

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUILDINGS AND ASSETS COMMITTEE  
OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE MARKET  
HOUSE, TRING ON MONDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017 At 8.45 pm.**

**Present:** Councillors: M. Hicks (Chairman)  
J. Bowden  
Mrs O. Conway  
H. Grace (for Cllr P. Hills)  
Mrs P. Hearn (Ex Officio)  
C. Townsend  
G. Wilkins (Ex Officio)

**Also present:** Cllr S. Hearn  
Cllr N. Hollinghurst  
Cllr Mrs R. Ransley  
Mr M. Curry (Town Clerk)  
Mrs D. Slade (Deputy Clerk)

4 Members of the public

**18831. APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Hills (prior appointment) gave his apologies. Cllr Grace substituted for Cllr Hills.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the apologies for the reasons given

**18832. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr S. Hearn, who whilst present at the meeting was not sitting on the Committee, had a prejudicial interest in item 18837 as a trustee of Tring Together. He had no involvement in that item.

**18833. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE BUILDINGS & ASSETS COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>th</sup> MAY 2017**

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

**18834. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES**

None

**18835. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**18836. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public present wished to speak

**18837. TO CONSIDER A REPORT FROM TRING TOGETHER ON THE FINDINGS  
OF THE COMMUNITY RESEARCH**

Details of the research findings and subsequent conclusions drawn by Tring Together on the possible future of the Nora Grace Hall were circulated prior to the meeting.

Members thanked Tring Together for the hard work that had gone into the research.

**RESOLVED:** (i) To form a working party to develop a plan for the replacement of the Nora Grace Hall with a community facility of sufficient detail and coverage e.g. the specification, cost, finance, management and scrutiny for approval and use in sourcing external funds by March 2019

(ii) The membership of the working party will initially be four members of Tring Together (to be confirmed) and five Council members

(iii) The Clerk will develop terms of reference for the working party

**18838. TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON:**

**(i) The use of the Market Place as a temporary ice rink**

The papers sent by the Clerk to the organiser were circulated prior to the meeting. These covered the terms of the approval and the necessary steps to be taken for the event to proceed.

**(ii) The potential change of use at the Market Place**

The Clerk reported that he had not heard from Hertfordshire County Council and requested approval to begin the pre-application process to avoid further delay. Funds were included in the budget for such a purpose.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk make an application for pre-application advice from Dacorum Borough Council Planning Department

**(iii) The Pond Close Playground project**

The Clerk reported that the next phases will be consultation with the local primary school through the preferred supplier and consultation with those residing near the site. He alerted Members to possible implications arising from item 18837 for the siting of the equipment.

**18839. TO RECEIVE A REQUEST FROM COUNTY MARKET COMPANY TO EXTEND THE OPERATING HOURS OF THE FARMERS' MARKET**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the extension of operation hours to 1:00 pm

**18840. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS**

To consider a resolution in the following terms: That under section 1 of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded during the subsequent items of the agenda for this meeting, because it is likely that publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business.

**RESOLVED:** To support the resolution as given to exclude the public & press

**18841. POSSIBLE FUTURE USE OF THE COUNCIL'S HOLDINGS AT BULBOURNE**

**RESOLVED:** To note the progress made

**18842. ENQUIRY WITH REGARD TO DUCKMORE LANE GRASSKEEP**

**RESOLVED:** To decline the enquiry and to confirm the Council's policy that unless the Council has made a decision with regard to the future of a property such enquiries will be declined.

**18843. FIRST FLOOR OFFICES, MARKET HOUSE**

**RESOLVED:** To accept the service quote received subject to the terms and conditions

The meeting closed at 9:36 p.m.

Chairman