



NEWPORT (Shropshire) TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING

held on
Wednesday 10 November 2010
at
The Guildhall, High Street, Newport

PRESENT: Cllrs: Roy Scammell – Town Mayor
Dan Ashley
Eric Carter
Tony Forrester
Glyn Gratton
Adrian Meredith
Tim Nelson
Phil Norton
Peter Scott
Bob Unwin

IN ATTENDANCE: Lee Jakeman – Town Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Stanton (work commitments), Cllr Walker (family commitment)

133/10-11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

134/10-11 SUSPENSION OF MEETING

There being no members of the public present wishing to raise questions, the meeting continued.

135/10-11 ANNOUNCEMENTS

A copy of the Town Mayor's & Deputy Mayor's engagements for October 2010 are **attached at Appendix 'A'**.

The Mayor informed members that the Town Council had been gifted a painting. The Painting had been undertaken by a client of Combat Stress, in Audley Avenue with the finishing touches having been applied by HRH, the Princess Alexandra, during her visit to the Town last week.

136/10-11 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2010 were approved as a true record.

137/10-11 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

FINANCE

138/10-11 Finance Report

The Finance Report for October 2010 **attached** at **Appendix 'B'** was approved and the payments therein ratified.

139/10-11 Bank Reconciliation

Members noted that Cllr Walker had conducted a bank reconciliation against the finance statement for September 2010.

Cllr Forrester offered to visit the Guildhall during November to carry out the reconciliation of October's bank statement.

140/10-11 Grant Applications

Members considered applications for grants detailed at **Appendix 'C'** and **RESOLVED**:

a. To award Section 137 Grants as follows:

	£	CDA*
Newport Rainbow Club	200	n
Newport Music Club	300	n
Beaumaris Singers	100	n

b. To award No Grants to Church Aston Wine Circle

c. To award Youth Grants

West Mercia Police – Crucial Crew	1200	+
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*CDA Crime and Disorder Act

n = neutral impact

+ = positive impact

d. Members also RESOLVED to transfer £200 from Sect 137 (general) to Youth Grants.

COMMUNITY SAFETY - Nil

LEISURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

141/10-11 Christmas Lighting Display

Members noted the unsigned minutes of meeting held on 15 September 2010 **attached** at **Appendix 'D'**. The Following Councillors volunteered to form a Working Group to consider future Christmas lighting provision:

Cllr Forrester
Cllr Gratton
Cllr Nelson
Cllr Scott

RESOURCES & ADMINISTRATION

142/10-11 Minutes of the Resource & Finance Committee

Members noted the unsigned minutes of a meeting held on 20 October 2010, **attached at Appendix 'E'**.

143/10-11 Review of Standing Orders

Members **RESOLVED** to **adopt the new Standing Orders which had been circulated at the previous meeting - attached at Appendix 'F' without amendment, with effect from Thursday 11 November 2010.**

144/10-11 Past Mayor & Consort Badge

Members considered the options **attached at Appendix 'G'** and **RESOLVED** to:

**Approve expenditure from balances of up to £1000
For the procurement of past mayors and a mayors consort badge.**

145/10-11 Town Council Awareness

In the absence of Cllr Walker the item was not discussed. The item will re-appear on the agenda of the next full town council meeting.

TOWN PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

146/10-11 Planning & Economic Development Committee Meeting - Minutes.

Members noted the unsigned minutes of a meeting held on 10 October 2010 – **attached at Appendix 'H'**

147/10-11 Regeneration Partnership Minutes

Members noted the minutes of the Regeneration Partnership held on 9 October 2010 – **attached at Appendix 'I'**.

Regeneration Partnership Update

Members received a verbal update following the meeting on Tuesday 9 November 2010 (minutes will be circulated in due course), primarily the High Street and Victoria Park.

148/10-11 Former Serck Audco Site

Members considered correspondence from Cllr Scott and were of the opinion the proposed housing development on Audley Avenue (by St Modwen's) should commemorate, in some fashion, the previous role of the site (Audco Factory and Gas Works).

Members requested that the Clerk write to St Modwen's to raise the issue and ask what may reasonably be done.

**ASSOCIATION / NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS
(ALC / NALC) - Nil**

EU MATTERS – Nil

NATIONAL / REGIONAL MATTERS – Nil

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL – Nil

Signed

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