

Minutes of the meeting of the Service & Amenities Committee held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 17th July 2017.

Present: Councillor L Deakin in the Chair
Councillors A Walker, H Nicholson, P Walton, A Farlow, S Townsend, M P Johnson, J G Huntington, L Cockfield, D Reynolds, D A Anderson, D Childs, D L Mather and L Butterworth.

SA 17/17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors P Quinn and S Quinn.

SA 18/17 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

SA 19/17 Civic Hall Performance

The Town Clerk advised Members of the trading position for the month of June 2017 and advised that both bar and food sales exceeded the budget for the month which resulted in the net cost of the Civic Hall to be slightly more than £2k below budget.

Overall for the year to date the net cost is £13k below the budgeted net cost.

Recommended that the report be received.

SA 20/17 Civic Hall

In the absence of the Civic Hall Manager, the Town Clerk presented a report to Members and provided an update on the new Function Suite furniture and the options available for the disposal of the surplus furniture.

Recommended that:

- a. the report be received
- b. Shildon based charities and not for profit organisations be given the opportunity to offer a donation for the surplus furniture at the Shildon Civic Hall.

SA 21/17 Durham County Council: Planning Applications

Recommended that no comment be made on the following applications:-

- a. Erection of single storey side extension at 1 The Oval, Shildon submitted by Greg Cooper.
- b. Installation of pitched roof on detached garage at 17 Drybourne Avenue, Shildon submitted by Mr S Jenkin.

SA 22/17 Durham County Council: Planning Decisions

Recommended that the decisions taken since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

Signed
Chairman.....

SA 23/17 Fun4All Partnership Event

The Town Clerk provided information to Members about the Fun4All Partnership Event to be held in Hackworth Park, Shildon on 5th August 2017.

The partnership event is to be funded by Shildon Town Council with support funding and volunteer time provided by the various partners involved. The event will be facilitated and site managed by Shildon Town Council.

Recommended that Members receive the report.

SA 24/17 The Charter for Trees, Woods and People

The Town Clerk provided information to Members on the Charter for Trees, Woods and People. Led by the Woodland Trust, more than 70 organisations from across multiple sectors are working together to build a future in which trees and people stand strong together.

It was reported that the Town Council had signed up to support the Tree Charter and would facilitate the collection of signatures within the local area utilising local partners. For every person signing the Tree Charter there would be a tree planted designated as a Tree Charter Legacy Tree.

Recommended that:

- a. the report be received.
- b. the action of the Town Clerk in signing up to support the Tree Charter on behalf of the Town Council be confirmed.
- c. the Town Council lead on obtaining signatures to support the Charter at events/activities over the summer period which will enable a tree to be planted and designated as a Tree Charter Legacy Tree.

Signed
Chairman.....