

POLICY COMMITTEE
15 March 2016

Present: Councillors Campbell (Chairman), Edwards, Mellows, Nicholson, Swift, Upson, & Westmorland.

Apologies: Councillor Briggs, Draper, Jones, McIntyre & Morris.

1 member of the public was in attendance.

314 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda.

The Chairman read out the following statement. Members are referred to, and shall observe, the provisions of the Hemsworth Town Council's Code of Conduct. If a Councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest he/she must, unless a dispensation has been granted, withdraw from the meeting room and take no part in the discussion or vote. If any interest (Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary) has not been entered in the Town Council's register then you must disclose it at the meeting and inform the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the date of initial disclosure. Failure to abide by the provisions of the Code in regard to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests now amounts to a criminal offence.

No disclosures were made.

315 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 26th January 2016, as detailed in Minute Book No. 5, 2015/2016, pages 300 - 301 and as adopted by the Town Council on 9th February 2016, be received and approved.

316 REVIEW OF TOWN COUNCIL POLICY AS EMBODIED IN MINUTE BOOK No. 6 (2015/2016)

Members reviewed Minute Book No. 6 which was circulated with the agenda and no matters were raised and the minutes were moved.

317 NEW INITIATIVES AND FUNDING

The Town Clerk reported on the following.

a. CLLD (Community Led Local Development)

It was agreed that the details provided by the Clerk be noted and that the Clerk informs WMDC that the Town Council wish to be fully involved and to be part of the Local Implementation Group.

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317 NEW INITIATIVES AND FUNDING - continued

b. Hackspace

The Town Clerk provided information to members on meetings held on establishing a Hemsworth Hackspace, the use of Town Council property for this venture and possible funding streams.

Members discussed the issues and approved the suggestions made on moving forward with this initiative.

RESOLVED: That this Town Council supports the forming of Hemsworth Hackspace using Town Council facilities and the Town Clerk moves forward with implementing the project and provides regular updates to members.

c. Reaching Communities England – (Big Lottery Fund) & Premier League and the FA Facilities Fund (Football Foundation)

It was agreed that the details provided by the Clerk be noted.

d. Xplorer Programme – British Orienteering

The Clerk gave details of a meeting held with the Active Wakefield Community Development Officer on the Xplorer Programme and the request for Hemsworth Town Council to have the Water Park as one of the venues for this new initiative.

It was agreed that the information be noted and that the Council approves participating in the Xplorer programme.

e. The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations

The Clerk provided suggestions on ways the Council could celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations.

It was agreed that following detailed discussion that no further action be taken on this matter.

318 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

319 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY – STRATEGIC PLANNING STRATEGY

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

a. Contractual / Legal issues (including update re: S106 Sport Contribution)

It was agreed that the updated information provided be noted.

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319 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY – STRATEGIC PLANNING STRATEGY - continued

b. Hemsworth Market – Legal matters

It was agreed that the updated information provided be noted.

Meeting closed @ 7.25 p.m.

Tina Pattison
Town Clerk
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