



Ross-on-Wye Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee

held on Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 7.00pm

at The Corn Exchange, High Street, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, HR9 5HL

Present: Councillors R Mayo (Chairman) N Gibbs, P Symonds and J Utting,
Ex-officio Member: Councillor V Coker
Substitute Members: Councillors A Taylor and C Utting

In attendance: Mrs S Robson – Town Clerk, Miss A Partridge – Administration and Finance Assistant
There were no members of the public present and no members of the press

A18/11#92 Apologies for Absence

Councillor H Bramer, Councillor R Gibbs and Councillor D Lister

RESOLVED – to accept apologies given

A18/11#93 Declarations of Interest

None

A18/11#94 Dispensations

None

A18/11#95 Public Participation

None

A18/11#96 To resolve to exclude members of the press and public

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the press) have been excluded as publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

No confidential items for discussion

A18/11#97 Amenities Committee Meeting - Minutes

To confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 9th October 2018.

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 9th October 2018 be signed as a correct record.

A18/11#98 Action Review Summary

To receive and review outstanding Actions Summary.

Members received an update on a number of outstanding items.

- Grounds Maintenance Contract - it was noted that a meeting will be arranged with the existing contractor with a view to discuss extending the contract
- Tree Inspection Course – details are being sought to provide training for the Amenities Manager

- Memorial Bench - awaiting quotes for the concrete pad for installation - to be reported at the next meeting
- Tree Warden – on going meetings are taking place to formalise proposals for new arboretum and confirm list of trees suitable to plant

RESOLVED – to receive and note the report.

A18/11#99 Town Clerk's Report – to receive and note update from the Town Clerk (for information only

- Flower Beds – Ross Court to take over responsibility of the flower bed at the welcome sign on Ledbury Road. Cultivation Licences to be prepared to include amending U3A's
- Long Acre – removal of the fallen tree has been arranged for next week
- Hope and Anchor Pumping Station – Welsh Water to arrange planting of Copper Beech hedge at the site
- Wye Valley AONB Board – installation taking place soon at the riverside

RESOLVED – to receive and note the report.

A18/11#100 Budget

To receive and note the current budget report for YTD figures 2018/2019

RESOLVED – to receive and note the report.

A18/11#101 Herefordshire Council – Consultation on the Operation of other Services delivered through Public Realm Services

To consider formal response to HC in relation to a spotlight review to seek a representative picture of views across the county and demonstrate to parish councils that account is being taken of their views.

Members discussed the draft Consultation and agreed to several amendments.

RESOLVED – subject to the proposed changes it was agreed to delegate authority to the Clerk in consultation with Cllr P Symonds to respond on behalf of the Council.

A18/10#102 Correspondence for consideration and response.

- i) Application for Memorial Tree at Long Acre


The Tree Warden recommended a site along Wye Street and an Acer 'Crimson King' has been selected as suitable for this location.

RESOLVED – to approve the request for a Memorial Tree at Long Acre.

- ii) Response to Committee decision relating to Grit Bins (x2)

Noted

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.45pm


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Chairman

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