

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Shildon Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 16th July 2018.

Present: Councillor P Quinn in the Chair
Councillors A Walker, H Nicholson, A Farlow, D Childs, J G Huntington, L Cockfield, D Reynolds, S Townsend, D A Anderson and S Quinn.

TC 37/18 Notice of Meeting

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

TC 38/18 Public Question Time

There were no questions from members of the public.

TC 39/18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors L Butterworth, D L Mather, L Deakin, P Walton and J Miller.

TC 40/18 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

TC 41/18 Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting

Resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 11th June 2018 be approved.

TC 42/18 Committees

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

- a) Service & Amenities - 11th June 2018
- b) Resources - 11th June 2018

TC 43/18 Police Report

Acting Sergeant Matt Plumb presented details of the crime statistics for the month of June 2018 and provided an update to Members on the Time Limited Project which had taken place in the Albion Avenue area and action taken. A discussion took place regarding the ongoing issues concerning Albion Avenue.

.A question and answer session on policing matters followed the verbal report. A copy of the crime statistics report is attached to these Minutes.

Resolved that the report be received.

TC 44/18 CDALC – Annual General Meeting Elections

The Town Clerk informed Members of a request from the County Durham Association of Local Councils to consider submitting nominations or to nominate existing post holders for positions of President and three Vice Presidents to be elected at the Annual General Meeting on 20th October 2018.

Resolved that the Town Council re-nominate existing post holders.

TC 45/18 Resignation of Councillor Matt Johnson

The Town Clerk informed Members of the resignation of Councillor Matt Johnson as a Member of Shildon Town Council and advised that a Notice of Vacancy (Sunnydale Ward) had been published with effect from 2nd July 2018.

Resolved that the information be received.

TC 46/18 General Data Protection Regulations

The Town Clerk provided Members with an update on the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) which came into effect on 25th May 2018 and informed Members that Evolve North had undertaken a gap analysis of the Town Council's current data status.

Resolved that:-

- a. the report be received.
- b. the General Privacy Notice and Staff, Councillors and Role Holders Privacy Notice be received and approved.
- c. the Data Breach Policy and Data Breach Reporting Form be approved and adopted.
- d. the Subject Access Request Policy and Subject Access Request Form be approved and adopted.

TC 47/18 County Durham Plan Preferred Options 2018

Members considered information relating to the County Durham Plan Preferred Options 2018 which was available for consultation from 22nd June until 3rd August 2018.

Resolved that the Town Council submit the following specific responses to the County Durham Plan Preferred Options 2018:-

- a) Durham County Council should reconsider land adjacent to Princess Street (7/SH/025) and allocate as housing land.
- b) Any additional housing development needs to be concentrated on infill sites within the main settlement, ie. near to the Town Centre as opposed to greenfield sites on the periphery of the boundary of Shildon.

- c) There is a proliferation of hot food takeaways in Shildon and strong concern has been expressed on the effect on eating behaviour and obesity, in particular, childhood obesity. The Town Council seeks to prohibit hot food takeaway uses within the town centre and the whole settlement of Shildon to 5% and for hot food takeaways within 400m of an existing or proposed school or college building be rejected. The Town Council believes that planning can play an important role in creating healthy and inclusive communities and calls for Durham County Council to support the Town Council to improve health and well-being in Shildon.

TC 48/18 Appreciations and Congratulations

Resolved that the schedule of mayoral engagements and announcements by the Town Mayor be received.