand created by housing development in the area. The Committee welcomed the approach from local PC's

**RESOLVED:** to continue to work with all authorities to ensure the improvements required at Tring Station are implemented.