CINDERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Cinderford Town Council held at The Council Chamber, Cinderford on Tuesday, 10th July 2018 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS; C. Witham (Chairman), M.M. Coborn (Vice Chair), C. Brown, T. R. Holder, Mrs J. Johnson, Mrs E.D. Martin, G.L. Morgan (8pm), Mrs L.I. Sterry, M. Turner.

Town Clerk - Mrs L.L. Thomas

APOLOGIES for Absence were received from Cllrs Ms S. Reader, R.A. Sterry, Mrs K. Turner.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded them that the meeting was being live streamed, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the Town Council, and as contained in the openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014.

There was no public participation.

43. MINUTES - EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday 7th June 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

44. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 12th June 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

45. MINUTES - EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 27th June 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

46. MINUTES OF BELLE VUE/FINANCE MEETING.

The Minutes of the Belle Vue/Finance Committee Meeting held on Monday 2nd July 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

47. MINUTES OF PLAYING FIELD MEETING.

The Minutes of the Playing Field Committee Meeting held on Monday 2nd July 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

48. MINUTES OF EVENTS MEETING.

The Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on Monday 2nd July 2018, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

49. WEED TREATMENT ON PLAYING FIELDS.

lan Pritchard from Mowtech had confirmed that an annual weed and feed treatment would improve the grass and reduces cutting times. Rank Outsiders currently pay to have Steam Mills Field treated annually, and lan confirmed the cost would be the same for the Collingwood Park Field, around £300. but the Miners Welfare Field would cost £600. to treat, all plus VAT. The Clerk had also asked about spraying the brambles where they encroach on to the footpath and he confirmed he could do this which would stop the encroachment. Currently it was too hot and dry to spray but the areas could be included into the Cinderford programme of works he has planned.

RESOLVED that the Clerk ask Ian to treat both fields, for this year only, and Members would consider again for future years.

50. TO CONSIDER PURCHASE OF MARKET STALLS.

Cllr Turner suggested the Town Council consider purchasing its own Market Stalls, which could be used for any local event or hired out. Members agreed it was a good idea and thought the Finance Committee should consider the Policy guidelines for usage and/or hire of the stalls.

RESOLVED a budget of £1,000. be allocated for the purchase of the stalls

51. CORRESPONDENCE.

- The family of the late Cllr Wilce had written thanking Council for the Memorial garden and Freedom of the Town Certificates and for all the hard work put into the memorial dedication. The Chair also thanked the Clerk for her work in organising everything.
- An invitation had been received to visit the new College at its Fresher Event on Monday 10th September, 11 am - 1 pm. Clerk to email details to all Members,
- Celebrating Forest of Dean Writers had invited Members to an event to mark the completion of the new Mural in Cinderford, featuring Leonard Clark, Winifred Foley and Harry Beddington. This would take place at Artspace on Wednesday 18th July at 4 pm.
- Wendy Jackson had forwarded an invitation from Carolyn Black of Flow Contemporary Arts to join artist Ivor Richards at the Dean Hertage Centre on Saturday 4th August at 5.30 pm to experience an exciting new audio artwork. Clerk to email details to all Members.
- FoD Cititizens Advice Burea had written to confirm its successful merger of its operations with Gloucester & District CAB, to take effect on 1st October 2018.
- FODDC had now formally adopted the Allocations Plan on 28th June 2018.
- Following a query raised by Lydney Town Council, FODDC had emailed to confirm
 that the discussions regarding Youth Activities was raised by Parish & Town
 Councils and was only facilitated by FODDC. It was not a district council initiative
 and there was no intention or power to impose this on any individual parish or
 town council. Cllr Brown confirmed that the last meeting had been hosted by
 FODDC and as Cinderford had agreed to support the project in principle, asked if
 CTC could host the next scheduled meeting in September, which everyone
 agreed to.

52. MEMBERS REPORTS.

The Chair wished to update Members on the presentation to be made to the Citizens Jury on the 31st July, regarding the new hospital location, but felt it should remain confidential at the current time and it was therefore

RESOLVED that the Report be considered to the exclusion of the Press and Public.

Report attached to Minutes for all Members.

Members were really pleased with the presentation, and thanked Cllr Witham for his work in preparing the information.

53. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Members were circulated with the figures for accounts requiring payment and it was;

RESOLVED the accounts and wages totalling the following amounts be paid; BVC/CTC - £12,098.91
BVC - £2,869.38
CTC - £6,650.23

54. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

RESOLVED the next Meeting be held on Tuesday, 11th September 2018 at 7 p.m. (following the August recess)

55. CLOSURE.

The meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.