

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ALLOTMENTS & ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
THE MARKET HOUSE, TRING ON MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 8.30 p.m.**

Present: Councillors: Mrs O. Conway, in the Chair
Mrs P. Hearn (ex officio)
N. Nutkins
Mrs R. Ransley
G. Wilkins

Co-opted members: Mr M Minchinton (substitute for Mr I Brownell)
Mrs G Brown
Mr J. Savage

Also present: Cllr S. Hearn
Cllr M. Hicks
Mrs Dawn Slade, Deputy Town Clerk
Mr R Flanigan, Information Officer
Mr C Chambers
1 member of the public

18882. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Grace (prior engagement), Barr Kazer and Ian Brownell (ill health)

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies for the reasons given

18883. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

18884. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3rd JULY 2017

RESOLVED: To accept the Minutes as circulated

18885. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

The RSBP representative will make a presentation about “Swift towns” at the next meeting.

18886. CHAIRMAN’S COMMUNICATIONS

None received.

18887. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A representative from 1st Tring Scouts attended the meeting to seek volunteer opportunities.

18888. FRIENDS OF MILLENNIUM WOOD

Mr Colin Chambers addressed the meeting to launch the project. An initial meeting will be held in the Council Chamber on 16th October. Flyers and online adverts will be organised in conjunction with the Information Centre. It is hoped to hold 4 working parties during the winter and encourage volunteers to take part. A core group comprising the Council, the Allotment Association and Tring in Transition will lead the project. The aim will be to achieve Green Flag status within 2-3 years.

Part 1 Allotments

18889. ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT

The Deputy Clerk's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: To note the report circulated

18890. ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION'S REPORT

Mr Minchinton briefed Members on the following:

- The Summer Show was a great success and thanks were given to the Mayor, Councillor Wilkins, and Councillor Ransley for the judging the competitions
- Thanks were also expressed to local businesses for supporting the raffle
- The grass cutting has improved this year
- There have been thefts of vegetables and the Police have been informed.

Part 2 Environment

18891. TOWN WARDEN'S REPORT

The report detailing the work done by the Town Warden was circulated prior to the meeting. The Town Warden was thanked for his work and congratulated on the Church Square flower display. It was requested that the weeding machine is used at the junction of Langdon Street and Christchurch Road.

RESOLVED: To note the report circulated

18892. RIGHTS OF WAY AND P3

- (i) Mr Savage reported that signs for Footpath 41 have been ordered
- (ii) The revamped footpath leaflets were well received and thanks were extended to the Information Officers for their contribution.

18893. TRING IN TRANSITION'S REPORT

Nothing to report

18894. DACORUM ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

Minutes of meeting held on 24th August 2017 were available to those present.

18895. ANNUAL GARDEN COMPETITION

The winners are:

Tring UDC Cup: 66 Grove Road

Trevor Marwood Cup: 6 Brook Street

Coulter Cup: 77 Eight Acres

18896. ENVIRONMENTALLY-FRIENDLY FAST FOOD PACKAGING

This matter will be taken to the Dacorum Environmental Forum for consideration of a Borough wide approach.

The meeting closed at 9.16p.m.

Chairman