

NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
 Minutes of a meeting held on 7th November 2017

Present	Cllr Sally Millett (Chair) Cllr Mike Kelly Cllr Robert Maitland * Cllr Jonathan Duckworth Cllr Ron Kerby (Visitor)
Minutes	Justine Hopkins (Deputy Clerk)

Apologies	Action
There were apologies from Cllr Sue Reed and Cllr Angela Norman.	
Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensations Cllr Ron Kerby has an interest in the speeder guns (he was only at this meeting to discuss this item). Cllr Jonathan Duckworth is on the Nailsworth News committee (regarding item 9-To consider the Shops & Services Directory).	
To consider a report on Nailsworth's carbon emissions by Richard Lupo The report was discussed and it was decided to invite NCAT to come to a future meeting and update NTC on what they are doing.	Deputy Clerk
To consider hire of Speedar equipment to other organisations This item was brought forward as Cllr Ron Kerby was in attendance. The report was discussed. Cllr Robert Maitland said that if we can come up with a suitable hire agreement and charge then this will help to pay towards our maintenance of the machines. Cllr Ron Kerby explained how he had received training from the police and any others using the equipment would need this too. Also users will be liable for any problems with the equipment. Option 5 was agreed (to keep the equipment at NTC offices when not in use). Option 3 was agreed and Cllr Ron Kerby and Cllr Jonathan Duckworth will work on a hire agreement. Since the meeting the Clerk has discussed this with Debbie Powell, Police Road Safety Officer, who has confirmed the equipment is free to borrow from them and she has passed this on to the Clerk of Woodchester.	RK/JD
To consider budget items for 2018-19 The circulated budget was discussed. Cllr Mike Kelly reported that he had met Andrew Middlecote from GCC about a feasibility study to talk about pedestrian priority in Market Street. He has not heard back from him but would like it in the budget. The Deputy Clerk reported that there is already an amount for this put aside. Cllr Sally Millett reported that the Dementia Friendly group are very interested in greater accessibility. It was agreed that the budget would not be increased unless there is a specific project planned for 18/19 which has already been agreed and costed. The Christmas lights budget of £6800 was questioned and the Deputy Clerk will look at the figures from the last few years and circulate. It was agreed that in January we will look at the Christmas lights, equipment needed and installation with a view to getting some new quotes.	Deputy Clerk

<p>The budget figures were then agreed.</p>	
<p>To consider current and future provision of town maps</p> <p>Cllr Mike Kelly and Cllr Sue Reed have walked around the town looking at the maps and signs and a new group has formed who have agreed to do some research and report back at a meeting they have planned in January. NTC would like a thorough report of what we are trying to achieve, what the TIC currently has, who they are for and what it needs for the future in terms of maps and publications.</p> <p>Carole de la Croix has e-mailed Cllr Mike Kelly with some details and he will forward this to the Deputy Clerk. Whilst we are awaiting a report from this group we will commission a print run of the most popular map. All agreed to recommend option 3.</p>	<p>MK</p>
<p>To receive a report on inspection of NTC's open spaces</p> <p>Members of the Environment committee have been inspecting the open space land owned by NTC and have now completed three walks.</p> <p>The report was discussed and the Deputy Clerk confirmed she has reported to Amey (County Highways) the missing way marker sign pointing into town from Shortwood.</p>	
<p>To receive an update on Bee friendly town project</p> <p>The report was discussed and Cllr Sally Millett explained the wall map that Cllr Sue Reed has made which showed the Bee lines through Nailsworth and Horsley. It has been a very successful project and a group of volunteers are beginning to form to take it over from 2019.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth queried the budget request of £350 as it may only be £200 if Horsley Parish Council have pledged £150. Deputy Clerk to check if this money has been officially requested. Cllr Duckworth also requested we put forward a recommendation 'that the community group works in parallel with Nailsworth Town Council in 2018 for them to take over from 2019'.</p> <p>*Cllr Robert Maitland left the meeting.</p>	<p>Deputy Clerk</p>
<p>To consider the future of the Shops & Services</p> <p>The report was discussed and option 1 was decided 'to stop producing the Shops & Services directory'. It was felt it would be useful to have a list of Health & Community Groups which could be put on the website.</p> <p>Cllr Jonathan Duckworth informed everyone that we are looking at a different location for the Town Meeting next year, maybe a marquee in the bus station so that we can encourage more of the public to attend.</p>	
<p>To consider proposal for disposal of the old town signs</p> <p>There are six cast aluminium town signs of varying condition which could be used to raise funds, possibly auctioned. It was decided to offer one to the Youth Club who are holding an auction at their Curry Night on Saturday 11th November.</p> <p>If this is popular we will arrange a silent auction in the February edition of Nailsworth News for three more signs with the results being announced at the Town Meeting.</p> <p>It was felt two should be kept for the archives and possible use at the Civic Centre.</p>	<p>MK</p>
<p>To consider use of TIC back room as meeting room</p>	

This was discussed but would not be suitable for any more than 4 people. It was agreed to move this to the Civic Centre Working Party.	
To receive report on SDC Tourism meeting 11/10/17 The report was noted. There is a lot of information to help us move forward in the future.	
Update on Environment Committee Action List It was agreed to e-mail this to all committee members with the draft minutes	
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