

KEIGHLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Watch & Transport Committee held in the Victoria Meeting Room, Keighley Civic Centre on Monday, 4th November 2019

Present: Councillor A Ahmed, Chair
Councillor Abberton
Councillor Akhtar
Councillor Bernardini
Councillor Fletcher

Also Present: Christine Eastbury, Deputy Town Clerk
Liz Horne, Bradford MDC
Nichola Powell, Minute Taker
Ellen Bailey, Tenants & Residents Association from Hainsworth

048/2019 (WT) Fire Safety Announcement

A fire safety announcement was given at the start of the meeting and there was no fire drill scheduled to take place during the meeting.

049/2019 (WT) Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from:

- Councillor Anayat, personal reasons
- Councillor M Walker, annual leave
- Councillor Zubair, annual leave

050/2019 (WT) Declarations of Interest

RESOLVED: there were no declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and the relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 from either Members or Officers.

051/2019 (WT) Public Question Time and Participation

Mrs Bailey spoke about the K10 Bus Route in regards to the times that the Service stops running 17:57 into town and 18:10 out of town. Describes people in her community, being isolated and unable to go anywhere after the above times, which leads to expense in having to pay for a taxi, these are elderly and vulnerable people. Mrs Bailey says the response from the Bus Company is that there are no fare paying passengers on this route and that is the reason for the time limits – but the elderly community are entitled to free bus travel.

Mrs Bailey handed over a 300 plus petition from local residents to show their feelings and that the area, should due to high demand, should have some kind of Service to assist, especially over the Christmas period.

052/2019 (WT) Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on Wednesday, 16th October 2019 were unavailable, therefore, were deferred to the next meeting.

053/2019 (WT) Old College Site

Paul North was invited to the meeting, but sent this response to speak in relation to the 'Green Space on the above site.

He responded with:-

The former college site is intended for re-use as a Public Sector Hub – allowing major Public Sector organisations to relocate to premises that are designed to be suited to their future needs. The police service has already announced its intention to take the adjoining site. The “green space” is therefore of a temporary nature.

Cllr Clare Abberton said there are not enough green spaces in Keighley, and would of liked it to have being used for people to enjoy and relax.

054/2019 (WT) Police Report

Inspector Khan went through the Police Report. Redeeming Our Communities, will be coming to Keighley in March 2020, this is a Community Engagement Group, who highlight 5 things that is missing from our town, more details nearer the time.

On the crime statistic sheet it looks like the figures have greatly increased, but Inspector Khan explained that every incident is now logged that hasn't been recorded before.

055/2019 (WT) Grit Bins and Gritting

Deputy Town Clerk spoke with Paul Wasley, who grits for us. He has 15 tonnes of grit left, which will be used up after the first fill, which is due to start on the 11th November. We have 2 x new bins in storage. Paul is going to ring with a price for 20 tonnes of grit so a purchase order can be raised in the office. Cllr Claire Abberton to liaise with Paul regarding this and feedback to the next meeting.

056/2019 (WT) Traffic Calming Measures

Members discussed the traffic calming measures which were on Artic Street and Beech Cliffe. Liz Horne confirmed she had requested the appropriate department contact Councillor Abberton to discuss what measures could be put in place. To date only discussions regarding Cavendish Street had taken place, therefore, Liz Horne would request a further discussion to take place with Councillor Abberton.

Mrs Bailey requested that consideration be taken regarding installing a zebra crossing on Woodhouse Lane due to the number of parked cars which made it dangerous for the school children crossing the road. Again Liz Horne would request the appropriate department discuss the issue with Mrs Bailey.

057/2019 (WT) CCTV Cameras

The Deputy Mayor and Councillor Abberton agreed to review previous minutes to ascertain the decisions which had been agreed and bring back to the next meeting for discussion.

058/2019 (WT) Speed Cameras

Liz Horne had been in touch with the relevant department but no contact had been made to date. She agreed to chase.

059/2019 (WT) 20mph Speed Limits

A Supplementary Information sheet was distributed to members regarding Public Health Impact of 20mph Zone.

RESOLVED that the Chair would issue a letter to Toni Williams at Bradford MDC giving support from Keighley Town Council.

060/2019 (WT) Joint Transport

No updated had been received.

061/2019 (WT) Financial Statement

Members noted that no monies had been spent from the Watch & Transport budget to date, however, monies had been earmarked from 2018/19 for the installation of CCTV.

062/2019 (WT) Litter

A letter from a local resident had been received regarding the ongoing issue with litter. Liz Horne informed members that Bradford MDC were constantly working on the issue of litter working with the enforcement officers and local businesses. However, she said if there were any specific hot spots in areas that the Councillor informs her and she will look into.

Members discussed the installation of signage.

Action: members to agree specific areas for signage and forward to Liz Horne to review.

063/2019 (WT) Future Items

- Paul North re Green Space on North Street
- Police Report
- Traffic Calming Measures
- CCTV Cameras
- Fixed Speed Cameras on West Lane
- 20mph Outside Primary Schools
- Worth Valley Joint Transport Committee
- Grit Bins Update
- Financial Statement
- Resident only parking at Spring Gardens Mount, Spring Gardens Lane and High Spring Gardens Lane
- Telephone Box update
- Public Toilets in Devonshire Park

064/2019 (WT) Date of Next Committee Meeting

RESOLVED: to note that the date of the next scheduled meeting of this Committee will be Monday, 24th February 2020 at 6.00pm in the Victoria Room, Keighley Civic Centre.

There being no further issues raised the Chair closed the meeting at 19.25 and thanked all for attending.

Signed **Date**
Chair

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