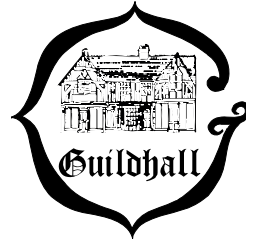


Newport (Shropshire) Town Council



MINUTES OF A MEETING

held on
Wednesday 25 October 2006
at
The Guildhall, High Street, Newport

PRESENT: Cllrs: Glyn Gratton – Town Mayor
Janette Treagust – Deputy Town Mayor
David Adams
Martyn Edwards
Irene Evans
John Evans
Brenda Flowers
George Franks
Glyn Holland
Adrian Meredith
Bob Unwin
Sally Wiggin

IN ATTENDANCE: D. L. Halliday – Town Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE there were no apologies for absence.

181/06-07 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest pertaining to the Open Session of the meeting.

182/06-07 VARIATION OF MEETING

Members **RESOLVED** to vary the meeting, the primary purpose of which was to consider the Budget 2007/08 in Closed Session, to enable two additional items to be taken in Open Session which require urgent attention.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

183/06-07 High Street 20 mph Zone

Members considered a response from the Borough of Telford & Wrekin, **attached at Appendix 'A'**, to the request that the Bus Stop Build-out adjacent to the Nat West Bank be removed.

Members raised concerns about the siting of the proposed bus waiting point to the Stafford Street Car Park adjacent to the public toilets on grounds of restricting disabled access to the facility, road safety issues for children, lack of lighting particularly in the winter months, public safety and vandalism.

It was **RESOLVED to demand of the Borough Council the removal of the Bus-Boarder in the High Street but to express support for the principal of re-locating the stop-over area, subject to due consideration of the Council's concerns.**

NB. A copy of the response, which expresses detailed comments on members' concerns is **attached at Appendix 'B'**.

186/06-07 Damaged Street Lighting Column

Members **RESOLVED to investigate the need to replace Column 249 on Granville Avenue at a total cost of £797.00 ex VAT.**

185/06-07 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

It was **RESOLVED that in view of the business about to be conducted, that is consideration of the Budget 2007/08, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and the public be temporarily excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.**

Note: Since this is the first Budget Meeting, no formal Minutes are taken. A full Report is prepared following the second meeting, for consideration in Open Session in December.

Signed

Dated

