

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Shildon Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

Present: Councillor P A Pemberton in the Chair  
Councillors A Walker, H Nicholson, L Cockfield, L Iddon, B Bates, L Deakin, P Quinn and S Quinn.

TC 101/16 Notice of Meeting

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

TC 102/16 Public Question Time

There were no questions from members of the public.

TC 103/16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Gordon, B Stoker, J Miller, J G Huntington and J Gash.

TC 104/16 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

TC 105/16 Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting

**Resolved** that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016 be approved.

TC 106/16 Committees

**Resolved** that the minutes of the following Committees be approved and adopted:-

- a) Service & Amenities - 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016
- b) Resources - 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016

TC 107/16 Police Report

The Chair welcomed Acting Sergeant Matthew Plumb to the meeting who informed Members that he would be covering the Shildon Neighbourhood Policing Team until a permanent replacement was found.

A/Sgt M Plumb presented details of the crime statistics for the month of December 2016. A copy of the report is attached to these Minutes.

**Resolved** that the report be received.

TC 108/16 New Shildon War Memorial, Redworth Road, Shildon, County Durham – Listed Building Status

**Signed**  
**Chairman**.....

The Town Clerk informed Members on the outcome of the assessment of the new Shildon War Memorial for Listed Building Status. Historic England have now completed the assessment of the memorial and the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport has decided to add New Shildon War Memorial to the List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest.

**Resolved** that the report be received.

TC 109/16 Royal Garden Party 2017

The Town Clerk informed Members that the County Durham Association of Local Councils had been allocated four places for the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 and requested a nomination from Shildon Town Council.

Traditionally the Town Council had nominated the Town Mayor and Consort and the Town Clerk recommended that this practice be continued.

**Resolved** that the Town Mayor and Consort be nominated to attend.

TC 110/16 NALC Larger Local Councils' Committee Good Practice Visit 2017

The Town Clerk informed Members of the National Association of Local Councils Good Practice Visit 2017.

At a meeting of the NALC Larger Councils Committee it was recommended that the 2017 Larger Local Councils' Committee good practice visit be hosted overall by Great Aycliffe Town Council and to include a short visit to Shildon.

The Town Clerk thanked Councillor P Quinn, as a member of the NALC Larger Councils' Committee, for his involvement in promoting a larger council in the North of England to host the visit.

**Recommended** that the agreement, in principle, to host a bus tour to Shildon as part of the NALC Larger Councils' Committee good practice visit in July 2017, be confirmed and approved.

TC 111/16 Budget and Precept Requirement 2017/18

**Resolved** that the Town Council sets a precept for 2017/18 of £572,890 which will result in an increase of 1.99% on the Town Council's portion of the Council Tax.

TC 112/16 Appreciations and Congratulations

**Resolved** that: the schedule of mayoral engagements be received.

**Signed**  
**Chairman**.....