

## CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**PRESENT:** Councillors

Mrs S Akers Smith  
Mrs A L Armitt  
P Bates  
R Boston  
C H Booth (Deputy Mayor and Vice Chairman)  
P Broom  
D T Brown (Town Mayor)  
G R Edwards  
G P Hayes  
Mrs S A Holland (Chairman)  
Mrs A Martin  
Mrs A E Morrison  
Mrs J D Parry  
G S Williams

**1. Apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence were received Cllrs Mrs D S Allen and L D Barker who are not members of this particular committee.

**2. Minutes of Last Meeting**

**CES/20/1617 Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

Members are requested to declare both “pecuniary” and “non pecuniary” interests as early in the meeting as they become known.

Cllrs P Bates, DT Brown and G.S Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in any matters related to Cheshire East Council.

Cllr Broom declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 13 Market Street Public Toilets

Cllr Booth declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 17 Fellowship House Luncheon Club.

#### 4. Outstanding Actions

None.

#### 5. Cheshire Police

To receive and consider a verbal report from a representative of Cheshire Police on Policing matters affecting Congleton.

Summary of points raised as follows

- Attention has been paid to school areas and particularly parking.
- Princess Street/ Market Area and Cong Park ASB. Increase in high visibility patrolling last weekend and this weekend. Operation run on 6<sup>th</sup> Oct in Cong Park. Arrests made in relation to bin fires and burglary at the Pavillion and these are being progressed. Aware multi agency meetings ongoing in relation to design and locations.
- Mystery shopper dates being progressed.
- Tour of Britain was a great success, engagement opportunity was good and well received by public.
- Community Speedwatch up and running. PCSO Shore coordinating. 90 letters have gone out.
- Some burglaries in Park lane/ Buglawton area. Mainly from sheds and outbuildings
- Some theft from motor vehicles, again reminder about securing vehicles
- Couple of arrests for burglary and 2 males in prison so this should impact on burglaries and theft from motor vehicles.
- 2 x successful drugs warrants in Brook Street and Meadow Mill.
- Scrutiny Panel 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 6pm –
- Operation Shield launch next week. Reminder about security with dark nights and Xmas coming up. There will be press releases and social media releases. Team will be doing bike marking events throughout October and combine this with security awareness. Also opportunity for home security kits (DNA Marking) and creating Op Shield zones. I can send further details re this.

#### 6. Floral Arrangement Working Group

To receive the minutes of the Floral Arrangement Working Group held on 12 August 2016.

**CES/21/1617 Resolved to** receive the minutes of the Floral Arrangement Working Group dated as above.

#### 7. PCSO Amie Gillett

Achieving Cheshire Excellence for Community Engagement

**CES/22/1617 Resolved to** receive the recommendation that the Mayor writes to congratulate PCSO Amie Gillett on her achievement.

**8. Congleton In Bloom**

To receive a report from the Town Centre and Marketing Manager regarding Membership of the In Bloom Working Group.

**CES/23/1617 Resolved to** promote the membership opportunity via Councillors, through the Partnership and the Chronicle

**9. Update on Christmas 2016**

To receive an update from the Town Centre and Marketing Manager on activity for Christmas 2016.

**CES/24/1617 Resolved to** note the report from the Town Centre and Marketing Manager,

**10. Bringing Big Data Small User Initiative**

To note the update from the Town Centre and Marketing Manager on the Big Data Small User initiative.

**CES/25/1617 Resolved to** note the report from the Town Centre and Marketing Manager.

**11. Hankinson's Field Leisure Centre**

To receive an update from the Chief Officer on the Leisure Centre and works on Hankinson's Field.

**CES/26/1617 Resolved to** receive the update from the Chief Officer.

**12. West Heath Shopping Centre Toilets**

To note the update on West Heath Shopping Centre Toilets from the Facilities and Operations Manager.

**CES/27/1617 Resolved to** receive the report from the Chief Officer and request that he arranges an appointment to meet with the owners of the shopping centre

**13. Market Street Public Toilets**

To note the update on the Marker Street Public Toilets from the Chief Officer.

**CES/28/1617 Resolved to** defer the proposal for the refurbishment of the toilets is deferred to either the 20<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2016.

**14. Congleton Gulley Cleansing**

To note the update on Gulley Cleansing in Congleton from the Facilities and Operations Manager.

**CES/29/1617 Resolved to** note the update from the Facilities and Operations Manager.

**15. Rope Walk**

To note the update on Rope Walk from the Facilities and Operations Manager.

**CES/30/1617 Resolved to** note the update from the Facilities and Operations Manager.

**16. St Peter's Church - Grounds Maintenance Update**

To note the update on St Peters Church Grounds Maintenance from the Facilities and Operations Manager.

**CES/31/1617 Resolved to** note the update from the Facilities and Operations Manager and request that a meeting is arranged with the Probationary Service to agree an alternative work plan in Congleton.

**17. Fellowship House**

To receive an update from the Chief Officer on the Fellowship House Luncheon Club.

**CES/32/1617 Resolved to** receive the update from the Chief Officer and requested that he should be aware of an additional venue that could be worth exploring. St Johns Church in Buglawton and that additional funding could be available via CEC Participatory Budgeting scheme.

**Mrs S A Holland  
(Chairman)**