

WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

10TH JUNE 2019

PRESENT: Town Mayor Cllr D A Wilkinson,
Deputy Town Mayor Cllr Mrs A B Eckersley-Fallon
and Councillors R M Brennan, M Cox, Mrs C H Kirkman, N Maher,
Miss M Maley, Miss D J McGeown, A P Morgan, Mrs J M Nicholson,
Mrs M E M O’Riordan, C Reilly, Mrs L M Reilly and Mrs A M Seddon.
Town Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members of the public.

PFGP75/2019 FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

The Chairman, Cllr N Maher, explained the Fire Safety Procedure.

PFGP76/2019 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO ACCEPT REASONS

Resolved that the following apologies for absence and reasons be accepted by the Town Council: Cllrs D J Bullock and T J Hewitt will be late due to a meeting and Miss R S M Fairhurst – Personal Commitment.

PFGP77/2019 TO READ THE NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

The Chairman, Cllr N Maher, read the notice convening the meeting.

PFGP78/2019 TO RECORD DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEM TO BE DISCUSSED

Cllr D A Wilkinson declared an interest in Agenda Item No. 6 – To Discuss Planning and Development Matters and to approve any action because he is a member of the Bolton Council Planning Committee and reserved the right to speak and vote, and to re-consider his decision at a Bolton Council Planning Committee, if additional information is presented.

Cllr N Maher declared an interest in Planning Application No. 06067/19.

Cllr Miss D J McGeown declared an interest in Agenda Item No.10 – Discussion on the approval of Daisy Hill in Bloom Items totalling £413.05 and to approve any action.

Cllr Mrs M E M O’Riordan declared an interest in Planning Application No. 06087/19

**PFGP79/2019 ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
RELATING TO TOWN COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND ITEMS WITHIN
ITS POWERS**

Cllr Speight, as a member of the public, stated that he had asked for a transcript of the statement which the Town Clerk read out at the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting on Monday, 8th April, 2019.

The Town Clerk explained that the statement had been a personal statement made two months ago, which she no longer had, but she had given him the Bolton News article on the statement.

Cllr Speight, as a member of the public, complained that the Town Clerk had been unwilling to progress with his application to attend the L.A.L.C. Spring Conference. Cllr Wilkinson referred him to the sanctions approved in minute TC71/2019 ii –

Resolved that if Cllr Speight is re-elected at any time, he will not be eligible to represent the Town Council on any outside bodies, Committees or Sub-Committees in the lifetime of the next Town Council (until May, 2023).

Cllr Wilkinson again explained how the sanctions could be rescinded:

RESCISSION OF A PREVIOUS RESOLUTION

- a) A resolution (whether affirmative or negative) of the Council shall not be reversed within 6 months except either by a special motion, the written notice whereof bears the names of at least 4 councillors of the Council, or by a motion moved in pursuance of the report or recommendation of a committee.
- b) When a special motion or any other motion moved pursuant to standing order 11(a) above has been disposed of, no similar motion may be moved within a further 6 months.

Cllr Speight, in his capacity as a member of the public, asked for an Agenda Item to invite a Fairtrade representative to a future Town Council Meeting in order to discuss Fairtrade Town. Cllr Wilkinson pointed out that Cllr Speight was trying to use Public Question Time when he should have made the request to the Town Clerk.

**PFGP80/2019 TO DISCUSS PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MATTERS
AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION**

(a) TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Town Council requested that its comments on the following Planning Applications are placed before the Bolton Council Planning Committee:

- 06097/19 The Town Council raised no objections on condition that the dirt access road is kept in good condition whilst the dwelling is under construction
- 06087/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06098/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06101/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06061/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06034/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06153/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06152/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06080/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06039/19 The Town Council raised objection to the application
- 06067/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06106/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06061/19 The Town Council raised no objections
- 06070/19 The Town Council raised no objections

(b) DISCUSSION ON PLANNING APPEALS

Nil.

(c) TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS

Resolved that the Planning Decisions, as circulated, be received and noted.

**PFGP81/2019 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING
(PLANNING AND ANNUAL MEETING CONTINUED FROM
13TH MAY, 2019) HELD ON MONDAY, 20TH MAY, 2019**

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning Meeting (Planning and Annual Meeting continued from 13th May, 2019) ,held on Monday, 20th May, 2019, as circulated, be approved.

**PFGP82/2019 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE DAISY HILL IN BLOOM
COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 4TH JUNE, 2019**

Resolved that the minutes of the Daisy Hill in Bloom Committee Meeting, held on Monday, 4th June, 2019, as circulated, be approved.

**PFGP83/2019 DISCUSSION ON THE ACTION PLAN 2019-2020 AND TO
APPROVE ANY ACTION**

Resolved that the Action Plan 2019-2020, as circulated, be approved in draft form and any Councillor requiring an addition should e-mail the Town Clerk.

The Action Plan will be approved at the Town Council Meeting on Monday, 24th June, 2019.

PFGP84/2019 DISCUSSION ON THE APPROVAL OF DAISY HILL IN BLOOM ITEMS TOTTALLING £413.05 AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

Resolved that the Town Council approve Daisy Hill in Bloom items totalling £413.05. This is in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 S144.

PFGP85/2019 TO APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR 1.5.19 – 31.5.19

Resolved that the Bank Reconciliation for 1.5.19 – 31.5.19, as circulated, be approved.

PFGP86/2019 TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Resolved that approval be given to the signing by two members and the Town Clerk of an authorisation for payment of accounts totalling £6,507.65

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| AP14 | C Morris | Re-imbusement – Stationary | 74.46 |
| AP15 | Greenfield Band | Mayoral Sunday Service | 300.00 |
| 066 | L.A.L.C. | Spring Conference | 70.00 |
| 067 | Cash | Postage | 100.00 |
| 068 | Parish Church of St Bartholomew | Charitable Donation | 2,000.00 |
| 069 | Firwood School | Charitable Donation | 1,526.19 |
| 070 | Churchill Unit – Royal Bolton Hospital | Charitable Donation | 2,000.00 |
| 071 | S Davies | DHIB Items | 15.91 |
| 072 | V Swinburne | DHIB Items | 47.73 |
| 073 | Oaklands Nursery | Plants – DHIB | 320.80 |
| 074 | J Aldred | DHIB Items | 28.61 |
| DD | Talktalk | Internet & telephone | 23.95 |
| TOTAL: | | | £ 6,507.65 |

The payments to S Davies, V Swinburne, Oaklands Nursery and J Aldred are in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 S144.

The payment to Greenfield Band is in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 S145

PFGP87/2019 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

The following correspondence was noted by the Town Council:

1. Premises Licenses (2)
2. Town Mayor's Charity Ball Account.

PFGP88/2019 DATE OF THE NEXT PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, 8th July, 2019.

The meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.

